

# BLOOMSBURG'S RECYCLING REPORT

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## FAQ ????

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"RECYCLE WITH US"

**What Area am I in?** The collection areas are divided into five areas. AREA 1 is East of Market street, North of Main St and Lightstreet road. Includes both sides of Main St between Market and East St and Lightstreet Road. AREA 2 is West of Market St, North of 5th Street and includes both sides of Market St. between 1st St and 5th St.. AREA 3 is West of Market St, South of 5th St. and includes both sides of 5th St and Market St between 5th St and Forth McClure Blvd. AREA 4 is East of Market St, South of Main St and Lightstreet road, north of 7th St. AREA 5 is East if Market St, South of 7th St and includes both sides of 7th St. For a map of

areas check out the website or to see what area you are in check the mailing label on this newsletter.

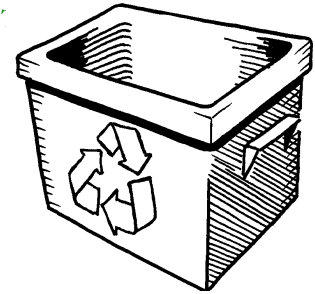
### Where do I get the bins?

The bins are available at the recycling center 901 Patterson Drive at no charge.

### Why wasn't my recycling picked up?

The most common reason why recycling was not collected was improperly prepared materials. All materials collected must be separated by material (i.e. glass separated by color, steel cans separated from aluminum) and only set out what is collected (i.e. no magazines, junk mail, boxes, or other plastics).

### On what holidays are the recycling Center closed?



Bins are available at the Recycling Center

New Years Day; Presidents Day; Good Friday; Memorial Day; Independence Day; Labor Day; Thanksgiving Day thru First Day of Deer; and Christmas. Remember collections will be done later in the week for the Area that normally would be collected on that day. All other areas remain the same.

## Recycling... it's the Law

Recycling is mandatory in Bloomsburg for all residents, businesses, schools, offices, multi-family housing properties and organizers of special events. Under Act 101 the state of Pennsylvania requires all communities with a population greater than 5,000 residents to recycle. Town ordinance # 862 provides that all residents must keep separate from municipal waste the following materials.

Clear, brown and green glass

bottles; Steel cans; aluminum beverage cans; newspapers; and plastic containers #1 PET and #2 HDPE.

Recycling is collected two times each month in all Areas of the town. Have materials **at the curb by 7:30am** on the designated day. All materials must be sorted and separated, glass must be sorted by color, steel cans and aluminum must be kept separate, plastic bottles #1 & #2 only all other plastic containers are unac-

ceptable. All bottles, jars and cans must be rinsed and clean with no food residue. Labels do not need to be removed but the lids do.

## Calendar of Events

**Monday September 4th** —Recycling Center is closed Area 1 will be collected on **Thursday September 7th**  
**October 16th** — Leaf collection begins, Rake leaves to the curb line. Town crews will collect leaves on the same day and side of the street as the street sweeper schedule. The collections will take place weekly until November 22nd.  
**October 30th** — Magazine collection for Areas 1,2,& 3.

**October 31st** — magazine collection for Areas 4 & 5  
**November 1st** Compost site hours change to 2pm-5pm due to daylight savings.  
**November 23rd thru November 27th** the recycling center will be closed. Area 4 will be collected on **Wednesday November 29th**.  
**December 23rd—25th** The Recycling Center will be closed. Area 4 will be collected on **Wednesday December 27th**.

**January 1st** Recycling Center will be closed. Area 1 will be collected on **Thursday January 4th**.  
 2007 Calendar's will be mailed in early December. If you do not receive one contact the recycling center at 784-4532.

