

The human population is growing, and with it, so does the amount of trash we generate. When you recycle instead of throwing things away, those materials get reused instead of going to a landfill. Recyclable products are reduced to a “raw form,” which can then be used to create new and different products. Our planet’s natural resources are limited, so recycling helps us to conserve them.



Recycling collection is a free service to any Kingsport residents already using the city’s garbage collection service. You can get a recycling bin from the city which will be picked up from your curbside by calling (423)229-9451. For more information, visit the city’s recycling collection webpage [here](#).

*Items recycled by city:*

Newspaper and Inserts  
Magazines  
Junk Mail  
Phone Books  
Shredded Paper  
Home Office Paper Products (fax sheets, typing paper, receipts, envelopes)  
Cardboard  
Tin and Aluminum Cans  
Plastics with #1 through #7 Recycling  
Used Motor Oil (no more than 5 gallons)

*\*Please rinse containers and remove lids before placing both in the recycling cart.*

*Items not recycled by the city:*

Glass Food and Beverage Containers  
Plastic wrap  
Plastic containers containing automotive products or hazardous materials  
Food wrappers or anything that doesn’t tear cannot be accepted  
Plastic bags (can take to Walmart, Food City, or Kroger)  
Batteries (can take to Batteries Plus or Lowe’s)  
Light bulbs (can take to Lowe’s)  
Electronics (can take to Best Buy; does not include televisions)

*\*Please call retailers to confirm acceptance before taking items*