

Kelso's Recycling History

Kelso's drop-site recycling program began in 1993. The goal of the program is to make available recycling sites that are easy to access and offer a full array of recycling opportunities. Residents are encouraged to participate in the recycling effort through the simple process of visiting the recycling drop-site(s) and depositing their household recyclable material into the appropriate container(s). The process is easy and the results are impressive. On average, the Kelso recycling drop-site program recovers almost 1 million pounds of recycled material each year!

Kelso is a great place to live, let's continue to make our city a frontrunner in community involvement and environmental concern. Your participation is making a difference.

Frequently asked Questions

"What do I do with old paint, pesticides, chemicals, syringes* and batteries?"
Waste Control accepts household hazardous waste at HazWaste Facility (Bldg A) 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Tuesdays and Saturdays. No fee, no appointment necessary.

"Why doesn't Kelso offer curbside Recycling?"
Curbside recycling is a more convenient method for recycling, but it is more expensive and would require an increased monthly recycling fee.

"Who do I call if I have any garbage or recycling questions or concerns?"

**Recycling Hotline Number is
(360) 423-0900**

*Syringes must be in a sealed, clear plastic container. You may visit wastecontrolrecycling.com for more information

Site Locations



This Location Closed.
New Location TBD
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Drop Site Recycling



Drop-Site Recycling

Mixed Paper/Newspaper:

No need to remove labels.

Includes junk mail, magazines, colored paper, cereal boxes, shoe boxes and other similar packaging.



Envelopes with plastic windows are acceptable.

Magazines -

No need to remove labels.
Do not bundle with string.

Newspaper -

Do not bundle with string.
Please remove and recycle kraft bags as cardboard



Cardboard:

Break down boxes to save space.



Aluminum Cans:

Flatten to save room.

Clean foil also recycles.



Tin Cans:

Rinse and flatten to save room. Labels can be recycled with mixed paper.



Glass:

Clear, green and brown glass.

Please no window or auto glass, **DO NOT DEPOSIT BAGS OR BOXES** into

the "Glass Only" recycling container.



Oil & Antifreeze:

Bring your oil, antifreeze and used oil filters to the East drop site.



The Recycling Loop

1. Recycling

Capturing recyclable material is easy if it begins at home. Through the simple process of identifying and separating out paper, glass, tin and aluminum cans, you have started the first phase needed to close the recycling loop.

2. Transportation to Drop Site Recycling Bins

Make regular trips to one of our three conveniently located recycling drop-sites and separate your recycling material into the proper recycling bin. The bins are clearly marked for easy identification.

3. Transportation to Processor

After separation, recycled materials are routed to processors for conversion into reusable material.

4. New Product

Once processed the recycled material is used to create new items. Old cans become new airplanes, and yesterday's newspaper becomes today's headlines.



Plastics: At this time, Waste Control is *not* accepting plastics.