

The Portage County Solid Waste Management District is asking that all residents refrain from putting their recyclables in plastic bags. Plastic bags are often wet or have food waste on them when placed in the curbside recycling and contaminate other materials. Additionally, at recycling facilities, these plastics can jam sorting and processing equipment, leading to frequent shutdowns so workers can remove the tangled materials. The downtime results in higher processing costs which are passed on to the District.



You can recycle your plastic bags at the grocery store or contact your local Lions Club. Many of them are collecting plastic bags and receiving a new park bench for every 500 pounds they turn in.

PORTAGE COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT 2021 ACCEPTABLE MATERIALS FOR RECYCLING



ALUMINUM AND STEEL CANS
PLEASE RINSE THEM OUT



CARDBOARD



CARTONS, PLEASE RINSE THEM OUT



GLASS BOTTLES AND JARS, PLEASE RINSE THEM OUT



NEWSPAPER, JUNK MAIL, MAGAZINES



PLASTIC BOTTLES AND JUGS, PLEASE RINSE THEM OUT