

# Your Participation Matters!

Each year in this country more than 200 million tons of trash are buried in our landfills. As disposal costs continue to rise, recycling is becoming an economical and environmental alternative to landfilling.

The North Carolina Senate and House have made recycling an integral part of the state's solid waste management plan by passing legislation encouraging communities to recycle. By reducing, reusing and recycling material today, we will most certainly leave a more manageable world for our children and grandchildren.



This recycling program is designed to provide you with the most convenient service available. Each week, a GDS recycling truck will collect recyclables from your curbside. Just follow the directions in this brochure to properly prepare your recyclables for collection.

## Recycle Glass

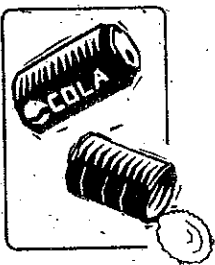
**RECYCLE** all glass food jars and beverage bottles.



**DO NOT** put these items in your recycling bin: light bulbs, cookware, mirrors, window (plate) glass, ceramic dishes, drinking glasses, or medicine bottles. For safety reasons, please do not put broken glass in your recycling bin.

## Recycle Cans

**RECYCLE** all food and beverage cans.



**DO NOT** put these items in your recycling bin: aluminum foil, aluminum pie plates or any other type of metal.

## Recycle Paper

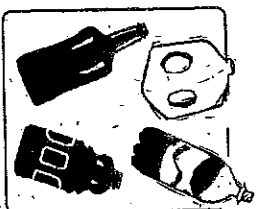
**RECYCLE** all newspapers and any inserts that come with them, magazines, catalogs, and phone books.



**DO NOT** put these items in your recycling bin: boxes, mail, bags, or any other type of paper.

## Recycle Plastic

**RECYCLE** all milk jugs and all plastic drink bottles with the #1 or #2 symbol (shown below). The symbol is printed on or near the bottom of most bottles for soft drinks, liquor, juice, mineral water, and sport drinks.



**DO NOT** put #3 - #7 plastics in the bin.



### **Before Putting Recyclables in Your Bin, ALWAYS:**

1. Remove and throw away all lids & caps.
2. Rinse all containers.
3. Flatten all plastics.

### **NEVER**

put your recyclables in plastic or paper bags. Use an open box to store overflow material. The box will be left for you to use again.