Multifamily Outreach in Pierce County
Pierce County overview

Service providers

- Waste Connections Companies
- Murrey's Disposal Company, Inc.
- LRI
- LeMay
- University Place

Population
- 861,000 total
- 641,000 in solid waste system

Households
- 196,000 single family
- 46,000 multifamily
Recycling program

**RECYCLING**

**PLASTIC**
- bottles (non-prescription ok)
- jugs
- tubs and jars
- buckets and plant pots
- Recycle plastics by shape. FM numbers/symbols on packaging.

**PAPER**
- refrigerated cartons
- paper boxes
- mixed paper
- shredded paper must be in a paper bag
- paper bags and cardboard
- flaten boxes

**METAL**
- aluminum cans
- metal cans

**GARBAGE**
- plastic packaging
- crinkly plastics
- non-refrigerated cartons
- foam trays and containers
- aluminum foil, pens and plates

**SINGLE-USE ITEMS:**
- paper plates
- paper towels and napkins
- paper cups
- plastic cups
- utensils and straws
- coffee pods
- prescription bottles
- greasy pizza boxes
- all lids

**DROP-OFF**
- glass
- plastic bags and wrap (at participating grocery stores)
- household hazards

Want to know what belongs in the garbage? piercecountywa.org/reminders

piercecountywa.org/recycle
Dear Resident,

Mountain Vista Apartments needs your help to make recycling successful and keep waste costs down for all of us. Please do not put garbage in the dark blue recycling containers!

You received a door hanger with a magnet that shows you what to recycle and what to throw away.

Please tear off the magnet and put it on your refrigerator.

If you need another one, please go to the Manager’s Office.

Recycle!

Remember to always recycle:
- Cardboard boxes (flattened)
- Aluminum cans
- Plastic bottles

Questions?
piecouncil.org/recycle or (253) 798-2179

Thank you for your help to make recycling successful!

Tips and Reminders

Don’t bag your recyclables!
Recyclables should be loose when they go into the recycling container outside. If you use a bag to take out the recycling, please empty and reuse it.

Kids and chores
If your children take out the garbage and recycling please go with them a few times to make sure they put things in the right containers, and that the recyclables go loose into the container.

Nearby Glass Drop-off Site
next to Sumner Food Bank
15625 E Main St. | Open 24/7

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Moving?
Find options for recycling or donating items you don’t want to bring with you.
piercecountywa.org/recycle
Feedback and follow up

Recycling report card

We looked in the garbage at both Addison Greens and River Trail to see how much of it was recyclable.

Right now, residents at Addison Greens are better recyclers. To help everyone do better, you are receiving a door hanger with reminders for recycling, garbage and drop-off options. Please tear off the magnet and put it on your refrigerator.

Recyclables in the garbage by location

Always recycle:
1. Cardboard (flattened boxes first)
2. Aluminum cans
3. Plastic bottles

Thank you for recycling!
It's the right thing to do!

piercecountywa.org/recycle
Tackle Holiday Waste

Packaging: It's the unintended "gift" of the holiday season. From bubble wrap to sello tape to buying plastic on sale in every shape and size, your trash bin could fill up much too quickly. And while your good intentions might whisper, "just recycle it," doing so may contaminate the rest of your recycling and cause even more waste.

Tips for a Sustainable Season:
- Stick with simple wrapping paper (no tape or metallic ribbons)
- Package fragile gifts with newspaper instead of foam peanuts.
- Use gift bags, bows, ribbon and other wrapping materials.
- Make your own recyclable gift wrap by decollaging paper bags and newspapers.
- Avoid单一-packaged products by giving the gift of experiences.

Find more ideas at: piercecountywa.org/lessewaste.

Recycle, Reuse or Garbage? Details inside.
Consistent service

Standard colors
Consistent service

Standard labels

MIXED RECYCLING

DO NOT BLOCK

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(253) 414-0361 dm-recycling.com
What multifamily outreach feels like...
Mountain Vista

60 units
Murrey’s Disposal
Tips

Check in frequently, especially at first.
Communicate with everyone.
Stone Pointe

240 units
University Place Refuse & Recycling
Tips

Tackle the problem in stages.
Meet face-to-face with property managers.
Lakeshore

Tacoma (unincorporated PC)

383 units
LeMay Pierce County Refuse
Tips

Relationships matter.
There is no shortcut or magic solution.