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Home & Business **RECYCLING** Companion

A Guide to Resource Recovery Options in Linn County, Iowa

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SolidWaste Agency

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Locations & Hours

1954 County Home Road
Marion, Iowa 52302
(near Hwy 13 at County Home Road)

(319) 377-5290

**Landfill
Recycling
Pollution Prevention Center
Swap Shop**

Monday-Saturday
7 a.m.- 4:30 p.m.

2250 A Street, SW
Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52404
(near Czech Village)

(319) 398-5163

**Recycling
Wood Recovery
Yard Waste Disposal
Compost/Mulch**

Summer (April 1-November 30)
Monday-Saturday 7 a.m.- 4:30 p.m.

Winter (December 1-March 31)
Monday-Friday 7 a.m.- 3 p.m.

Agency Mission

Ensuring the health, safety and welfare of Linn County residents by managing discarded materials as resources in a way that is cost-effective and environmentally sound.

Payment

Cash, credit card or business check payment is due at the time of service, if fees apply. Business accounts may be established by calling 319-377-5290.

After Hours

All vehicles are expected to **exit** by closing time or may be subject to additional fees. An official clock is located at the scale house of each location.

Closed

Sundays, New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day. Refer to website for inclement weather closings.

Up-to-date Information

Fees and hours are subject to change without notice. For the most up-to-date landfill operation and recycling information, please visit our Web site at:

www.SolidWasteAgency.org

Disclaimer: Our goal is to present information as completely as possible regarding the services available for recycling in Linn County. Businesses, locations, materials collected, hours and fees listed herein are those in effect on the date of publication, and are subject to change without notice. Any information or list provided in this publication is non-inclusive and does not imply an endorsement or recommendation. We welcome additions, revisions, articles, proposals and ideas from our readers. If you would like your business added, please contact our communications director.
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Locations

As you enter either site, drive directly to the scale house.

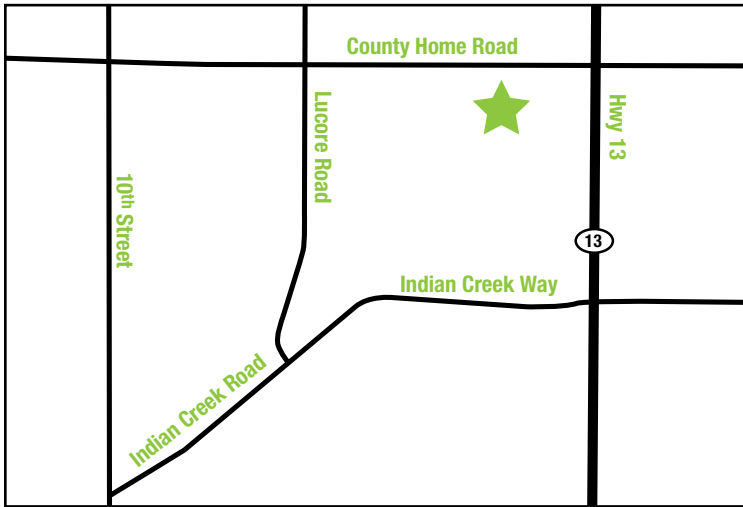
Visiting Agency facilities is easy and convenient. For smaller loads, scale house attendants will collect any payment due (cash, credit card or business check), then direct customers to the correct area for unloading.

For larger loads of trash and yard waste, customers must weigh in, unload, return to the scale house to weigh out and pay accordingly.

County Home Road Location

1954 County Home Road, Marion (near Hwy 13)

Monday-Saturday 7 a.m.-4:30 p.m.



A Street Location

2250 A Street SW, Cedar Rapids (near Czech Village)

Summer (April 1-November 30) – Monday-Saturday 7 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Winter (December 1-March 31) – Monday-Friday 7 a.m.-3 p.m.



Landfill/Solid Waste Disposal

County Home Road Location

Waste Disposal: Small load disposal dumpsters are available for the convenience of smaller vehicles. The area is paved and avoids commercial garbage truck traffic.

Landfill Tipping Fee: \$38 per ton; \$5 minimum for cars/SUVs/minivans; \$15 minimum for pickups/service vans. (Scale house can have any vehicle weighed.)

Important Landfill Policies

Vehicles Must Be Covered: All loads must be covered and secured to prevent material from blowing out. Any vehicle entering the Agency without a cover will be subject to an unsecured load fine of up to \$25.

Vehicle Towing: The Agency strives to maintain reasonably passable routes at the landfill. However, the Agency is not responsible to prevent or otherwise correct conditions which cause vehicles to become stuck or disabled, including flat tires. Vehicle owners are responsible for obtaining their own towing service.

