

### RECYCLING GUIDE

Recycle Better, Recycle Right in Moreland Hills

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### **CURBSIDE RECYCLING PROGRAM**

The Village Service Department is committed to providing cost effective and environmentally sound services to the residents.

The Village offers fully automated <u>Recycling</u> services. Recyclables are picked up **every week**, on your normal rubbish collection day (check the Village website for the pick-up schedule).

The following items are acceptable in our curbside program:



CANS Empty & Rinse



CARTONS Empty & Rinse Replace Cap



PAPER & BOXES
Flatten Cardboard



GLASS Empty & Rinse



<u>& JUGS\*</u>
Empty & Rinse.
Replace Cap
\*Only those with
a neck and a cap
are acceptable

### ...What about Plastic?

The following plastic items **CAN** be included in your curbside recycling cart:



### **Bottles & Jugs**

Plastic water, soda, & beverage, shampoo, mouthwash, & other bottles over 2"wide. Plastic milk, water, juice, & laundry Detergent. Anything with a neck and a cap are acceptable— no plastic tubs.

The following plastic items **CANNOT** be included in your curbside recycling cart:



### **Bags & Film**

Plastic grocery & shopping bags, bread & sandwich bags, plastic wrap, bubble wrap



### **Durables**

Plastic toys, furniture, buckets, hangers, flower pots



### **Cups, Plates, & Utensils**

Plastic and Styrofoam cups, Solo cups, straws, plates & utensils

### **Take-Out Containers & Styrofoam**





Plastic & Styrofoam fast food containers, lids, and berry & lettuce clamshell containers.

Styrofoam cups, egg cartons, molded packaging, packing peanuts, and bakery, meat, & produce trays

**REMEMBER**: The Recycling Number is no longer a factor to determine whether something can be recycled or not. DO NOT PAY ATTENTION TO THE NUMBERS.

Plastic tubs such as butter, fruit/yogurt cups, sour cream, cottage cheese, etc., that have a wide opening and no neck, **CANNOT BE ACCEPTED.** 

### VILLAGE PROGRAMS HELP YOU REDUCE, REUSE, AND RECYCLE

**Yard Waste** such as leaves and grass clippings (in compostable bags) are picked-up every **Monday.** Residents must call the Service Department to schedule a pick-up the week prior.

**Special Pick-Ups** of bulky or large items that do not fit in your rubbish cart, are collected by appointment only, every **Monday**. Each resident receives two (2) free pick-ups per year. **Three additional special service pick-ups per year are allowed for a fee of fifty dollars (\$50.00) each.** The charge must be paid prior to the pick-up. Please call the Service Department to schedule a pick-up no later than the Friday before.

Chipping Program is offered on the third full week of each month, April through October. Only woody materials will be chipped - please do not include metal wire or trash. This service is free of charge for the first 15 minutes; any additional time will be charged at a rate of \$30.00 for each 15 minutes over the allotted time. Place materials (cut in 4 ft. lengths, stacked in one direction & separated into manageable piles) at the curb the Sunday prior to the week of chipping. Check the website and our Facebook page for the dates.



**Cardboard Drop-Off** - Drop-offs can be made during or after business hours at our drop-off location on the Village Campus. Cardboard MUST be broken down and flattened.



**Scrap Metal** can be dropped-off on the ground in front of the scrap metal dumpster on the Village Campus. The Service Department will then place the appropriate metal into the dumpster. PROPANE TANKS CANNOT BE DROPPED OFF.



**Simple Recycling** services are offered to our residents, free of charge. Pick-ups of soft recyclables and small household items can be scheduled by calling 1-866-835-5068 or by visiting www.simplerecycling.com.

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### The following items can be dropped off at the Service Facility, Monday through Friday, from 7:00am-3:00pm:

Computers



Household Hazardous Waste



Lead Acid (car) Batteries





The Service Department accepts <u>Oil-Based</u>

<u>Paint ONLY! Latex Paint</u> is not a hazardous waste and will <u>NOT</u> be accepted. It must
be dried out and put with your rubbish. Kitty
litter can be used to dry it out or paint hardening products which can be purchased at your
local hardware store.

### Additional Drop-Off Items



The **Rx Drug Drop Box** is located in the **Police Department Lobby**; You can bring your unused, unwanted, or expired prescription medication to our secure drop box, Monday through Friday, 8:00am-4:30pm.



Our Service Department has a **Scrap Tire Drop-Off** once a year, for a two-week period in the Fall. Residents can bring old tires to the Service Facility Monday through Friday, from 7:00am to 3:00pm. Check the Village website for current dates.

### **GREENING THE HILLS**

The Village holds this event twice a year. Check the Village website, Facebook page, and look for a flyer advertising the event dates each year. This event provides residents the ability to properly dispose of the following items:



The Service Department also sponsors a food drive and accepts donations to Goodwill at this event.



Bring gently-used clothing and/or household items to donate to Goodwill. Please note: baby items (strollers, car seats, etc.) will not be accepted.



Bring non-perishable food items to be donated to the Cleveland Food Bank.

### OTHER RECYCLING OPTIONS



**T.V.'s**: Best Buy stores will recycle tube TVs (up to 32"), flat panel TVs (LCD, plasma, LED, smaller than 50") and portable TVs for a \$25 fee per item. <a href="https://www.bestbuy.com/recycling">www.bestbuy.com/recycling</a>



**Light Bulbs**: The Village can no longer accept any type of light bulbs. CFL bulbs (small, twisty bulbs) can be recycled for free at some Lowe's and Home Depot retail locations; check with your local store first. Batteries+Bulbs locations will take 4 ft. fluorescent tubes.



