

NO BAGGED RECYCLABLES

- Plastic bags not allowed in recycling dumpsters/carts
- ► Keep Food and Liquids out of Recycling
 - ► Empty bottles, cans, cartons
- Avoid hauler contamination fees





Recyclables



Cords. Hoses

or Plastic Wrap



No Food

or Liquids



No Batteries

BREAKFAST IN THE CLASSROOM

Don't Forget Liquids Collection <u>Pouraway Liquid Recycling Systems</u>







DO I USE PLASTIC BAGS AS LINERS IN SCHOOL RECYCLING CONTAINERS?

- Option 1: Don't use plastic bags in recycling containers
- Option 2: Only use plastic bags in high-use areas where liquids are an issue
- Option 3: Use plastic bags in all recycling containers.



RECYCLING COLLECTION







RECYCLING PROCESS WITHOUT PLASTIC BAGS

Consolidate smaller

recycling containers

liner-free container.

into a larger,







Double check recycling bin to make sure it's free from contaminants; no plastic bags or liners and all recyclables are loose in the bin.



- Collect recycling and trash separately with a tandem dolly
 - Don't tie recycling bags if used for collection
- Dump contents loose into collection container, keep the liner
 - Change bags only when dirty-place in trash
- Dump recycling loose into the dumpster
 - Dispose of liner after use

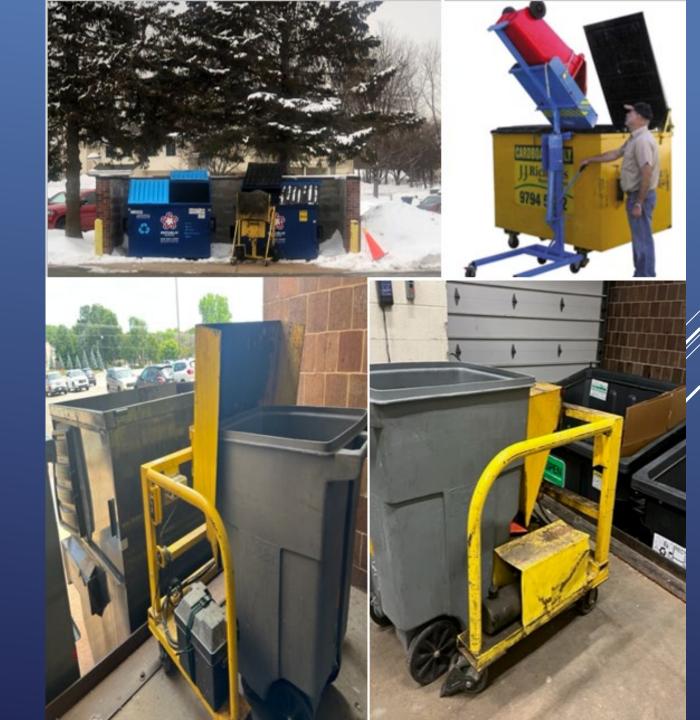
DUMPSTER LIDS

- Dumpster Prop Tool
- Assisted dumpster lids may be available from your hauler



CART LIFTERS

- ► Hydraulic Bin Lifter (Toter)
 - ► <u>How it Works</u>
 - ► <u>Options</u>
 - ► <u>Webpage</u>



MORE CART LIFTERS

► Eagle Lift

- ► <u>How it Works</u>
- ► <u>Testimonial</u>
- ► <u>Webpage</u>



BARREL WASHING SYSTEMS

Drumbeaters of America

Can Washer Model TCW-100

- 120 V outlet and source of water
- Other models available







CONSIDER USING MESH BAGS

- ► <u>32" x 36" Mesh Bags</u>
- Plastic Bags State Contract
 - Look for recycled content (e.g., Revolution Bag)





MESH BAGS GET RID OF RESIDUAL MILK. LESS MILK INSIDE THE RECYCLING BIN = BETTER QUALITY CARTONS FOR THE HAULER



CHALLENGES

- ► Logistics
 - ► New processes
 - ► Staff time
- Litter (e.g., items blowing out of recycling dumpster)





- Dakota County Ordinance 110 15.02 F: "The licensee shall take reasonable care to protect the property of customers being served. The licensee shall be responsible for any damage or spillage of solid waste as a result of the licensee or the licensee's employees or agent's action(s)".
- Ensure lids are closed and not overflowing
- Liquids
 - ► Odor





OPPORTUNITIES

Save money on bags

- Reduce hauler contamination fees
- Ergonomic improvements for staff
- Reducing the amount of waste created
- Improve hauler contract language
- Help recycling markets stay strong
- Container maintenance
 - Options for cleaning dirty containers
 - Replacement of broken containers

QUESTIONS?

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