Windy Conditions: Wind speed and direction may warrant landfill closure. If the site closes after opening, the public will be notified via press and web releases. During windy conditions, it is best to first call the Agency or check online to ensure the site is open.

Materials Banned from the Landfill:

Banned Item	Alternative
5¢ Deposit bottles/cans	Recycle (p.22)
Appliances	(p.6 and p.12)
Corrugated cardboard	Recycle (p.7) – <i>tipping fee doubles to \$76/ton when cardboard is landfilled</i>
Hazardous materials	(p.10 and p.18)
Lead-acid batteries	Recycle (p.7)
Liquids	Dry out or pour down the sanitary sewer (NEVER pour in streets or down storm sewers, they drain directly to streams)
Medical waste	(p.18)
Motor oil	Recycle (p.7)
Propane tanks	Recycle (p.13)
Radioactive materials	Iowa Dept. of Public Health, (515) 281-3478
Tires (whole)	Recycle (p.6)
Televisions & monitors	Recycle (p.7)
Yard waste	Compost (p.9)

Did you know?

The landfill experiences heavy traffic on Saturdays between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. During this PEAK TIME you may experience a wait in line.

Recycling Services

County Home Road Location – all items

A Street Location – all items except those marked (•)

ALL Electronics

residents only – **FREE**

Including TVs, monitors, computers, copiers, fax machines, printers, holiday lights and other electronics (see list of electronics on page 16)

Antifreeze

FREE

Appliances

\$9 each

Air conditioners	Furnaces	Stoves
Dehumidifiers	Humidifiers	Trash compactors
Dishwashers	Microwaves	Washer
Dryers	PCB ballasts	Water heaters
Freezers	Refrigerators	

Get paid for your old, but working appliances. Visit AlliantEnergy.com and/or MidAmericanenergy.com for up-to-date rebate programs and offer information.

Batteries

residents – **FREE**

Vehicle and household

businesses – see page 10

Bicycles (working or not)

FREE

Bicycles are donated to a non-profit organization that fixes and ships them to developing countries where owning a bike may be the difference between employment or unemployment.

Clothing/Textiles

FREE

Fluorescent Bulbs

residents – **FREE**

Long tubes, compact fluorescent bulbs, CFLs

businesses – \$1 each

Glass Jars & Bottles

FREE

Keep separate from other recyclables
Place in collection container for glass only.

Metal

FREE

Household scrap metal including clean metal food and beverage cans, aluminum foil, pie pans and metal lids. No need to remove labels.

Motor Oil & Oil Filters

FREE

Paper Products

FREE

Cardboard, catalogs, chipboard (brown or gray when torn), envelopes (including those with windows), file folders, greeting cards, junk mail, paper bags, paper egg cartons, pop & beer cartons, magazines, mixed paper (carbon, colored, computer, fax, laser printer, legal pad, note pad, photocopy,) newspapers, newspaper inserts and telephone books

Plastics

FREE

Clean containers, bottles and tubs with recycling triangle and numbered 1 through 7. The exception is **styrofoam** which cannot be recycled in Linn County at this time. (See block styrofoam options on page 20.)

Plastic Bags/Wrap (•)

FREE

bread wrappers, dry-cleaning bags, grocery/retail bags, newspaper bags, plastic that wraps products like paper towels

Scrap Metal

FREE

Tons of recyclable scrap metal is going into the landfill, but this metal could be recycled if placed in the scrap metal pile! Scrap metal should be clean and relatively free of concrete, fluids, plastic and wood. Scrap metal can include:

Aluminum/metal siding

Aluminum window frames

Chain link fence

Cast iron

Curtain rods

Downspouts

File cabinets

Furniture with metal frames

Gas grills

Gutters

Ironing boards

Lawn mowers & snow blowers

(drain gas & oil prior to drop off)

Metal exercise equipment

Metal sheds

Metal shelving

Metal shutters

Metal swing sets

Propane tanks

Wire

Wrought iron

If it's *mostly* metal then it can be recycled as Scrap Metal!

Syringes/Sharps

FREE

secured in a thick plastic container

Tires

Linn County residents can recycle up to eight (8) car, SUV, pickup or minivan tires at one time for \$1 per tire/\$2 per tire if on rim

A load that contains more than eight (8) car, SUV, pickup or minivan tires will be weighed and charged \$140 per ton.

Larger tires (semi, tractor) and all quartered tires will be weighed and charged \$140 per ton.

Golden Rules of Recycling

1. Rinse if dirty.
2. Flatten if bulky.

Wood Recovery

A Street Location

Wood Recovery: Diverts waste wood products from the landfill and recycles them into fuel that is used as an alternative to coal and oil. Program is open to residential and commercial customers

Program Tipping Fee: \$15 per ton – \$5 minimum.

