



Garland, TX, Rolls Out Carts with The Recycling Partnership

Feb. 6, 2018 – Falls Church, VA. The Recycling Partnership is pleased to announce its latest city partner, and the first in the Lone Star State: Garland, TX. Here are the key details:

- In late January, the City rolled out carts to **9,900** households, completing the city's five-year push to replace the city's 18-gallon recycling bins with more convenient 96-gallon carts for all of Garland's 240,000+ residents.
- As a result of this programmatic upgrade, the city anticipates an increase of **2,000 tons per year.**
- This equates to **4,381 metric tons of greenhouse gas avoidance.**
- The Recycling Partnership is supporting the roll-out with grant dollars, technical assistance, and educational resources.
- Garland is the 15th community the Partnership has teamed up with to put recycling carts on the ground, bringing the total number of carts the organization has put on the ground to **over 412,000**.
- "We are pleased to support the City of Garland as they finalize a multi-year effort to provide residents with carts, proven as the most effective vehicle for curbside recycling," said Justin Gast, Technical Assistance Specialist for The Recycling Partnership. "We look forward to creating more change across the Dallas/Fort Worth Metroplex and State of Texas in the coming years."
- "I would like to thank The Recycling Partnership for their time, resources, and financial assistance as we mark a major milestone in the City of Garland," said Tiana Lightfoot Svendsen, Garland's Environmental Outreach Coordinator. "I encourage residents to utilize their new blue cart and take this opportunity to refresh their knowledge on what goes in it. Acceptable recyclable materials are listed on the Garland Environmental Waste Service's website and on the lid of the recycling cart. Together, we can make a more sustainable, healthier community."

Click <u>here</u> for photos from the cart launch.

About The Recycling Partnership

The Recycling Partnership (<u>http://recyclingpartnership.org</u>) is a national nonprofit organization that applies corporate partner funding to improve the recycling system in cities and towns

across the nation, thus increasing supplies of clean materials for manufacturing. The Recycling Partnership is the only organization in the country that engages the full recycling supply chain: from the corporations that manufacture products and packaging, to local government charged with recycling, to industry end markets, haulers, material recovery facilities, and converters, positively effecting recycling at every step in the process and transforming recycling in towns all across America. Between 2015 and today, The Recycling Partnership has assisted more than 500 communities with tools, resources and technical support. It has provided 400,000 recycling carts, reached 26 million households, and helped catalyze more than \$27 million in recycling infrastructure. In doing so, it has achieved results in the form of: 382 million gallons of water saved, 164,000 metric tons of greenhouse gas avoidance, reductions in targeted contamination rates, and an energy savings of 2.0 trillion BTU / year.