# WE'RE ON A Township of Hamilton, say hello to your new recycling cart!

These new recycling carts make it easier for you to recycle more. They roll easily to the curb, they provide more capacity for recyclables, and they reduce litter by protecting your materials from the elements. The more we recycle these valuable materials, instead of putting them in the trash and sending them to landfill, the more money we save on trash-disposal fees, and the more feedstock we provide to manufacturers to use in the creation of the products and packaging we buy and use every day. Everyone wins when recycling with carts.

You are receiving this recycling cart thanks in part to an important relationship between the Township of Hamilton, the Atlantic County Utilities Authority (ACUA) and The Recycling Partnership, a nonprofit organization utilizing public-private partnerships to transform recycling across America. Our community was selected to receive grant support because of our longstanding dedication to advancing recycling.

We know that recycling is fundamental to a healthy environment and economy. When we all recycle as much as we can, jobs are created, our environment is protected, and communities thrive.

Thank you, Township of Hamilton residents, for making the most of this cart by recycling.



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To learn more, call **609.272.6950** or visit **www.acua.com** 

# WE'RE ON A ROLL

## **TOWNSHIP OF HAMILTON, MEET YOUR NEW CART!**

No more bending or lifting—your new cart will have wheels for easy maneuvering and a lid to keep things tidy and dry. The extra space will make recycling easier and provide more room for storage—a true winwin for residents.

### ARE THERE CHANGES TO THE COLLECTION SCHEDULE?

There will be no changes to the current biweekly recycling schedule for most residents living in the Township of Hamilton. Residents living in Evergreen, Oakcrest Estates or Woodlands Condominiums will change from weekly to a biweekly collection.

### DO I STILL NEED TO SEPARATE MY TRASH AND RECYCLING?

Yes, the recycling still needs to be separated from the trash. However, the recycling program is single stream, meaning all accepted recyclable materials can be placed together in the same recycling cart.

### WHAT MATERIALS CAN I PUT IN THE RECYCLING CART?

The items collected for recycling at curbside remains the same. Here is what we collect in the recycling carts:

- Plastic bottles and containers with numbers 1, 2 and 5 on the bottom.
- Aluminum and steel cans
- Glass bottles and jars
- Cardboard (empty & flattened)
- Newspaper, junk mail, mixed paper—all colors and types

### WHEN DO I START USING THE NEW CARTS?

The new carts are designed for the automated trucks that will begin collection the week of November 11.

# I AM A SENIOR, OR SOMEONE WHO CANNOT MANEUVER THE LARGER CART, CAN I GET A SMALLER ONE?

The 96-Gallon cart is the only size offered at this time.

# I ONLY HAVE A SINGLE BAG OF TRASH; DO I HAVE TO PUT IT IN THE SPECIAL CART OR CAN I JUST PUT IT AT THE CURB?

All trash and recycling MUST be placed in the designated carts. The truck will only pick up trash and recycling placed in the specially designed carts.

# SHOULD I BAG ANY OF THE RECYCLING BEFORE PLACING IT IN THE RECYCLING CART?

No, all recycling material should be placed together loosely in the cart. Plastic bags and film should never go in the recycling cart and instead can be taken to your local participating retail or grocery stores for recycling drop off.

# WILL MY CART BE PICKED UP IF IT IS OVERFLOWING, IF I PLACE A BAG ON TOP OF THE LID, OR IF I CAN'T CLOSE THE LID ALL THE WAY?

Excess material will not be picked up. All material MUST be placed within the carts and the lid must be closed. Any material not in the cart will not be picked up. Material not collected will be the responsibility of the resident to recycle or dispose of properly.

# WHAT DO I DO WITH THE OLD RECYCLING BINS I HAVE NOW THAT WILL NO LONGER BE USED?

Additional recycling carts will continue to be picked up at no added cost. Residents may no longer use buckets for recycling. We recommend residents repurpose or keep their current recycling bins for other purposes. If you still wish to dispose of an old container, please bring them to the Hamilton Township Public Works Facility located at 5500 Atlantic Avenue on the first Saturday of the month from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

### WHAT IF MY CART IS STOLEN OR DAMAGED?

If your cart is lost or stolen, a police report must be filed. Please call Township of Hamilton Public Works Department for instructions at 609-625-6311 or publicworks@hamiltonatlnj.gov.

### I AM MOVING CAN I TAKE THE CARTS WITH ME?

No, the carts are assigned to the property address not the resident. They should remain on the property. However, if you purchased a recycling cart directly from the ACUA that cart is still your personal property.

### **CAN I WRITE MY NAME ON THE CARTS?**

No, the carts are assigned to the property address not the resident. Each cart has a specially marked barcode that is linked to the individual address.

**For additional cart questions**, please contact Township of Hamilton Public Works Department at **609-625-6311** or **publicworks@hamiltonatlnj.gov**.

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