Items Accepted

Any size, shape or condition

Building Materials

Beams, boards, concrete forms, engineered wood, fiber board, lumber, MDF/OSB particle board, plywood, press board, rafters/trusses

Building Products

Cabinets, chair rail, countertops (Formica™), doors, floors (hardwood, parquet, Pergo™), paneling, siding, signage (job site), trim/woodwork, vanities

Landscape Debris

Logs/stumps/trunks, tree limbs, trimmings

Shipping Materials

Crates/pallets/skids

Unwanted Furniture

Bookcases/shelves, chairs/stools, desks, dressers, headboards

OK to Include

- Attached hardware such as hinges, nails, door knobs
- Wood surfaces with laminates
- Wood surfaces covered with non lead-based paint, stain, varnish, veneer, etc.

Items NOT Accepted

Causes for load rejection

Garbage

Drywall, food, rubber, window glass

Recyclables

Bottles, cans, cardboard, metal, paper, plastic, plastic shrink wrap

Organic Waste

Grass clippings, leaves, sawdust

Treated Wood

Fencing, decking, railroad ties, utility poles, wood surfaces covered with lead-based paint

No need to remove nails, screws, hinges, or other hardware.

Yard Waste/Compost

County Home Road & A Street Locations

Yard Waste Disposal: Materials accepted include brush, tree limbs/trunks, Christmas trees, plant/grass clippings and leaves.

A Street Location: Commercial, trailer and residential loads.

County Home Road Location: Small residential loads ONLY; no trailers or limbs greater than 4" in diameter.

Yard Waste Tipping Fee: \$18 per ton – \$5 minimum.

Backyard Composters & Cedar Rapids Yard(Y) Cart Owners

The organics listed below make great compost. Call the Agency if interested in learning more about how to compost in your own backyard. Cedar Rapids residents can place these items in their Yard(Y) Carts as well.

Fruits & Vegetables

All fruits & peelings
All vegetables & peelings
Corn husks/cobs
Melons, pumpkins, potatoes

Wood/Tree/Brush

Firewood – old/rotting
Sawdust – in brown paper bags
Shrubs, brush, leaves
Wood & wood shavings
non-chemically treated
no glue, paint or stain

Yard Debris

Flowers
Garden & house plants
Grass clippings, sod
Lawn rakings/weeds/leaves
Ornamental grasses

Other

Coffee filters/grounds/tea bags
Dryer lint
Hair, human & pet
Newspapers
Paper towels, napkins, plates

Finished Compost/Mulch Products

A Street Location Only

Empower your plants with compost produced at the Solid Waste Agency's full-service compost facility. Organics which have been dropped off at our facility go through a controlled composting process which produces a terrific soil conditioner that can be used for mulching, amending and top-dressing!

Bulk Compost

\$8 per cubic yard

**2 cubic yards FREE to
Linn County residents per visit**

Wood Chips

\$8 per cubic yard

**Supplies are limited.
Call (319) 398-5163
for availability.**

A standard-size pickup truck holds approximately 2 cubic yards.

Pollution Prevention Center

County Home Road Location

Residential

FREE service through the Pollution Prevention Center (PPC) allows Linn County residents to safely dispose of household hazardous materials.

New!

NO APPOINTMENT NECESSARY

Appointments are no longer necessary to drop off household hazardous materials at the PPC during regular business hours.

Businesses

Conditionally Exempt Small Quantity Generators (CESQG) – Affordable service allows Linn County CESQG, businesses that generate less than 220 pounds of hazardous waste per month and store less than 1,000 pounds, to safely dispose of hazardous materials. (Small and Large Quantity Generators see page 18 for more information.)

SWAP Shop

The SWAP Shop is stocked with items dropped off at the PPC and deemed usable by PPC staff. Items are available “as is” and FREE of charge.

The SWAP Shop is open during regular business hours. Visit often as inventory constantly changes!

Learn more about hazardous materials services, visit www.SolidWasteAgency.org or call (319) 377-5290

Examples of Household Hazardous Materials Accepted at the PPC

Automotive

Antifreeze*
Batteries*
Brake fluid
Carburetor cleaner
Degreasers
Fuel – gasoline, diesel
Transmission fluid
Used motor oil*
Used oil filters*

Home Improvement

Concrete cleaner
Driveway sealer
Glue (with solvent)
Furniture stripper
Mineral spirits
Naphtha
Paint – oil-based
Paint thinner, remover, stripper
Shellac
Stain, varnish, lacquer
Turpentine
Wood filler
Wood preservatives/
deck cleaner

Household/Hobby

1 lb. propane tank
Acetone
Aerosol cans
Batteries*
Compact fluorescent bulbs*
Contact cement
Cleaners – drain, floor, furniture, oven, toilet
Disinfectant
Fiberglass epoxy
Fire extinguisher
Furniture polish
Kerosene
Mothballs
Nail polish/remover
Spot remover
Photographic chemicals
Shoe polish
Thermostats
Thermometers

Lawn/Garden

Algaecides
Bug spray
Fertilizer
Flea/tick products for pets
Fly strips
Fungicides
Gopher poison
Herbicides
Insecticides (insect killers)
Lighter fluid
Pesticides
Pool chemicals
Stump removers
Weed killer

** Items accepted at the Recycling Drive-Thru Center.*

Did you know?

