



COURTESY REMINDER

PLEASE SCREEN YOUR RECYCLING CART BY OCTOBER 1.

As most of you know, the City began a residential curbside Recycling Program in April. Since starting that program, the citizens of **Farmers Branch have recycled more than 552 TONS of material!** To those of you participating in this program, **THANK YOU** for such a great start!

As part of this new recycling program, all recycling carts must be stored in a manner where they are not visible from the street. This screening provision only applies to residences where recycling is collected at the street curb.

In order to give everyone ample time to determine how they wanted to store their recycling carts, the City implemented a six-month grace period from this screening requirement for all residences.

However, this six-month grace period will end on October 1, 2016. Any cart that is not stored out of sight from the street by October 1 will be in violation of this City ordinance. So, please make every effort to come into compliance with these screening requirements by **October 1.**

Recycling Carts can be screened from street view in the following manner:

1. In your side or rear yard behind a solid privacy fence.
2. In a garage or accessory building.
3. On the side of your house and screened using a simple, solid screening device (such as the example screening fence seen below). The screen should be at least four feet high and four feet wide to adequately screen the blue recycling cart. The City has prepared a video on how to "Do It Yourself" construct a screening fence at youtube.com/fbtv16. Anyone unable or that cannot afford to screen their cart MAY be able to receive assistance from community organizations.

If you do not intend to use your recycling cart, or no longer wish to participate in the curbside recycling program, please call the City to make arrangements to have your cart picked up at no additional charge.

If you have any questions regarding the recycling program, or these screening requirements, please feel free to contact the **Public Works Department at 972.919.2597.**



Example of 4'x4' wooden screening device