

Glass Recycling Information

What: Glass will no longer be required as part of single stream collection in Fairfax County. We encourage our customers to reuse glass containers or bring them to purple, glass-only recycling bins located throughout the region. Glass collected in the purple bins is brought to Big Blue (the County's Glass Recycling Machine) for processing. The glass is processed and utilized in county projects and other beneficial uses.

Why: During the collection, transportation, and sorting process for single stream recycling, glass is routinely broken and mixed with valuable materials. This broken glass can contaminate valuable recyclables. The abrasive broken glass damages the machinery at the recycling facility.

When: Beginning **October 1, 2019**, glass will no longer be required to be collected at curbside as a recyclable material.

Where: Glass bottles and jars may be brought to any purple containers located in Fairfax county, Alexandria, Arlington, and Prince William County or placed in the trash.

****Broken glass:** Carefully package into a rigid container. Label the package "GLASS" and set out with your trash for disposal. **

