



# Maricopa County Solid Waste Management

## News Release

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## Maricopa County Residents Encouraged to Participate in Recycling at local Waste Transfer Stations

**Maricopa County**—Maricopa County Solid Waste Director, Bill Thornton invites residents in northwest and southwest Maricopa County to participate in household recycling and waste disposal at two of the county’s recently renovated Waste Transfer Stations.

The stations are located at 32450 W Salome HWY, Arlington and 40135 N HWY 60, Morristown. The stations are open from 7:00 am to 5:00 pm Wednesday – Saturday.

There is no charge for the recycling service that allows residents to reclaim aluminum, glass, paper, news paper, plastics 1-2, tin, cardboard, electronics, scrap metals, paints, motor oil, and automobile tires.

“Recycling and hazardous material disposal has not been available to unincorporated residents and now it is,” said Supervisor Max Wilson. “Residents simply sort recyclables out of their household garbage, place it into a separate bin or bag, and bring their separated recycling, limited household hazardous waste, and garbage to a waste transfer station.”

Once at the station residents who bring in more than 18 gallons of clean comingled recycling will receive a discount on their waste disposal. Residents who only want to recycle can participate for free. “We encourage everyone without curbside recycling to participate in the recycling. This service is an important new resource in the continuing effort to reduce the use of natural resources and keep renewable commodities and hazardous waste out of landfills, and prevent illegal dumping of all materials from the desert, vacant properties, and water resources,” said Supervisor Mary Rose Wilcox.

*Maricopa County Solid Waste Management provides solid waste transfer, household recycling and waste tire recycling services in cooperation with the cities and towns and businesses. We assist private businesses with an ever increasing focus on reducing the amount of waste generated, maximum practical resource recovery, proper management of special wastes, and environmentally sound disposal.*

This service is primarily intended for unincorporated residents with out curbside recycling or waste collections. Any resident of Maricopa County may use the service. Currently, No commercial garbage drop-off is accepted. Businesses and school are welcome to bring their clean and sorted recycling to the stations.

The new recycling services are made possible with the help of Arizona Department of Environmental Quality Waste Reduction Assistance Grant and Maricopa County Solid Waste Management Department.

A complete list of acceptable and unacceptable items is attached.

## RECYCLING

### ACCECTABLE COMINGLED (rinse and combine items in one container)

#### No Plastic Bags No Styrofoam

- Aluminum Cans
- Plastics 1 -2
- Paper
- Catalogues & Phone Books
- Glass
- Magazines
- Tin
- Food boxes

### OTHER RECYCLING (separated from above)

- Cardboard (broken down)
- Newspaper
- Electronics, Computers & TV's
- Appliances (\$8.00 fee)

### ACCEPTABLE HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE ITEMS:

- Paint
- Electronics
- Batteries
- Motor Oil
- Transmission Fluid
- Computers
- Anti-freeze
- Fluorescent light bulbs
- Tires (limit of 5)

### Waste Disposal Fees:

Car load \$4.00 / SUV \$ 6.00 / Truck \$8.00

Per Bag \$1.00 up two 2 bags

### Unaccepted Items

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- Construction Debris
- Dead Animals
- Dirt
- Explosives
- Hazardous Materials / Pesticides  
/ Herbicides
- Industrial / Off-the-Road Tires
- Liquid Waste
- Medical Waste
- Nuclear Waste

Maricopa County Solid Waste Management is dedicated to educating county residents on the solid waste issue: proper waste disposal and services, waste reduction and recycling, and illegal dumping activities. Contact Patience Monroe, Program Coordinator at (602) 506-3027 for more information or visit us online at [http://www.maricopa.gov/solid\\_waste](http://www.maricopa.gov/solid_waste).