Latex paint is not considered a hazardous material. Consider donating unwanted paint. Otherwise, dry it out and dispose with the regular trash.

Collection

Please contact your hauler directly with collection-related questions.

All recycling and solid waste handled at Agency facilities are delivered by a contracted hauler or is self-hauled. The cities of Cedar Rapids and Marion have their own solid waste departments. Other Linn County communities and businesses contract with a commercial hauler for collection services.

Community

Service Provider

Alburnett . . . . .	.Rudd Sanitation
Bertram . . . . .	.Choice of commercial hauler
Cedar Rapids . . . . .	.City Solid Waste Department
Center Point . . . . .	.Rudd Sanitation
Central City . . . . .	.Rudd Sanitation
Coggon . . . . .	.Rudd Sanitation
Ely . . . . .	.Waste Management
Fairfax . . . . .	.Johnson County Refuse
Hiawatha . . . . .	.Choice of commercial hauler
Lisbon . . . . .	.Johnson County Refuse
Marion . . . . .	.City Public Service Department
Mount Vernon . . . . .	.Wapsi Waste Services
Palo . . . . .	.Rudd Sanitation
Prairieburg . . . . .	.Rudd Sanitation
Robins . . . . .	.Rudd Sanitation
Springville . . . . .	.Rudd Sanitation
Walker . . . . .	.Choice of commercial hauler

Municipal Solid Waste Collection

City of Cedar Rapids Solid Waste Department . . . . .	.(319) 286-5897
City of Marion Public Service Department . . . . .	.(319) 377-6367

Commercial Solid Waste Haulers/Recyclers

1-800-Got-Junk . . . . .	.(800) 468-5865
A-1 . . . . .	.(319) 364-1566
ABC Disposal Systems . . . . .	.(319) 395-0904
Allied Waste Services . . . . .	.(563) 556-5393
Bacon Recycling . . . . .	.(563) 926-2442
Banner Valley Hauling . . . . .	.(319) 396-8454
City Carton Company . . . . .	.(319) 362-8714
Country Mile Disposal . . . . .	.(319) 560-8982
DS Disposal . . . . .	.(319) 366-6785
Dumpster Denny . . . . .	.(563) 920-5730
HMR Home & Business Recyclers . . . . .	.(319) 365-1620
Johnson County Refuse Inc. . . . .	.(877) 423-9877
North Cedar Recycling . . . . .	.(563) 942-2072
Rudd Sanitation Inc. . . . .	.(319) 438-6563
Wapsi Waste Service . . . . .	.(319) 462-4271
Waste Management . . . . .	.(319) 362-9900
Wilson's Rubbish Hauling, Inc. . . . .	.(319) 848-7101

Drop-Off Locations for Curbside-type Recyclables

City Carton Company	901 Ingleside Dr. SW, Cedar Rapids. . . . .	.(319) 362-8714
Marion Public Works	195 35 th St., Marion (residents only). . . . .	.(319) 377-6367

Around the House

Is there “stuff” around the house you no longer need or want?

Before throwing away anything, see if it can be reused or recycled. Recycling may even put money in your pocket. Remember: *One person’s trash is another’s treasure!*

Appliances/housewares	Eyeglasses	Plastic bags
Books/magazines	Furniture	Propane tanks
Carpet/carpet padding	Mattresses/box spring	Office equipment
Clothing/textiles	Metal hangers	Sports equipment

Sell It or Give It Away

Sell it direct at a garage sale or through classifieds ads in the newspaper, local Penny Saver or WMT Radio’s Buy, Sell, & Trade. Try selling or giving away your items on sites such as ebay.com, freecycle.org, craigslist.org or throwplace.com.

