

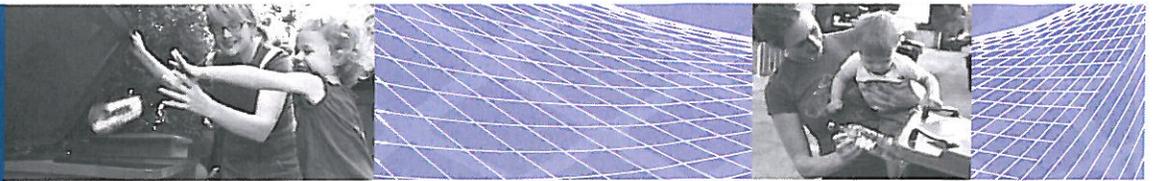
December 2012

# News

About Improvements  
to Your Recycling  
Pickup & Schedule

Village of  
**Akron**  
Town of  
**Newstead**

Please keep & refer  
to this guide to assist  
with the transition to  
the Town's new  
recycling program.



## A Message from the Village of Akron Board of Trustees and the Newstead Town Board

The Village of Akron and the Town of Newstead have entered into a joint agreement with Modern Disposal Services, Inc. for refuse and recycling services. Included in the contract which begins in January 2013 are changes which will reduce our costs by facilitating an increase in recycling on the part of the Village of Akron and the Town of Newstead residents and businesses. **The more we recycle and dispose less of, the lower our costs will be.**

Residents will be receiving a 65 gallon recycling cart beginning the week of January 7, 2013. These carts are high quality, will be easy to store, and easy to handle. They come with a strong cover which should keep recyclable items contained when high winds blow.

Garbage collection for both Village of Akron and Town of Newstead will be weekly on Friday, recyclables will be picked up every other week (A or B) on a Friday beginning January 18, 2013, as noted on the maps provided.

We know that change can present challenges along with opportunities - we believe this new system will greatly benefit the Village of Akron and the Town of Newstead. The attached recycling guide shows you how easy it is to recycle. The list of acceptable items has grown and there is no need to separate these items, as collection and processing is now *Single Stream Recycling*, which uses the latest, state of the art technology, to collect and sort recyclables at Modern's facility.

If you only gather enough recycling to have your cart picked up once a month, roll it out for collection when it's full and on Friday when it's your week (A or B). You can keep your current hand tote and when it's full, carry it over and dump into your cart however for collection curbside, you must use your cart.

The cost of refuse and recycling services will be substantially reduced going forward as we recycle more and put less in the landfill. Let's all do our part to reduce what we throw away by recycling more!

Together we **all** can make a difference!

## Important Dates to Remember

### Collection Changes

The Town of Newstead Recycling & Trash collection will change from Thursday to Friday beginning in Jan. 2013. The Village of Akron will continue to be collected on Friday.

### Fri. Jan. 18th, 2013

Every other week recycling will begin. Please see attached maps & calendar to find your collection week.

**Carts will be delivered starting January 7th.**





## Recycling F.A.Q.'s



### Why is recycling collection changing to every other week?

By changing to a cart based recycling program residents will have much more storage capacity than their current recycling bin. Because of this increase there is less need to have it picked up every week. There is a cost savings associated with every other week recycling pickup. It also has the added benefits of reducing the environmental & infrastructure impact that having collection vehicles on the street every week presents.

### What items can be recycled?

Please use the *Materials Guidelines* in this newsletter for a menu of what can be recycled in your cart.

### Commonly asked questions about recyclable materials

#### ***Is plastic from packaging, aluminum foil or plastic wrap recyclable?***

Aluminum foil is acceptable. Plastic wrap or plastic 'blister pack' from packaging is not.

#### ***Do the lids have to come off of jars & containers?***

No they do not need to be removed.

#### ***Are clothes or rags recyclable?***

No, please contact a Goodwill or Salvation Army to donate used clothing.

#### ***Are branches/leaves/grass recyclable?***

No, please follow your municipal regulations on yard waste.

#### ***Are metal hangers recyclable?***

No, the hooks catch on recycling equipment causing jams and damage. Please contact your local dry cleaner as they may reuse them.

#### ***Are books recyclable?***

Yes, but hardcovers need to be removed.

#### ***Are cassette/ VCR tapes recyclable?***

No, not at this time.

#### ***Where can I recycle my electronics?***

Please contact your municipality for electronic recycling centers.

#### ***Is plastic silverware recyclable?***

No, not at this time.

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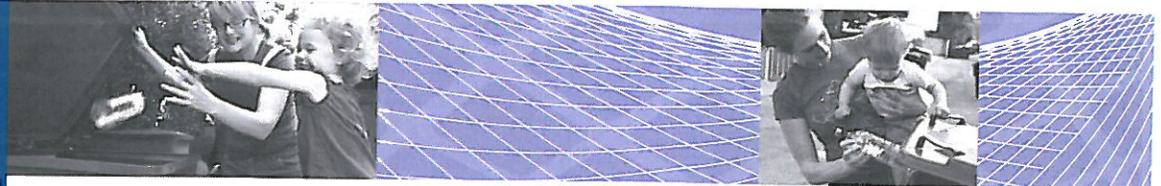
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### Informational Open House

Saturday  
Dec. 15th 2012

9AM-12PM

Highway Facility  
12707 Clarence  
Center Rd.  
Akron, NY 14001

Please join us for an informational demonstration of the town's new cart based recycling program.