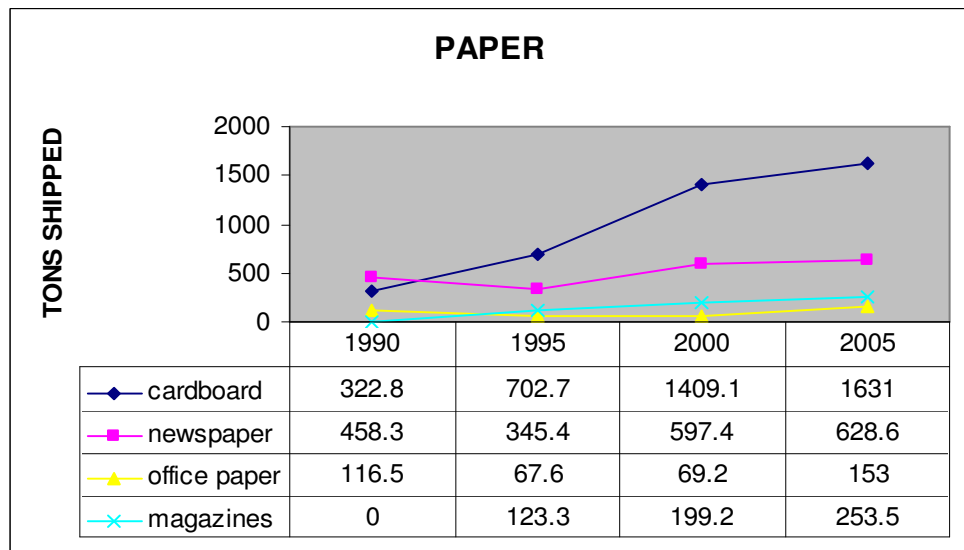
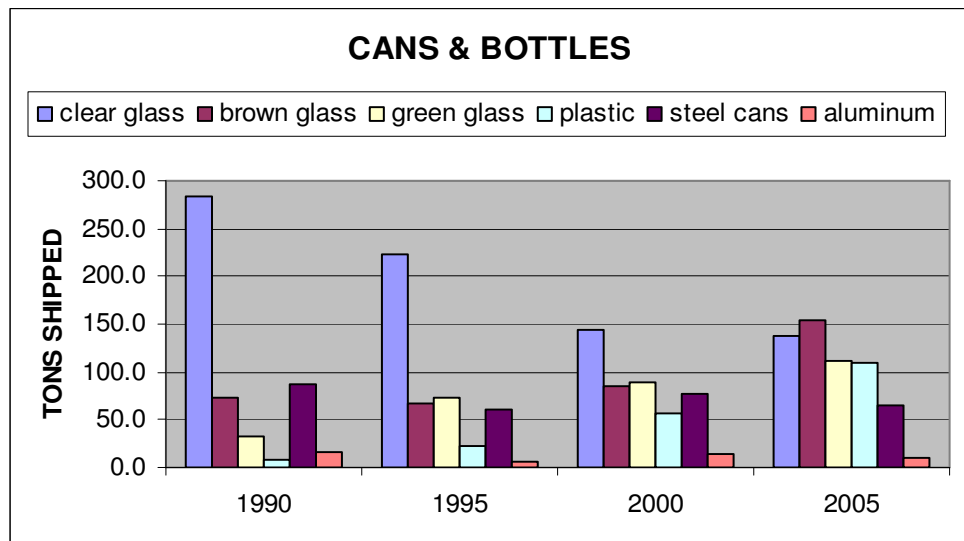


## A look back at Bloomsburg's recycling over the last 15 years

For the fourth year in a row the recycling center has shipped over 3000 tons of materials. Even as the amount of material shipped has increased the type of material has changed. As the top chart indicates the amount of glass shipped over the years is steadily decreasing and plastic is on the rise. In 1990 only #1 PET plastic was accepted for recycling. By 1995 HDPE #2 plastic had been added. In just the last five years the center has doubled the amount of plastic recycled.

A look at the bottom chart indicates, the recycling of all grades of paper has grown throughout the years and continues on an upward climb. This is good news as the American Forest and Paper organization is raising the bar by setting a goal of recovering 55% of the waste paper by 2012.

Not shown on the charts are the additional materials added over the years which includes phone books in 1996, Hardcover and paperback books in 2002 and computers in 2003.



## COMPOST SITE

The compost site is open from the first Wednesday in April until the Wednesday prior to Thanksgiving.

Take advantage of Christmas Tree curbside collections every Monday during the month of January o take it to the compost site Monday –Friday 7am-3pm.

In April take advantage of our Earth week yard waste curbside collection. Public Works crews collect leaf and yard waste on the same day and side

of street as the town street sweeper schedule. Look for the signs on your street for your day and time. Place materials at the curb in a manageable pile by 7am. Do NOT use plastic bags.

**ACCEPTABLE MATERIALS:**  
 Leave; yard/garden waste and tree limbs less than 4' in diameter and 6 feet in length.

October 16 –November 22nd curbside collection of leaves begins. Rake leaves to the curbline free of other debris . Collection schedule follows the street sweeper schedule.



### COMPOST SITE HOURS

WEDNESDAYS 4PM-7PM

SATURDAYS 8AM-12PM

APRIL—OCTOBER

DUE TO DAYLIGHT SAVINGS NOVEMBER

WEDNESDAY HOURS

CHANGE TO 2PM TO 5PM

## AT THE RECYCLING CENTER

The recycling center at 901 Patterson Drive accepts the following materials for drop-off during open hours.

