

THE BOTTOM LINE

Kirkland businesses may recycle traditional items (cardboard, paper, glass bottles/jars, plastic bottles/jugs, steel cans, aluminum cans) and recycle food scraps for free as part of your garbage service with Waste Management!

Recycling dumpsters up to 150% the volume of your current garbage dumpster are available at no additional cost. For example, if your business has a 4-yard garbage dumpster, you are eligible to receive up to a 6-yard recycling container at no additional charge!



Current Garbage Service - No Recycling
\$240/month

If your business has NO recycling- a 6-yard garbage dumpster costs roughly \$240/month.

Reduce your garbage to a 3 yard dumpster and add a 4 yard recycling dumpster at no additional cost. A 3 yard garbage dumpster costs roughly \$150/month. This is a savings of approximately \$90 each month or \$1,080 per year!*



New Garbage Service and Recycling \$150/month

The bottom line: Increasing recycling can reduce your monthly garbage collection costs. To start or increase recycling services, please call the City at (425) 587-3878.

**Actual savings may vary.*



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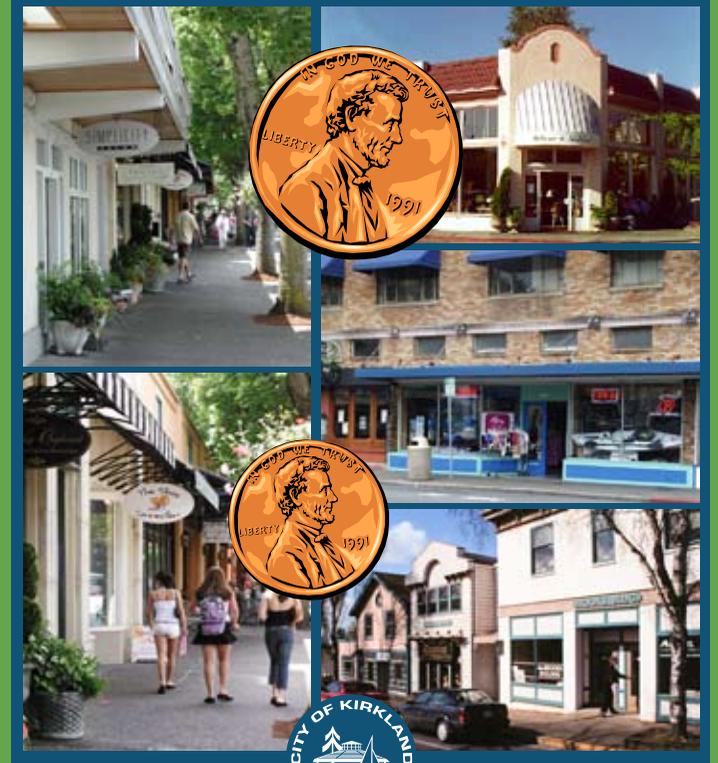
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Is Your Business Throwing Money Away?



Recycling is good business.

Keep garbage costs down by getting the most out of your Solid Waste and Recycling Services.



BUSINESS RECYCLING PROGRAM

HOW DOES YOUR BUSINESS SCORE AT RECYCLING?

1. Do all of your employees recycle the following items: glass bottles & jars, plastic bottles, jugs and dairy tubs, paper, cardboard, aluminum cans, steel cans?

yes no

2. Are all recycling containers labeled with the items that can be recycled?

yes no

3. Are recycling containers located near all indoor garbage cans?

yes no

4. Is your recycling dumpster larger than your garbage dumpster?

yes no

If you answered "no" to any of these questions, call (425) 587-3878 to have a recycling specialist visit your business for free and help your business improve recycling and save money.



RECYCLING TOOLS

Free recycling tools and assistance are offered by the City of Kirkland:

- Deskside recycling containers**
- "Recycle Here!" labels** that list what can be recycled in deskside containers.
- On-site assistance with improving or starting a program.**
 - Free, on-site waste assessments
 - On-site staff training or presentations

Call (425) 587-3812 for more information.

There is no additional charge for commercial recycling services. Removing recyclable materials from your garbage container decreases the volume of trash to keep your costs low.

Your business can get a recycling container up to 1 ½ times the size of your trash container. If your recycling container is currently smaller than your garbage container— you could save money by changing the size of your containers.



COMMERCIAL ORGANICS

Businesses are eligible to receive up to two 64 gallon organics carts that are picked up twice a week for no additional cost.

Materials accepted include meat, dairy, vegetables, fruit and food soiled paper. This material is sent to Cedar Grove Composting where it is turned into high quality soil amendments.



Waste Reduction Tips

Reducing your waste means that you use less (and therefore spend less), get more out of what is used, and reuse or recycle any unavoidable waste (reducing garbage costs). Saving resources and cutting down on waste makes business sense.

- Use email and electronic communication to share documents and ideas.
- Make double sided copies to reduce paper waste by 50%.
- Use durable, concentrated, reusable, recycled-content, and recyclable products.

Get the recognition your business deserves. Register today at: www.ci.kirkland.wa.us/greenbusiness

