

News Release

The City of Sidney obtained a grant from the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency to conduct a direct engagement education and outreach campaign for the City’s curbside recycling program. The campaign will run from June 6 – July 29, 2022. The purpose of the campaign is to educate residents, that place recyclables at the curb, on how they are complying with the rules of the program. The “OOPS” card depicted here will be placed on any recycle cart that contains materials that are not accepted in the City’s curbside recycling program.

A survey crew will be inspecting each recycle cart placed at the curb to determine if unacceptable materials are contained in the cart. The OOPS card will indicate what materials or conditions were observed that warranted the cart being tagged. Survey crews will not remove any materials from the carts nor will they directly touch any materials. They may use a tool to inspect the carts visually.

The success of the campaign will be measured by conducting an audit of recyclables prior to the campaign and then afterwards to see if less contamination (unacceptable materials) has been reduced.

The City is working with Ohio EPA, the NCO Solid Waste District, Republic Services (City’s hauler), JAS Environmental (consultant) and Resource Recycling Systems (consultant) to conduct the campaign. The City has hired two local college interns as the survey crew who will be based out of the Shelby County Recycling Center on Riverside Road. The survey crew will be in a marked white pick-up truck provided by the NCO Solid Waste District, which will be marked “Survey Crew”. The City accepts the following materials in its curbside recycling program only:

- Paper (newspaper, magazines, catalogs, paperboard)
- Cardboard (Must be flattened and no larger than 2’x2’)
- Plastic bottles/jugs (#1 and #2)
- Glass food jars/bottles (food and beverage ONLY)
- Metal cans



PLEASE LEAVE THESE ITEMS OUT!

<p>Do Not Bag Recyclables and no garbage</p>	<p>No Plastic Bags (return to retail)</p>
<p>No Non-recyclable Fibers no tissues, napkins, paper towels, food contaminated fibers, paper cups/coffee cups, paper plates)</p>	<p>No Non-recyclable Plastics (no rigid plastics (cat litter buckets, toys), #3-#7 (yogurt cups, butter tubs, drinking cups, disposable containers, plastic utensils, straws, Styrofoam)</p>
<p>No Tangles (no hoses, wires, chains, electronics, clothing, textiles)</p>	<p>No Food or Liquid (empty all containers)</p>
<p>No Big Materials (no construction debris, furniture, appliances, automotive parts, pallets)</p>	<p>No Garbage (no diapers, dead animals, yard waste, cartons, household hazardous waste, other materials not accepted by Marysville’s recycling program)</p>