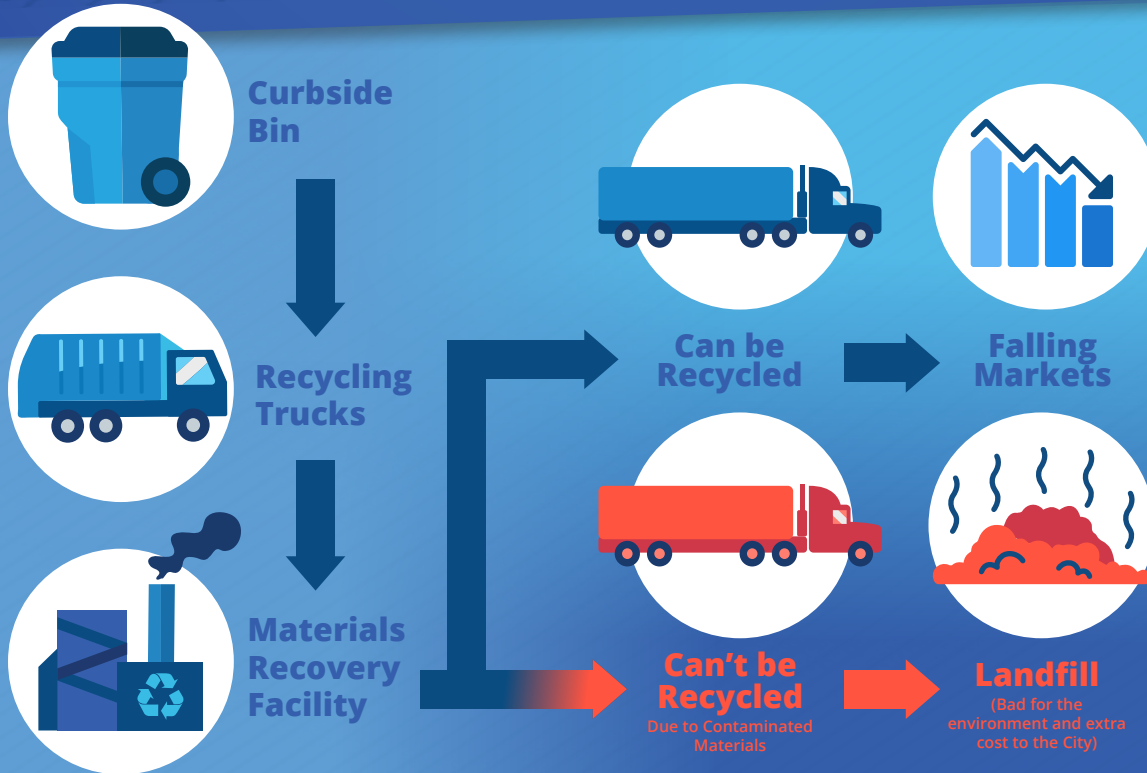


Where recycling goes

Contamination occurs when materials that can NOT be recycled are mixed in with those that CAN. It can also occur when materials are not properly cleaned before being recycled.

The City is committed to cleaning up our recycling! Help us ensure that all curbside recycled materials are indeed recycled and not sent to the landfill. It's better for the environment and minimizes possible future rate increases!



Most recycled materials are sent to China to be repurposed. China is now stricter about the quality and cleanliness of the materials they will accept and in turn, offering lower financial rebates to cities and recycling collectors.

Even a small amount of contamination can send a whole load of recycled material to the landfill.