

Does Your Business or Apartment Complex Need Help with Recycling?

Rebates are available for businesses and apartment complexes to start a new recycling program! Check out WRAP, the Waste Reduction and Recycling Assistance Program.



Start-Up SERVICE Rebate

You can apply for a 50% rebate on your first six months of recycling service when you sign up for one year of recycling service (up to \$500 per applicant).

Start-Up COSTS Rebate

You can apply for a 75% rebate on your recycling program start-up costs (up to \$250 per applicant). Use this to purchase things like indoor recycling bins. Other relevant start-up costs may be approved on a case-by-case basis.

Free Expert Waste Assessments

Call 970-221-6288 to schedule a free on-site waste assessment. Expert staff will help design a new recycling program or troubleshoot a program in need of improvement.

Free Recycle Signs

We've designed great recycling guideline posters and signs to help educate residents, employees and customers about local recycling. See examples at fcgov.com/recycle or contact Caroline Mitchell for more details at 970-221-6288 or cmitchell@fcgov.com.

RECYCLE
fcgov.com/recycling

CANS, BOTTLES & GLASS

PLASTIC BOTTLES, TUBS, JUGS & JARS

CONTAINERS & CARTONS **NO THANKS!**

PAPER & CARDBOARD

City of Fort Collins

All items must be empty and clean.

Cardboard Recycling IN FORT COLLINS

Cardboard is SO recyclable, it's now banned from the trash.

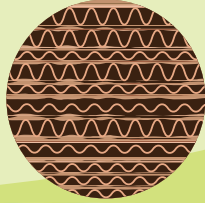
Yay! Recycle bin, here I come!



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WHAT EXACTLY IS CARDBOARD?

Cardboard is often used for packaging and is most common for shipping boxes. It can be identified by its “wavy” inner layer called corrugation.



Paperboard, on the other hand, has a single-layer construction and is used for things like cereal boxes and shoe boxes. It is recyclable, but not part of the ban.



DO I NEED TO FLATTEN MY CARDBOARD BEFORE RECYCLING IT?

Yes! Please flatten all cardboard. Tape, stickers and staples are okay to leave on the cardboard.

ARE THERE TYPES OF CARDBOARD THAT SHOULD NOT BE RECYCLED?

Please do not recycle food-contaminated or excessively dirty cardboard like greasy pizza boxes.



Wax-coated cardboard, often used to ship bulk produce, is not recyclable.

SHOULD I RECYCLE OTHER MATERIALS?

Yes! While cardboard is the only material **REQUIRED** to be recycled, we encourage you to recycle paperboard, bottles, cans and paper. A full list of recyclable materials can be found at fcgov.com/recycle or call 970-221-6600.



HOW CAN I RECYCLE MY CARDBOARD?

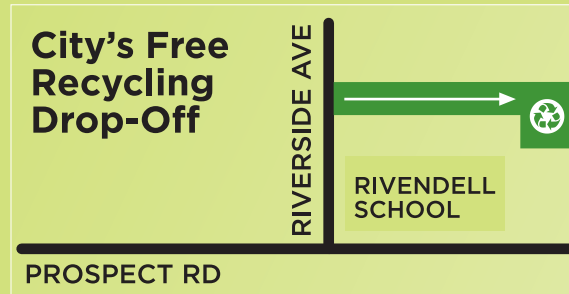
For residents, recycling is included at no charge when you purchase curbside trash service. Simply add flattened cardboard to your recycle bin.

If you own a business or apartment complex or do not pay for curbside trash service, you have two options.

1) Free, public drop-off site

Flattened cardboard is accepted at the following recycling drop-off centers for no charge:

City of Fort Collins Recycling Center
1702 Riverside Ave.
(north of Rivendell School)
Open everyday during daylight hours
fcgov.com/RecycleDropOff



Larimer County Recycling (at the Landfill)
5887 S. Taft Hill Rd.
Open Mon.-Sat. from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
co.larimer.co.us/solidwaste/recycle.htm

2) Contract with a hauler

Contact a local trash/recycling hauler to collect cardboard from your location. Cardboard can be collected separately or mixed with other recyclables.

WHAT'S THE HISTORY BEHIND BANNING CARDBOARD IN THE TRASH?

In March 2013, Fort Collins City Council passed an ordinance banning the disposal of cardboard in the waste stream. Trash containers may not be more than 25% full of cardboard, by volume.

Cardboard can be recycled or reused, but not put in the trash.

IS EVERYONE IN FORT COLLINS AFFECTED BY THE CARDBOARD BAN?

Yes. Any cardboard generator in city limits is included in this ban: residents, businesses, apartment complexes, construction sites and events.

I OWN A BUSINESS OR APARTMENT COMPLEX AND PAY FOR TRASH TO BE HAULED AWAY. WILL MY TRASH BILL GO UP?

In fact, you may even save money. Once cardboard (and other recyclables) are not going in the trash bin, you may be able to downsize your trash dumpster or decrease its service frequency.

HOW CAN THE CITY HELP ME START RECYCLING?

Free on-site assistance and rebates are available to get you started. See details on the other side.

