

## **SOUTHWEST NEBRASKA SOLID WASTE AGENCY**

### **RECYCLING INFORMATION**

Southwest Nebraska Solid Waste Agency is a combined operation of the City of Imperial and Chase County that is charged with the responsibility of solid waste management, including waste reduction.

The recycling center is a **24-hour-a-day drop off** located on the east edge of Imperial on Highway 6. Entrance to the building is through a walk-in door on the east side of the building. Bins can be accessed easily from a lighted walkway inside the building and are labeled with the materials that are accepted. Please be very careful to drop off only those items listed. Increased costs of labor and disposal for materials that contaminate the saleable items may threaten the overall survival of the program.

#### **When leaving items for recycling, please be sure to empty materials out of paper or plastic sacks!!**

Paper sacks can be recycled by depositing them in the outdoor bin reserved for corrugated cardboard. Additional labor is required to remove materials from sacks and boxes prior to processing.

**Steel Cans** – All steel cans (tin cans) can be recycled. The cans should be clean. Lids may be recycled as long as they do not have a rubber coating or seal. Please leave the lids attached to the can with a short edge to make handling safer for yourself and the workers.

**Aluminum** – Aluminum beverage cans should be rinsed. All other types of aluminum (yard chairs, window frames, etc.) should be inspected by a staff member prior to drop off. Some of these items may be accepted for recycling, but must be free of all rivets, rubber gaskets, fabric, etc. prior to disposal.

**Plastic** – Acceptable materials include any plastic containers with recycling numbers 1 through 7. Please rinse the containers and remove lids.

**Newspaper** – All newsprint, along with colored flyers, cartoons, and "stuffers" are acceptable for recycling. Please remove newsprint from sacks or boxes and deposit directly into bins provided.

**Magazines** – All magazines, including catalogs and other "slick" paper can be recycled. Discarded books can also be recycled, but covers must be removed.

**Cardboard** – Corrugated cardboard and paperboard should be deposited in the outdoor fenced area located on the southeast corner of the building. Paperboard includes such things as facial tissue boxes, food packaging such as cereal or other prepared foods. Brown paper grocery bags can also be recycled in this area.

**Glass** - All types of glass food and beverage containers, kitchen glass and small window glass can be recycled. Broken glass is acceptable. Please remove lids and deposit glass in the appropriate bin. **Do not leave glass inside boxes or sacks.**