

FAQ - Community Recycling Depot

Where is the Depot?

The community recycling depot is located on the Southside of the former Co-op property, and can be accessed most easily during the winter months at Kalum Street.

What is accepted?

Currently we accept mixed plastics, mixed paper, mixed cardboard, organics (food scraps and yard waste) as well as all household metals. For a full list of materials see [here](#).

Currently we cannot accept glass. In addition, Styrofoam cannot be recycled.

Why is glass not accepted?

There is currently no market for recycled glass and therefore Do Your Part, who is doing the processing of the recycled materials, cannot accept it. We are trying to come up with a local solution to this issue, so please stay posted.

Is this a permanent depot?

This is a 6-month pilot project which may continue to operate and expand if it is deemed successful. To date the response has been overwhelmingly positive, however, the final decision will be made by City Council, when the pilot project comes to an end in May, 2012.

When is the bin emptied?

We have increased the number of times the bin is emptied to 3times/week. We are currently emptying the bin Monday, Wednesday and Friday, between ~ 9:30am-10:30am. If needed, we will add an additional pickup day. We appreciate your patience if you arrive at the bin and it is full, or it is being emptied, please come back and try again as opposed to leaving your material. We currently only have one bin so cannot leave a spare when the bin is being emptied.

The bin is full, what should I do?

We are trying to keep a close eye on the bin, but if you arrive and the bin is full or even close to being full please contact Geier Waste Services @ 250-638-1100.

Do I have to take the paper off my tin cans?

No, you can leave the paper on. Our apologies for any confusion that may have been caused by our original signage related to this material.

Where does the recycling go?

The recycling is transported to [Do Your Part](#) in Thornhill, where it is further sorted, baled and then sent to markets (buyers) in Prince George and beyond.

Do tetra packs go in plastic or cardboard?

Tetra packs are separated out from plastic and cardboard, so it does not matter which compartment they go in. Please just ensure they are washed out.

When is the Depot open?

The depot can be accessed 24 hours a day if desired and is lit for evening use.

Are businesses allowed to use the bin?

Unfortunately this pilot project is targeted at residential users, as businesses in Terrace do not pay taxes for garbage disposal. Please contact [Do Your Part](#) directly to arrange business recycling. We appreciate your cooperation in this.

I have further questions or suggestions to improve the depot – who do I contact?

Please contact Tara Irwin, Sustainability Coordinator for the City of Terrace at 250-615-4026 or email tirwin@terrace.ca.