Consign With Others

Basically Books	(319) 396-8420
Elegant Repeats	(319) 365-1070
Half-Price Books	(319) 377-4982
Jeff Jones Furniture Consignment	(319) 362-4324
Once Upon A Child	(319) 378-9844
Plato’s Closet	(319) 247-1821
Play It Again Sports	(319) 366-8664
Positively Plus	(319) 362-4032
Rags to Riches.	(319) 377-6766
Score Bid – e-bay consignment	(319) 366-1554
Stuff Etc.	(319) 373-2380
Welter Storage Equipment Co. Inc.	(319) 393-4043

Donate To Non-Profits

Crossroads Mission (clothing)	(319) 365-0707
Goodwill Stores	(319) 654-9585
Habitat for Humanity ReStore	(319) 294-1500
Lion’s Club Eyeglass Deposit Boxes	
Nelson/Hinzman Center	(319) 398-3600
Olivett Presbyterian Church Clothes Closet	(319) 364-7946
Public Libraries	
Salvation Army.	(319) 365-9333
Southeast Linn Community Center	(319) 455-2844
St. Vincent De Paul	(319) 365-5091
Treasures.	(319) 364-1988
We Care Shop	(319) 364-8909

Solid Waste Agency Services

Recycling Services (p.6): Appliances, bedding, bicycles, clothing, fluorescent bulbs (long tubes & CFLs), leather shoes/purses, linens, plastic bags/wrap, scrap metal (exercise equipment, file cabinets, metal desks, propane tanks), textiles, tires, used vegetable oil

Pollution Prevention Center (p.10): Aerosol cans, chemicals, fire extinguisher, mercury thermometers, thermostats (with mercury switches)

Other Options

Charges may apply – contact businesses directly for more information.

Appliances	
CSG	(319) 369-0463
Moor's	(800) 435-1595
Confidential document destruction	
A-Tec Recycling	(800) 551-4912
Bacon Recycling.	(563) 926-2442
Document Destruction Services	(319) 363-0985
Fire extinguishers, empty	
Alter Scrap Metal	(319) 366-0441
Hawkeye Fire & Safety	(319) 363-9923
Marion Iron	(319) 377-1527
Metal hangers	
Dry cleaners & laundromats	
Plastic playground equipment (Little Tyke-type toys)	
BES Industrial Services, Inc..	(319) 366-7266
Propane tanks	
Amerigas Propane.	(319) 365-4647
Shoes	
Hands In Harmony.	(319) 366-5454
Running Wild (gently used athletic only).	(319) 378-8020
Small electrical appliances	
Best Buy	(319) 294-1030
Smoke detectors	
Return to manufacturer or place in garbage	

Building Materials Demolition/Renovation

Solid Waste Agency Services

Recycling Services (p.6): Asphalt shingles, scrap metal (chain link fencing, downspouts, gutters, metal siding, metal studs)

Wood Recovery (p.8): Waste wood products (plywood, cabinets, doors, siding, pallets, wood furniture)

Landfill (p.5): Concrete (clean; no dirt, wire, rebar), asbestos (non-friable, residents only)

Habitat for Humanity ReStore

350 6th Ave. SE, Cedar Rapids (319) 294-1500
ReStore reserves the right to refuse any item. Items not listed below are accepted on a case-by-case basis.

Block & brick - unbroken & neatly stacked
Cabinets - complete, no damage
Countertops - new or nearly new
Doors - interior, exterior & garage
Drywall - 4' x 4' or larger, no damage
Electrical - fixtures, parts & supplies
Fencing - wood & chain link
Hardware - SORTED; pulls, knobs, hinges, locks, nuts, bolts, nails, screws
Latex paint - never frozen
Light fixtures - no broken glass
Plumbing - nearly new fixtures, parts, piping & supplies; clean & drained
Wallpaper - full, unopened rolls; 3-roll minimum
Windows - no broken glass

Other Options

Charges may apply – contact businesses directly for more information.

Asbestos (friable)	
Affordable Hazards Removal, Inc.	(319) 362-5272
Iowa City Landfill & Recycling	(319) 356-5185
Asphalt, Brick, Concrete (clean – no dirt, wire, rebar)	
Wendling Quarry (asphalt & concrete only)	319-393-7925
Rock Hard Concrete Recyclers (at customer site only)	319-643-4222

Building Materials **New Construction**

Solid Waste Agency Services

Recycling Services (p.6): Asphalt shingles, batteries, bottles and cans, buckets (clean), cardboard, paper, plastic bags, plastic wrap, scrap metal (pipes, structural steel, wire)

Wood Recovery (p.8): Dimensional scrap lumber (clean), pallets

Habitat for Humanity ReStore

350 6th Ave. SE, Cedar Rapids (319) 294-1500

ReStore reserves the right to refuse any item. Items not listed below are accepted on a case-by-case basis.

Carpet & carpet padding - new or remnants only
Flooring, wood & tile - all sizes, broken or chipped is OK
Ceiling tile - new boxes
Insulation - wrapped, full bags
Lumber - must be at least 4 ft. long, OSB/plywood, dimensional lumber
Tools - working condition, related to construction/demolition

Other Options

Charges may apply – contact businesses directly for more information.

