

Clear Alleys Program

Dear Resident,

Your building does not have space for garbage or recycle containers, so you must use **"Clear Alleys Program" (CAP)** bags in your home to collect garbage & recycling. Here's how to do it:

1 The manager/owner must make CAP bags available to residents.

We recommend that each household has access to at least 1 small garbage bag and 1 small recycle bag every week.

If you have trouble getting bags, you may report it anonymously at: bit.ly/requestbins.

2 Place your garbage in a Garbage CAP Bag



3 Place the items listed below in a Recycle CAP Bag:

- 1 Paper
- 2 Plastic bottles & containers
- 3 Metal cans
- 4 Glass bottles & jars

MUST be EMPTY, CLEAN & DRY



4 Set CAP bags out for collection in your building's designated area. Ask the manager/owner if you don't know where that is.



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- 5** Cardboard must be flattened, bundled, and placed in a box. Set it out next to the CAP bags for collection.



- 6** Use a food scrap container to store and transport food waste to your building's  **Compost green cart:**

- 1 Food scraps
- 2 Pizza boxes, napkins & paper towels
- 3 Compostable bags
- 4 Compostable food packaging
- 5 Yard waste & plants



If you need a food scrap container, ask the property manager for one.

Please follow these instructions to prevent fees for using non-CAP bags, which are illegal. In addition, you will also reduce trash and pest issues in the alleys and around your building.

By recycling and composting, you may decrease trash collection costs, in addition to helping the environment and following Seattle's law.

Questions?

If you have questions about how to dispose of materials, visit: [Seattle.gov/utilities/WhereDoesitGo](https://seattle.gov/utilities/WhereDoesitGo)

For other questions about **recycle** and **compost**, email AskEvelyn@seattle.gov or call (206) 684-8717



Where Does It Go? Tool



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[Seattle.gov/utilities/protecting-our-environment/seattle-clean-city/clear-alleys](https://seattle.gov/utilities/protecting-our-environment/seattle-clean-city/clear-alleys)

