

April 15, 2010

Dear Customer,

The City of Clayton in cooperation with Allied Waste Services is pleased to announce an improvement to the current recycling program. The program when fully implemented will operate as an automated collection system. Automated collection is a system where garbage containers are lifted and emptied by using a mechanical arm on a collection vehicle.

The program also involves the use of a specially designed wheeled container to hold and transport your recyclable materials. The containers are 65-gallon, in size and hold over three times as much as the current recycling bins. The containers also have a lid which is imprinted with a listing of acceptable materials for your reference. The increased capacity of the containers provides the opportunity to change the collection schedule to an every other week pick-up which results in a reduced carbon footprint and less wear and tear on the road system

Some of the other benefits of an automated collection system are as follows:

- It prevents the spread of recyclables in your neighborhood by animals and wind
- There is a cost savings because the system is more efficient and it reduces job-related injuries
- Encouraging residents to take advantage of the increased opportunity to recycle diverts recyclable materials from future deposit at a landfill
- Conserve natural resources, reduces energy usage and prevents pollution

Your new container will be delivered sometime between May 24, 2010 and June 4, 2010. For your planning purposes you only need to plan a small space, about the size of a regular trash can for storage of the container. Along with the delivery of the container you will receive a 2010 pick-up schedule which we encourage you to affix to your container and a brochure which provides more program detail.

If you have any questions about the program, please call Allied Waste at 268-8110.

Sincerely,

Don Baer,
Allied Waste Services