CLEAR, BROWN, & GREEN GLASS — separate by color.

STEEL CANS & ALUMINUM CANS separate by metal type

NEWSPAPER— including all ads and inserts must keep dry

PLASTIC BOTTLES #1 & 2 which includes all soda, juice, milk and laundry bottles Check for the number

in the chasing arrows

CORRUGATED CARDBOARD boxes that have a layer of ridges

MAGAZINES & CATALOGS

OFFICE PAPER –lined or unlined shredded or whole

HARDCOVER, PAPERBACK AND PHONE BOOKS

COMPUTERS AND ALL PERIPHERALS

### CENTER HOURS

MONDAY 7AM-3:30PM

TUESDAY 7AM-3:30PM

WEDNESDAY 7AM-5PM

THURSDAY 7AM-3:30PM

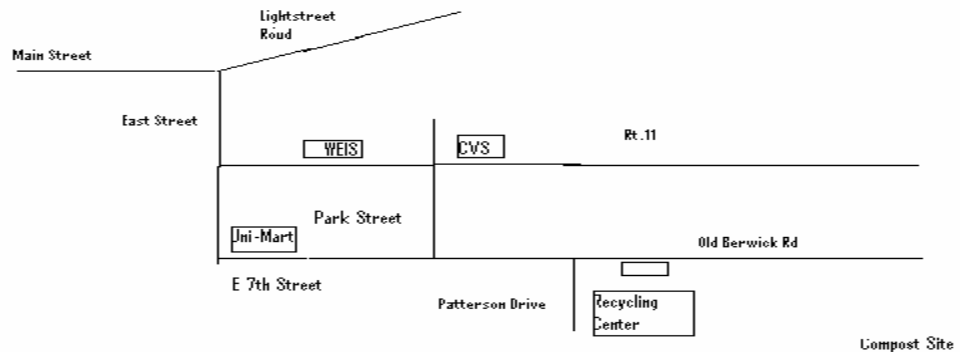
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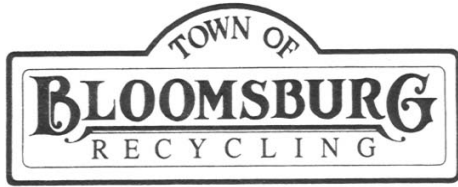
2ND & 4TH SATURDAY

9AM-1PM

### DIRECTIONS TO CENTER

From Main Street follow Rt.11 turn right onto East Street. Go to the third red light and turn left onto E 7th Street. The Center is 1/2 mile ahead on the right side behind Whitmoyer's Car Detailer (formerly Walt's Best Gas Station)





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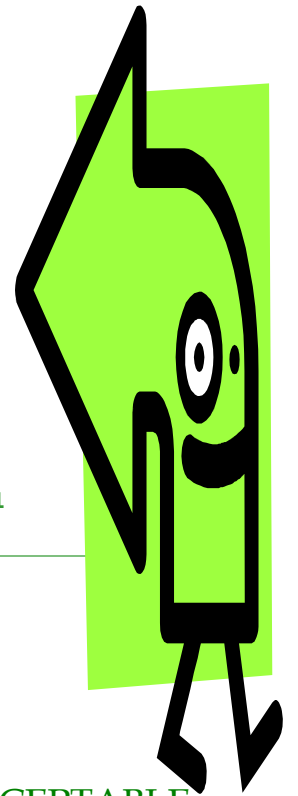
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## CURBSIDE RECYCLING COLLECTION

Area 1 First & Third Monday  
Area 2 First & Third Tuesday  
Area 3 First & third Wednesday

Area 4 Second & Fourth Monday  
Area 5 Second & Fourth Tuesday

CHECK THE LABEL FOR  
YOUR AREA

### ACCEPTABLE

### NOT ACCEPTABLE

#### Glass

Clear, Green, & Brown  
Bottles and jars  
Separate by color

Broken glass, window pane,  
light bulbs, drinking glasses  
or dishes

#### Cans

Steel (food cans)  
Aluminum (beverage cans)  
Separate aluminum from steel

foil, pie tins, aerosol cans,  
pots, pans or scrap metal

#### Newspaper

newsprint, inserts and ads  
Bundle and keep dry

magazines or junk mail

#### Plastic

#1 and #2 plastic bottles  
(soda, milk, detergent, etc)

all other plastic containers  
yogurt cups, margarine tubs