Take note of how you can enhance your recycling efforts to reduce recycling contamination.

## THE GOAL

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Keep millions of tons of material from being disposed in the trash each year by recycling while providing manufacturers with needed materials to make new products with recycled content.

## THE PROBLEM

"Recycling contamination" is anything that finds its way into a recycling bucket, bin or cart that does not belong there. Some examples are plastic bags, plastic syringes, auto parts, garden hoses, bowling balls, Styrofoam cups, and trash.

## THE EFFECT

**Recycling contamination creates** serious quality control issues, poses a health and safety threat to recycling center workers, and negatively affects the economics of recycling.

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PROTECTION

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## THE SOLUTION

If unsure about whether your municipal or county recycling program accepts a certain material, visit your local recycling website or the Recycle Coach app for detailed information.

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