



## Charleston County News Release

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# County Expands Single Stream Recycling Program

*Residential program expands again to an additional 9,000 homes*

[Charleston County's Environmental Management Department](#) is expanding the single stream residential recycling program to further efforts to make recycling more convenient for residents.

Beginning Friday, March 8, residents selected for Phase V will receive 95-gallon roll carts. Phase V, which totals 9,000 homes, includes the I'On neighborhood in Mt. Pleasant and the single family homes on the peninsula in Downtown Charleston.

Charleston County recycling crews will initiate single stream collection service for the new areas on Monday, March 18 as follows:

- Downtown Charleston
  - The collection schedule will change from receiving biweekly service on Thursdays to six new collection days occurring during the two week collection cycle.
  - The County recently mailed [notifications](#) to the residents in this area regarding the changes to their collection schedule.
- I'On neighborhood in Mt. Pleasant
  - Collection days will remain the same.

Residents are encouraged to retain their smaller recycling bins for use as recycling stations around their home, or they may stack their old, empty bins at the curb for pickup on the first day their new roll cart is serviced.

In January 2011, [Charleston County's Environmental Management Department](#) launched an automated, residential single stream recycling pilot called "All-In-One." Based on the success of the pilot, which showed higher participation rates and a significant increase in the amount of tons collected, the department has been incrementally expanding this program across the County.

"Charleston County is continuing with plans to expand this important program to make these carts available Countywide," said [Charleston County Councilmember Anna Johnson](#), who chairs Council's Recycling/Solid Waste Committee. "All-In-One recycling is a key component to reaching County Council's 40% recycling goal and extending the life of our landfill."

The County is currently in the process of transitioning from operating a dual stream recycling system, whereby residents separate their recyclables into two bins, to a single stream recycling system, which utilizes one 95-gallon roll cart. Residents are encouraged to place all paper products (including cardboard) and all commingled containers (plastics, glass, aluminum and steel) together in their new roll-cart. This "All-In-One" process is known as single stream recycling.

For more information on the single stream residential recycling, contact the Charleston County Environmental Management Department at (843) 720-7111, or visit



[recycle.charlestoncounty.org](http://recycle.charlestoncounty.org).

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