Curbside-type recyclables	
Bacon Recycling.	(563) 926-2442
City Carton Company	(319) 362-8714
HMR Home & Business Recyclers	(319) 365-1620
North Cedar Recycling.	(563) 942-2072
Scrap metal	
Alter Scrap Metal	(319) 366-0441
Knutson Metal Co., Inc.	(319) 366-3581
Marion Iron	(319) 377-1527
Pallets	
Addoco, Inc.	(563) 557-1555
Irwin, Inc.	(563) 659-9323
Pallet Recovery inc.	(888) 724-0522
PalTech Enterprises	(800) 949-1006
Vinyl siding	
City Carton Company	(319) 362-8714

Electronics

Solid Waste Agency Services

Recycling Services (p.6): All electronics (listed below) are accepted at both Agency locations for recycling. (Linn County residents only)

Other Options

Charges may apply – contact businesses directly for more information.

All electronics	
A-Tec Recycling	(800) 551-4912
Midwest Electronic Recovery	(319) 845-2001
Reliable Recycling, Inc. (except TVs)	(319) 363-6863
Batteries - household, button (hearing aids), rechargeable	
BatteriesPlus	(319) 447-4640
Best Buy	(319) 294-1030
Interstate All Battery Center	(319) 362-8330
CDs/DVDs/Videos	
ACT	(800) 359-4607
Public Libraries	
Reliable Recycling, Inc.	(319) 363-6863
Computers and related equipment	
A-Tec Recycling	(800) 551-4912
Goodwill of the Heartland	(319) 393-3434
Mailboxes & Parcel Plus.	(319) 862-1730
REACT Center	(319) 393-9632
Ink and toner cartridges	
OfficeMax	(319) 395-9212
Rapid Refill	(319) 377-5477
Staples	(319) 396-6400 or (319) 294-0579
Televisions	
Best Buy (up to 32").	(319) 294-1030

Most ELECTRONICS can be recycled, including...

- | | | |
|------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|
| Audio/visual equipment | Computers/laptops | Palm pilots |
| Blu-ray players | Computer hard drives | Radios |
| Cameras – film/digital | Computer software | Record players |
| Cameras – movie/video | Printers/copiers/scanners | Satellite dishes |
| Cassette players | DVD players | Stereos |
| CDs/DVDs/Videos | Extension cords | Speakers |
| CD players | Fax machines | Televisions |
| Cell phones | iPod/MP3 players | Toner cartridges |
| Christmas lights | Keyboards | VCRs |
| Clocks | Monitors | Video game consoles |

Farms/Agriculture

Solid Waste Agency Services

Recycling Services (p.6): Appliances, electronics (old computer equipment), plastic wrap (bale, etc.), scrap metal, syringes/needles (secure in rigid, puncture resistant, leak-proof container sealed with duct tape), tires

Pollution Prevention Center (p.10): Hazardous materials such as banned or unlabeled pesticides, cleaning solvents, combustible fuels, diesel or gas, leftover labeled pesticides, lubricants, rust removal products, vehicle maintenance drips/spills, wood preservatives.

Note: By law, hazardous materials originating from a farm operation must be treated like a business. Call the PPC at (319) 377-5290 to discuss the advantage of affordable hazardous materials disposal services.

Other Options

Charges may apply – contact businesses directly for more information.

Farm equipment and vehicles	
Trade in, part out, or salvage for scrap metal value	
Compressed tanks, oxygen/gas	
Airgas	(319) 366-1574
Medication	
Return to supplier or seal in plastic bag to landfill	
Never flush medication into sanitary sewer systems or septic tanks	
Plastic shrink wrap	
City Carton Company	(319) 362-8714
Super sacks (recycling depends on contents of the sacks)	
BES Industrial Services, Inc..	(319) 366-7266
Bulk Bag Services.	(319) 286-0984
City Carton Company	(319) 362-8714

Farm*A*Syst

For additional information on farm waste management refer to the Iowa Farm Bureau's *Farm*A*Syst* educational materials, which can be found at www.iowafarmbureau.com.

Hazardous Materials

Solid Waste Agency Services

Residential

Pollution Prevention Center (p.10): FREE drop off

Recycling Services Center (p.6): FREE drop off of antifreeze, batteries, fluorescent bulbs, motor oil, oil filters, syringes/sharps

Landfill (p.5): Asbestos (non-friable, residents only)

Businesses

Conditionally Exempt Small Quantity Generators (CESQG) – Affordable service allows Linn County CESQG, businesses that generate less than 220 pounds of hazardous materials per month and store less than 1,000 pounds, to safely dispose of hazardous materials.

Learn more about hazardous material services, visit www.SolidWasteAgency.org or call (319) 377-5290

Other Options

Charges may apply – contact businesses directly for more information.

