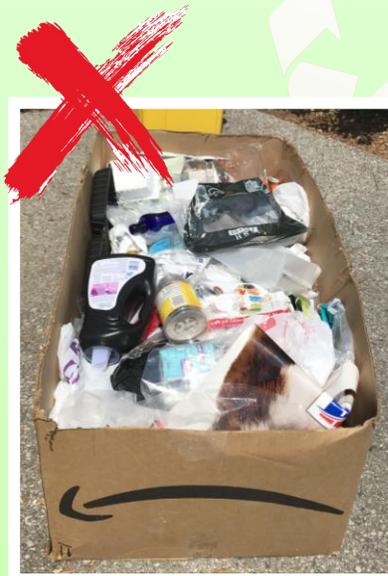


ONE PERSON RECYCLING FOR A MONTH

The photos below are an example of what a one-person household can and cannot recycle!

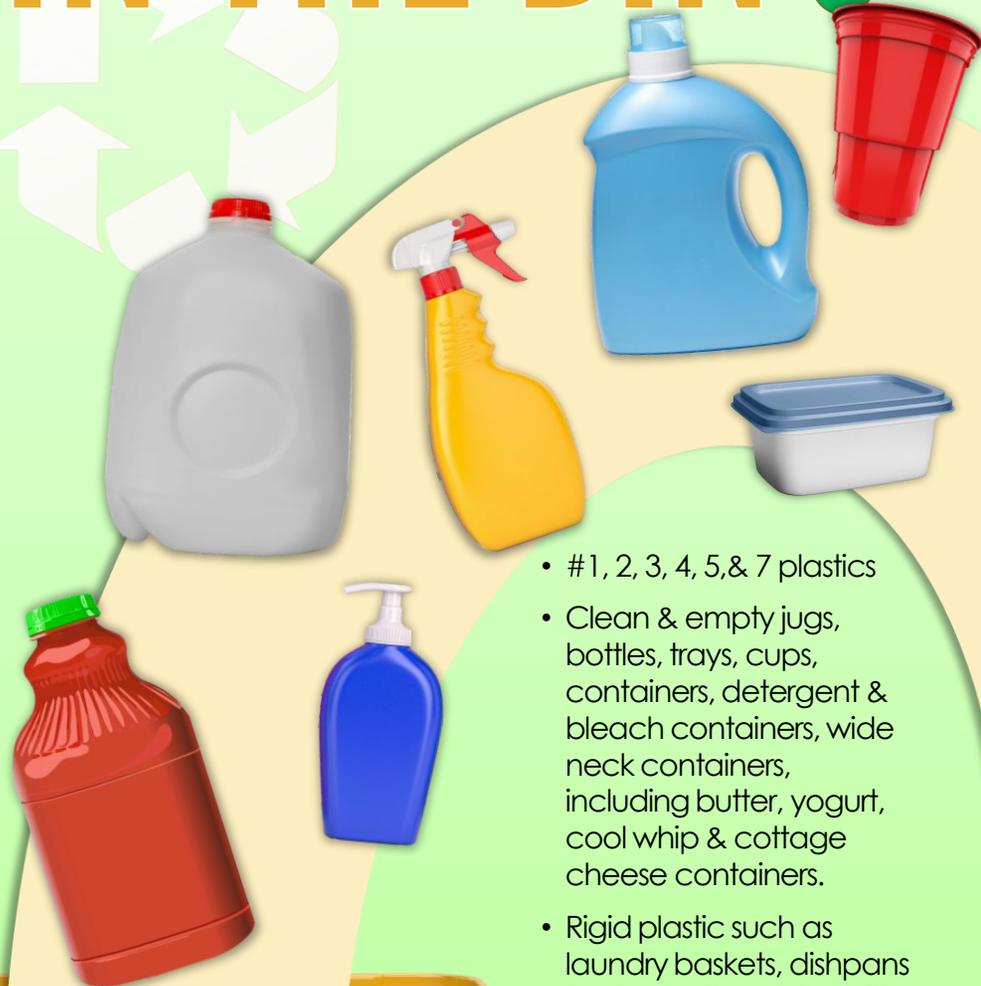


**Acceptable
Plastic
Recycling
Items**



**Unacceptable
Plastic
Recycling
Items**

What goes IN THE BIN?



- #1, 2, 3, 4, 5, & 7 plastics
- Clean & empty jugs, bottles, trays, cups, containers, detergent & bleach containers, wide neck containers, including butter, yogurt, cool whip & cottage cheese containers.
- Rigid plastic such as laundry baskets, dishpans (no larger than 3 ft x 3 ft).



THE BASICS OF RECYCLING PLASTICS

BEWARE OF SINGLE-USE PLASTICS

Single-use plastics are items intended for use just once before they're disposed of or recycled. Single-use plastics are devastating to the environment and can take hundreds of years to degrade, and most don't biodegrade completely. They contaminate soils and water and are detrimental to our wildlife. Examples include:

- ✗ Plastic straws, knives, forks, and spoons
- ✗ Plastic plates
- ✗ Plastic water and soda bottles
- ✗ Plastic shopping bags
- ✗ Plastic garbage bags
- ✗ Plastic wrap
- ✗ Baby diapers
- ✗ Plastic and Styrofoam coffee cups, lids and takeout containers

HOW TO MOVE AWAY FROM SINGLE-USE PLASTICS

Reduce or eliminate your consumption of single-use plastics by doing the following:

- Use reusable shopping bags instead of the single-use plastic bags at the store.
- Limit consumption of processed, packaged foods.
- Buy groceries and supplies in cardboard, paper or glass containers.
- Use your own washable coffee mugs.
- Use reusable water bottles and a stainless steel straw.
- Use your own washable and reusable knives, forks and spoons.

RECYCLE CLEAN & EMPTY #1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 7 PLASTICS

- ✓ Detergent bottles and bleach containers
- ✓ Milk jugs
- ✓ Some take out containers marked recyclable
- ✓ Plastic cups
- ✓ Some plastic water and soda bottles are recycled (but less than 20%)
- ✓ Plastic tubs for margarine, cool whip, yogurt, cottage cheese and other foods
- ✓ Rigid plastic such as laundry baskets and dishpans (no larger than 3 ft x 3 ft)

When in doubt
THROW IT OUT



DO NOT RECYCLE THESE PLASTICS

- Empty anti-freeze containers
- motor oil containers
- Plates
- Tableware
- Toys
- bubble wrap
- medicine bottles
- Tupperware
- Styrofoam
- straws