



CONGRATULATIONS AYLMER RESIDENTS

1st YEAR SOLID WASTE - RECYCLING PROGRAM UPDATE

The Town of Aylmer would like to commend and thank all residents for their efforts put forward under the Town's enhanced Waste/Recycling Programs and encourage all residents to continue to strive for greater waste diversion levels as the Town's **"Green Program Initiatives"** continue to evolve.

The Town of Aylmer's new "Solid Waste/Recycling Program" commenced on May 1, 2012, details from the first 12 months (year) are as follows:

Blue Box Recyclable Materials Collected May 01, 2012 – April 30, 2013

Month	Weight (kilo's) of Blue Box Materials Collected Under the New Program	Weight (kilo's) of Blue Box Materials Collected Under the Previous Program (3 yr. Monthly Average)	Percentage Difference Between Programs
May 2012	48,280 kg.	25,570 kg.	+ 90%
June 2012	39,380 kg.	29,170 kg.	+ 35%
July 2012	37,990 kg.	30,160 kg.	+ 26%
August 2012	42,850 kg.	23,230 kg.	+ 84%
September 2012	38,770 kg.	24,360 kg.	+ 59%
October 2012	41,300 kg.	25,320 kg.	+ 63%
November 2012	42,900 kg.	25,520 kg.	+ 68%
December 2012	38,910 kg.	32,120 kg.	+ 21%
January 2013	41,160 kg.	27,460 kg.	+ 50%
February 2013	34,730 kg.	23,010 kg.	+ 51%
March 2013	37,260 kg.	22,090 kg.	+ 69%
April 2013	40,640 kg.	24,900 kg.	+ 63%
Totals	484,170kg.	312,910kg.	+ 54.73%

Overall Result = 54.73% net increase (171,260 kg. = 171.26 tonnes) in Blue Box Recyclable Materials collected under the "New Program" in the first 12 months of operation.

Garbage Collected May 01, 2012 – April 30, 2013

Month	Weight (tonnes) of Garbage Collected Under the New Program	Weight (tonnes) of Garbage Collected Under the Old Program (3 yr. Monthly Average)	Weight (tonnes) Difference Between Programs
May 2012	148.89 tonnes	151.59 tonnes	- 2.70 tonnes
June 2012	130.77 tonnes	152.71 tonnes	- 21.94 tonnes
July 2012	122.96 tonnes	162.71 tonnes	- 39.75 tonnes
August 2012	150.43 tonnes	153.63 tonnes	- 3.20 tonnes
September 2012	126.91 tonnes	159.75 tonnes	- 32.84 tonnes
* October 2012	231.69 tonnes	255.34 tonnes	- 23.65 tonnes
November 2012	126.99 tonnes	134.64 tonnes	- 7.65 tonnes
December 2012	109.69 tonnes	144.97 tonnes	- 35.28 tonnes
January 2013	125.84 tonnes	141.97 tonnes	- 16.13 tonnes
February 2013	98.21 tonnes	120.53 tonnes	- 22.32 tonnes
March 2013	108.33 tonnes	132.24 tonnes	- 23.91 tonnes
April 2013	125.03 tonnes	152.30 tonnes	- 27.27 tonnes
Totals	1,605.71 tonnes	1,862.38 tonnes	- 256.67 tonnes

* Includes annual bulk waste pick-up tonnages

Overall Result = 13.782% net decrease (256.67 tonnes) in garbage collected under the "New Program" in the first year of operation.

Program Offers

Residential

- Blue Boxes, Information Packages – Free of charge to any new residents/users that did not receive theirs'.
- Backyard Composters - The Town of Aylmer is offering to its resident's, Backyard Composters ("Soil Saver") at a subsidized cost (\$25.00 taxes included) while supplies last, limit, one per household. Residents interested, please contact the Town at 519-773-3164.

Why Compost?
Composting diverts waste from being sent to landfill sites. It has both financial and environmental benefits.

Benefits of Composting!
This organic product may be used in your flower beds, lawn and garden. It is rich in nutrients and promotes growth while reducing the need for fertilizers and chemicals.

"Soil Saver Backyard Composter"

Multi-Residential – Commercial - Businesses

- Roll-out Carts, Blue Boxes, Multi-residential tenant bags, Promotional Materials – The Town offers Blue Box Recyclable Materials Pick-up Service to all Multi-residential, Commercial, Businesses. Servicing includes free of charge 95 gallon Roll-out Carts, Blue Boxes, Multi-residential tenant bags & Promotional Materials. For more details, please contact the Town at 519-773-3164.

Program Notes

- Weekly pick up for both garbage and recycling
- Additional blue boxes may be used and can be purchased at the Town Office
- If you move, please leave your blue boxes for the next occupant.
- Please encourage your neighbours to recycle more.

Bag Limits and Bag Tags

- Each residential unit is permitted a total of three (3) bags of garbage once weekly of which one bag can be yard waste.
- Each commercial business located within the designated downtown commercial core is permitted a total of five (5) bags of garbage twice weekly. (Tuesday/Friday)
- Each commercial business located outside the downtown designated commercial core area is permitted a total of nine (9) bags of garbage once weekly.

Any garbage bag over the above noted limits must have a bag tag attached to the neck of the bag. Bag tags may be purchased (\$2.00 per tag / no expiry date) at the Municipal office (Town Hall) at 46 Talbot Street West during regular office hours; Monday to Friday from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm. The office is closed statutory holidays, please see hours posted on the municipal office door or visit www.aylmer.ca for any changes to this schedule.

Blue Box Items

Use your large blue box (22 gallon) for: Containers

- Plastics - rigid household food & beverage # 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, & 7 (rinsed)
- Aluminum – food & beverage containers
- Aluminum Foil – pie plates & other foil products (free of food debris)
- Glass – food or beverage containers
- Polycoated paperboard – paperboard and coated with polyethylene and/or aluminum, ie: gabletops, milk, juice & drink boxes
- Spiral Wound – single wrap rigid body and several layers of materials (including paper, foil & plastics) usually have one steel end such as frozen juice containers
- Steel – food or beverage containers; empty aerosol and paint cans, please air dry paint can and remove lids.

Use your small blue box (18 gallon) for: Paper Products

- Newsprint – flyers, magazines, telephone directories and books (please remove hard cover from books)
- Mixed household paper – envelopes & writing paper
- Cardboard – corrugated boxes flattened and bundled to no larger than 75 cm x 75 cm x 20 cm (30" x 30" x 8") pizza boxes that are free of food debris
- Boxboard – molded pulp and excluding waxed paperboard.

Items **NOT** accepted in the Blue Box, but not limited to: plastic bags, plastic wrap, styrofoam, coffee cups, waxed coated paper products, wrapping paper, dark coloured paper, broken glass, light bulbs, dishes, coat hangers, pots, hazardous waste, electronic waste.



Upcoming Event

Household Hazardous and Electronic Waste Recycling Depot
September 21, 2013 (Saturday – 9:00 am to 2:00 pm)
East Elgin Community Complex, 531 Talbot Street West

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