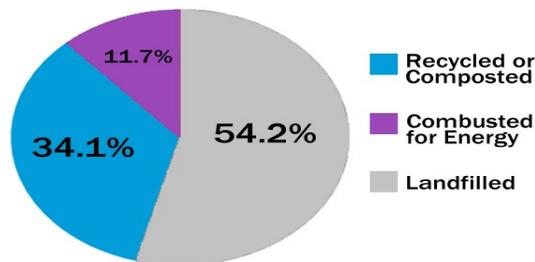


What are the Benefits of Recycling??

- Reduces the amount of waste sent to landfills and incinerators;
- Conserves natural resources such as timber, water, and minerals;
- Prevents pollution caused by reducing the need to collect new raw materials;
- Saves energy;
- Reduces greenhouse gas emissions that contribute to global climate change;
- Helps sustain the environment for future generations;
- Helps create new well-paying jobs in the recycling and manufacturing industries in the United States.

What Happens to Stuff We Throw Away*?



*Based on the 2010 Municipal Solid Waste Characterization Report

Frequently asked questions:

Should Recyclables be separated?

Recyclables need not be separated; all recyclable items can be placed together in your curbside recycling container.

What do I do if I have too many recyclables for my one recycling bin?

You may purchase a recycling sticker at the City office to be put on your own garbage bag up to 33 gallons.

What should I do with the recycling bin if I move?

The City-issued recycling bin is the property of the City of Rock Valley. Please leave it at the residence when you move.

How can I get a replacement bin if I just moved in and my recycling bin is missing.

Please contact the City Office for replacement.

What if I am physically unable to take my recycling bin to the curb for collection?

If you have a mobility impairment and no one in your household can move the recycling container to and from the curb, please contact the City of Rock Valley at 712-476-5707 to arrange for assistance.

Where do I dispose of other hazardous material?

(degreasers, waxes & polishes, solvents, lacquers & thinners, caustic household cleaners, spot & stain removers, pesticide & herbicides, oil based paint, latex paint)

You will be able to dispose of these items during our city wide clean up days, a trailer will be set up in front of the city offices for you to deposit these items.

REDUCE REUSE RECYCLE



Monthly Garbage/Recycle Schedule

East Side of Main:

Garbage– Every Tuesday
Recycling– 1st & 3rd Thursday

West Side of Main:

Garbage– Every Wednesday
Recycling– 2nd & 4th Thursday

For any additional information please contact:

City of Rock Valley 712-476-5707

Northwest Iowa Area Landfill 712-324-4026



How does the City's Recycling process work?

- Fill your recycling bin each week with the accepted materials.
- Rinse & dry all containers/put lids & caps in trash.
- Reduce all catalogs, books, magazines, phone books to 1/2 inch thick.
- No glass is accepted at this time due to possible contamination of materials.
- Place co-mingled recycling bin at the curbside on your collection day for pickup.
- Recyclables are pickup up and transported to Northwest Iowa Area Landfill located in Sheldon, Iowa.



Mixed Paper:

office, colored, shiny, envelopes, junk mail, catalogs, newspapers, brown paper bags, magazines, phone books, shredded paper, hardcover books, paperback books, paper egg cartons

(reduce bulk items to 1/2 inch thickness)

Plastic:

All containers labeled 1,2,3,4 or 5. Milk & juice jugs, pop and water bottles, dish and liquid soap bottles, bleach and detergent containers, ice cream tubs and yogurt cups, cooking oil containers, lotion bottles, household cleaning containers

(cleaned and emptied with no lids, caps, or pumps)

Aluminum and Metals:

Aluminum & tin cans, aluminum foil and pans

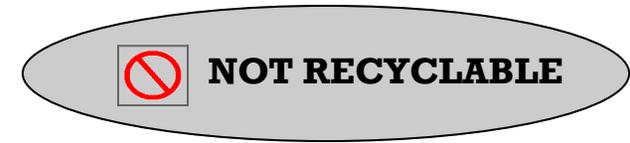
No batteries or electronics

Corrugated Cardboard:

Corrugated cardboard only, pizza boxes

Grass/leaves/brush disposal:

Yard waste may be taken to the Grass and Leaf Site located on North Main. Please follow the signs upon entering the site. No garbage or recyclables are allowed at this site, yard waste only.



Food & paper waste:

Frozen food & juice boxes, food wrappers & bags, dirty plates, cups & napkins, food waste, tissues, paper towels, wax paper

Plastic:

All plastic containers labeled 6 or 7, plastic containers with no numbered label, styrofoam & packing peanuts, plastic bags, plastic utensils, cups & plates, disposable diapers, plastic food wrapping, Tupperware containers, medical supplies and sharps

Glass:

No glass will be accepted due to possible contamination of other materials

Non-corrugated Cardboard:

Fiber board (cereal boxes), wax coated cardboard

NOTE:

If you are not sure if your recycling or household hazardous material is prohibited, please call the facility staff at Northwest Iowa Area Landfill:

712-324-4026