**Plastic Bags:** Many retail locations have a collection box at the entrance of the store or at customer service. For more information and/or a listing of the stores, visit <a href="https://www.cuyahogarecycles.org/plastic">www.cuyahogarecycles.org/plastic</a> bags



**Construction Material:** Your contractor should haul any material or debris away for you. If not, you can dispose of it at local private facilities. <a href="www.cuyahogarecycles.org/construction debris facilities">www.cuyahogarecycles.org/construction debris facilities</a> for a listing of those facilities

Visit <a href="www.cuyahogarecycles.org">www.cuyahogarecycles.org</a> and use their "What Do I Do With\_\_\_\_\_?" feature at the top of the page for information on how to recycle or dispose of other items not accepted in our curbside program or at one of our drop-offs.

### HOW TO KEEP YOUR RECYCLING OUT OF THE LANDFILL

Good intentions or "wish-cycling" is causing people to put things in the recycling cart that **CANNOT be recycled**.

Some of those items are not recyclable and other items are snarling recycling equipment or contaminating things that could be recycled. This is causing a quarter of recyclable items to be dumped into the landfill.

One of the most important things you can do, is to **RINSE** your items and **REPLACE SMALL CAPS** before putting them into your recycle cart. Rinsing away food, bleach, soap, or shampoo is a key step in making sure that your recyclables are not thrown in the trash!

Another problem that recyclers have is **<u>cardboard</u>**. Pizza boxes soaked with grease are harder to recycle and less valuable to recyclers.

Follow the guidelines in this booklet and online at www.CuyahogaRecycles.org to help you determine the proper way to recycle.

WHEN IN DOUBT, IT IS ALWAYS BETTER TO ERR ON THE SIDE OF CAUTION AND <u>LEAVE THE ITEM OUT OF YOUR RECYCLE CART</u>, SO AS NOT TO CONTAMINATE ITEMS THAT COULD BE RECYCLED!

Wanting to recycle to reduce the amount of waste sent to the landfill is great, but not all items can be placed in your curbside recycling cart. Also, items that CAN be recycled need to be clean of food, soap, and other contaminants to make sure that it has the best chance of being recycled.

### **LANDFILL ITEMS**

Unfortunately, **not everything** can be recycled. In fact, by including some of these items in your curbside recycling, they can actually jam sorting machinery by wrapping around the equipment discs and wheels. This creates problems and can shut down an entire Materials Recovery Facilities (MRFs) or recycling plant that sorts recyclables.

### PUT THESE ITEMS IN THE <u>TRASH</u>; DO NOT PUT THEM IN YOUR CURBSIDE RECYCLING:



Styrofoam & Take-Out Containers



Hoses & Ropes



**Durable Plastic** 



Cups, Lids, & Utensils



**Broken Ceramics** 

### **COMPOSTING**



Composting is a great way to keep organic material out of landfills. If you want to make your own backyard compost pile, you will first need the following supplies:

- Bin or outdoor area in which to compost
- Aeration tool such as a pitch fork or compost aerator
- Kitchen compost container
- Organic material such as yard waste, food scraps, and shredded paper

### OPTIONAL:

- Thermometer
- An activator, which helps the compost process start more quickly and efficiently

Locate your compost bin or pile in a level, well drained area. When built properly, bacteria, fungi, insects, and worms will move into your pile and decompose your organic matter.

The following conditions are needed to keep a compost pile actively composting:

- A ratio of 2 parts high carbon or "brown" materials (e.g. dead leaves, straw, shredded paper) to 1 part high nitrogen or "green" materials (e.g. food scraps, coffee grounds, grass clippings).
- Moisture—make sure the pile is about as wet as a well wrung-out sponge. Not too wet, not too dry.
- Oxygen—about every two weeks, turn or mix the pile to introduce oxygen.

There are many benefits to creating your own compost pile. If you are interested in additional information about how to create and maintain a backyard compost pile, the Cuyahoga County Solid Waste District has information on their website. You can purchase a compost bin from them as well.

www.cuyahogarecycles.org/composting and yard waste

### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

### **Building Department**

- 440-248-1188
- building@morelandhills.com
- 8:00am-4:30pm

### Mayor's Office

- 440-248-1188
- villagehall@morelandhills.com
- 8:00am-4:30pm

### Service Department

- 440-248-1188
- service@morelandhills.com
- 7:00am-3:30pm

Call or e-mail the Service Department if you have any questions about the services they provide or if you would like to schedule a Special Pick-up or Yard Waste Pickup.

If you need an additional recycle cart, they can be obtained from the Service Department, free of charge. There are two sizes to choose from; 65 gallon and 95 gallon. The Service Department also sells additional rubbish carts:

65 gallon—\$75.00 95 gallon—\$80.00

### Finance Department

- 440-248-1188
- finance@morelandhills.com
- 8:00am-4:30pm

### Police Department

- 440-248-7585—Non-Emergency
- 440-247-7321—Dispatch Non-Emergency

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Call the Cuyahoga County
Solid Waste District at
216-443-3749 or
visit them at
www.cuyahogarecycles.org
with any recycling questions
you may have.

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