Recycling Procedures at UUCSS

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1. Location of Recycling Bins Throughout Church Facilities

To ensure that all users of church facilities are able to easily recycle appropriate waste, a blue recycling bin will be placed next to every waste bin in the church buildings.

To facilitate the return of the blue bins to their proper location, the Green Sanctuary Committee will label each bin with its location. All blue toters on wheels should remain outside by the dumpsters.

2. Proper Use of Blue Recycling Bins

To minimize the use of plastic bags, the preferred method is to NOT line the recycling bins with plastic liners.

The Green Sanctuary Committee will post and maintain signs above each recycling bin reminding our members and visitors to please ensure all recyclables are empty before placing them in the blue bin.

If a blue bin gets dirty, we ask that the church sexton periodically clean it. If a particular location of a blue bin is becoming repeatedly soiled (and especially if the area under the bin becomes soiled), then a plastic liner may be used for that location. However, the plastic bag liner must be used repeatedly, and not emptied with the recyclables.

3. Procedures for Disposing of Recyclables in Recycling Dumpsters

The blue recycling bins may be emptied directly into the recycling dumpster and returned to their location, or a <u>clear</u> trash bag may be used to transfer the recyclables. The preferred method is to dump all recyclables into the dumpster loosely, but under high volume conditions a CLEAR plastic bag with recyclables may be placed in the dumpster. <u>Plastic bags that are not completely clear must NEVER be used</u>. All plastic bags used as bin liners or to dump the recyclables will then be used to line trash cans.

4. Overflow Recycling

If there is more recycling than will fit in the recycling dumpster, then the excess recycling can be placed in CLEAR trash bags and temporarily stored in the blue toters on wheels that are located behind the dumpsters. When there is space available, the excess recycling can be dumped loosely or placed in the recycling dumpsters in clear plastic bags.