Small and Large Quantity Generators – Companies generating more than 100 kilograms (220 pounds) of hazardous waste per month must obtain an identification number from the EPA which is used in reporting and tracking the history of hazardous waste disposal and recycling.

Advanced Waste Services	(800) 842-9792
Barton Solvents	(515) 265-7998
Clean Harbors Environmental Systems	(515) 262-2638
Heritage Environmental Services	(877) 436-8778
Pollution Control Industries	(219) 397-3951
PSC	(816) 474-1391
Safety Kleen.	(563) 386-3024
Veolia Environmental Services.	(630) 218-1756

Materials Banned from Iowa Landfills

These items require special handling and are not accepted at the PPC.

Ammunition and explosives	
Local police or Linn County Sheriff	
Asbestos (friable)	
Licensed abatement contractor	
Iowa City Landfill & Recycling	(319) 356-5185
Compressed gas cylinders (i.e. oxygen, helium, etc.)	
Airgas (all but poisonous gases and propane tanks)	(319) 366-1574
Medical waste (syringes/sharps)	
Medical Waste Professional	319-378-1070
Steri Cycle	319-365-1450

Motor Vehicles

Solid Waste Agency Services

Recycling Services (p.6): Antifreeze, batteries, motor oil, oil filters, tires

Pollution Prevention Center (p.10): Cleaners (degreasers, engine, soap, tire, wax) and fluids (brake, freon, fuel, radiator, transmission)

Other Options

Charges may apply – contact businesses directly for more information.

Antifreeze (must be in antifreeze container)	
H & S Auto Repair	(319) 377-9529
Diesel Turbo Service.	(319) 895-6092
Iowa Gold Distributing.	(319) 842-2536
Batteries	
Swap old with retailer when purchasing new	
Scrap metal dealers (check yellow pages)	
Freon	
H & S Auto Repair	(319) 377-9529
Master Auto	(319) 842-2281
Fuel (gasoline, diesel)	
Acterra Group	(319) 377-6357
Motor oil and oil filters	
Most oil change/lube companies and service stations allow FREE drop-off of five gallons of motor oil or less and FREE drop-off of oil filters.	
Iowa Gold Distributing (businesses only).	(319) 842-2536
Master Auto (businesses only).	(319) 842-2281
Tires	
Leave old tires behind when purchasing new	
Iowa Gold Distributing (businesses only).	(319) 842-2536
Liberty Tire	(515) 262-4900

Want to recycle something not listed in the Companion?

Contact the Iowa Waste Exchange at (319) 365-9941 ext. 21 for FREE, non-regulatory and confidential assistance!

Packaging & Shipping

Solid Waste Agency Services

Recycling Services (p.6): Cardboard boxes, metal drums (open top or bottom cut out, free of concrete, fluids, plastic and wood)

Wood Recovery (p.8): Pallets and other waste wood products

Other Options

Charges may apply – contact businesses directly for more information.

Bulk bags/super sacks	
BES Industrial Service, Inc.	(319) 366-7266
Bulk Bag Services.	(319) 286-0984
City Carton Company	(319) 362-8714
Cardboard/Gaylord boxes	
Bacon Recycling.	(563) 926-2442
City Carton Company	(319) 362-8714
HMR Home & Business Recyclers.	(319) 365-1620
Metal drums	
Alter Scrap Metal	(319) 366-0441
Knutson Metal Co., Inc.	(319) 366-3581
Marion Iron	(319) 377-1527
Molded styrofoam blocks	
Foam Fabricators, Inc..	(319) 372-0400
Pallets	
Addoco, Inc..	(563) 557-1555
Irwin, Inc.	(563) 659-9323
Pallet Recovery Inc.	(888) 724-0522
PalTech Enterprises	(319) 443-2700
Plastic bubble wrap/peanuts	
Local shipping stores	
Peanut Hotline (loosefillpackaging.com)	(800) 828-2214
Plastic drums	
BES Industrial Service, Inc.	(319) 366-7266
Plastic shrink wrap	
City Carton Company	(319) 362-8714
Tyvek envelopes	
E.I. Dupont (provides recycling envelopes).	(866) 338-9835

Restaurants

Solid Waste Agency Services

Recycling Services (p.6): All curbside-type recyclables: cardboard, glass jars, metal and aluminum cans and lids, paper, plastics #1-7 (including #6 plastic party cups), appliances

Yard Waste/Compost (p.9): Biodegradable cups, cutlery and plates; paper napkins and towels; pre-consumer kitchen waste. *Arrangements must be made with the compost site supervisor at (319) 398-5163.*

Other Options

Charges may apply – contact businesses directly for more information.

