

RECYCLING TIPS and FAQ

➤ No Need to Rinse! Containers do not need to be rinsed clean. They only need to be empty.



➤ If it's a container made of plastic, glass, or metal and it's 5 gallons or less, recycle it! (Keep Lids on. NO STYROFOAM)



➤ Do not put recyclables in plastic bags – put items loose directly into the recycling container (except shredded paper – see below)



➤ Shredded paper CAN be recycled if it is placed in a paper bag first. Otherwise the small pieces fall through the system or contaminate other commodity streams.



➤ If it's paper, cardboard, or anything in between, it's recyclable!



➤ Recycle those pizza boxes – even with a bit of grease, sauce or cheese.



➤ Plastic bags are detrimental to the single screen process – mucking up the equipment or getting mixed into commodity streams.

➤ Plastic bags, dry cleaning bags, newspaper sleeves, bubble wrap, bread bags, case overwrap, produce bags, etc. can all be recycled anywhere that recycles plastic bags!



Recycling Saves University City \$\$\$

Unfortunately too many recyclables are thrown in the trash causing the City to pay the landfill instead of improving the City. Increasing residential recycling by just 20% would save the City \$100,000 every year for improvement projects.