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CITY OF TUCSON ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Plastic Bags – the #1 Recycling Contaminant

After nearly 15 years of the Blue Barrel recycling program, plastic bags and film plastic continue to be the number one contaminant of recyclables. **Here's how plastic affects recycling:**

Damage to recycling equipment

Plastic can jam up sorting equipment at the recycling facility, causing multiple shutdowns in a day and long-term equipment maintenance issues.

Negative worker impacts

Recycling employees lose efficiency each time they stop work to safely untangle plastic from machinery.

Inability to recycle

Too many contaminants in a recycling load lessens the value of the entire load, with the potential that the service provider will not accept the materials.

Keep plastic bags and film plastic out of your Blue Barrel – instead recycle them at retail outlets and grocery stores so they can become fabric, carpet, and building products.



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For more information about the Sewer Outreach Subsidy Program, visit: www.pima.gov/wastewaterreclamation/subsidy

Depending on your income, you may be eligible for a reduction on your monthly sewer bill of

25%, 50% or 75%

To be eligible you must meet the following:

- Be a residential sewer customer
- Have a water/sewer bill in your name
- Meet combined household income requirements

Call **(520) 791-5443**

today to schedule an eligibility appointment!

Your utilities services statement includes fees for your water, environmental services, and wastewater.

Environmental Services (ES) (520) 791-3171 or visit tucsonaz.gov/environmental-services

Pima County Regional Wastewater Reclamation Department (PCRWRD) (520) 724-6500 or visit www.pima.gov/wastewaterreclamation