Appliances	
CSG	(319) 369-0463
Moor's	(800) 435-1595
Curbside-type recyclables	
Check if solid waste hauler offers recycling services	
Bacon Recycling.	(563) 926-2442
City Carton Company	(319) 362-8714
HMR Home & Business Recyclers.	(319) 365-1620
North Cedar Recycling	(563) 942-2072
Leftover food (especially when catering special events)	
Green Square Meals.	(319) 365-6652
Mission of Hope	(319) 362-5559
Salvation Army	(319) 364-2273
Fryer oil/grease	
Darling International, Inc.	(402) 291-8800

Community Partnership Grant Program

The Community Partnership Grant Program funds waste diversion and recycling projects. CPGP applications can be found on line at www.SolidWasteAgency.org!

Special Events

Wedding receptions, company picnics, reunions, festivals, community celebrations, marathons, fun runs, parades, golf outings, county fairs, basketball tournaments, bike rides, pancake breakfast, steak and fish fries, art festivals... anywhere people gather to celebrate and have fun!

Solid Waste Agency Services

X-Stream Recycling Bin Reservations:

FREE use of X-Stream bins and bags for special event recycling. Call (319) 377-5290 to reserve.

Three types of bins are available:

- 5¢ deposit bottles/cans
- Curbside-type recyclables
- Compostables

Did you know?

About 70% of special event waste consists of food, paper and plastic – all of which can be recycled if a collection plan has been made.

Recycling Services (p.6): Curbside-type recyclables such as cardboard, paper, plastic drink bottles, #6 plastic party cups

Yard Waste/Compost (p.9): Compostables such as biodegradable products, paper products, pre-consumer kitchen waste. *Arrangements must be made with compost site supervisor at (319) 398-5163.*

Other Options

Charges may apply – contact businesses directly for more information.

5¢ deposit bottles/cans	
Can Shed	(319) 366-1300
Retailers/redemption centers	
Curbside-type recyclables	
Check if solid waste hauler offers recycling services	
Bacon Recycling.	(563) 926-2442
City Carton Company	(319) 362-8714
HMR Home & Business Recyclers.	(319) 365-1620
North Cedar Recycling	(563) 942-2072
Leftover food	
Green Square Meals.	(319) 365-6652
Mission of Hope	(319) 362-5559
Salvation Army	(319) 364-2273
Waypoint	(319) 365-1458
Linn Community Food Bank	(319) 364-3543

The Agency & Its Services

Mission

Ensuring the health, safety and welfare of Linn County residents by managing discarded materials as resources in a way that is cost-effective and environmentally sound.

About the Agency

The Cedar Rapids/Linn County Solid Waste Agency is an intergovernmental agency created in 1994 through Iowa Code Chapter 28E when the City of Cedar Rapids and Linn County combined resources. All Linn County residents and businesses are welcome to use any Agency service.

Governing Board

Solid Waste Agency activities are governed by a board of directors comprised of local elected or appointed officials. The board typically meets on the third Tuesday of the month. Public input and participation are welcome.

Environmental Management System

The Solid Waste Agency uses an Environmental Management System (EMS), which is an organized and formal approach to managing environmental issues within an organization. The Agency takes a proactive approach to environmental concerns by establishing policy, conducting planning, implementing programs and procedures, monitoring performance and holding periodic reviews of all practices which have an environmental impact.

Community Services

Classroom/Community Education: Presentations about the Agency's services or a variety of environmental topics are available. The talks range in length and can be structured for any age group. Our staff includes an Iowa-licensed teacher who can help with the development of environmental curriculum or projects.

Community Partnership Grant Program: This program provides up to \$10,000 in funding for recycling and other environmental projects. Applications and guidelines are available on the Agency website.

Iowa Waste Exchange (319) 365-9941 ext. 21

The Iowa Waste Exchange provides free, non-regulatory and confidential waste reduction and recycling technical assistance. Specific market and referral information is maintained using a state-wide database to link waste generators with interested parties.

Public Tours: Learn where garbage goes after it is picked up at the curb during a public tour at either Agency location. Most tours last 45 minutes to one hour and are limited to 30 people. Please make reservations at least 10 days in advance. With all tours, weather and safety restrictions apply.

Technical Assistance: Not sure how or where to go to reduce materials you are sending to the landfill? Agency employees provide technical assistance to help customers be more "green!" Call 319-377-5290 for more information.

Waste Sort Supplies: A waste sort shows the amount of waste generated and what percentage can be recycled. The Agency can provide the necessary supplies (bins, tarps, scales and technical assistance) to conduct a waste sort and analyze your waste stream.

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RECYCLING just **3** materials
will make a **BIG DIFFERENCE**
in doing the **RIGHT THING** for
CEDAR RAPIDS/LINN COUNTY

14% PAPER

9% PLASTIC

6% SCRAP METAL

These 3 materials make up 29% of
the waste currently landfilled...

OVER 50,000 TONS
of recyclables

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