

## Waste Management Annual Report to Commerce City

2015

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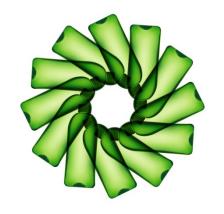


### Commerce City Is Thinking Green!

In 2015, Commerce City rolled out new residential trash and recycling collection services, switching to a fully automated cart collection system.

This change reduces environmental impacts, saves the City money and makes collection more efficient for everyone.

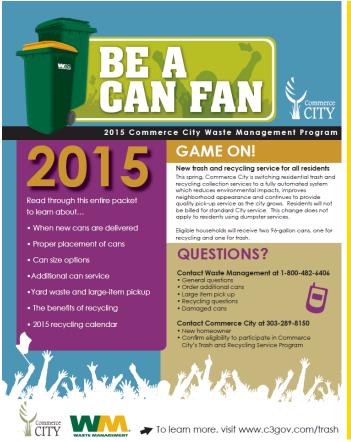
Waste Management worked closely with Commerce City to ensure a smooth transition.







### Outreach Activities Raised Awareness, Sparked Action





#### Your new cans arrive this week!

REMINDER: You will be receiving your new 96-gallon trash and recycling cans sometime this week.

- Once your new cans arrive, begin using them for all trash and recycling needs.
- Continue following your pick-up schedule unless you are notified of a change. Most households will not experience a change in schedule.
- Place your recycling in the can with the yellow lid and trash in the can with the green lid.
- Because the trucks are designed to automatically lift the new cans, items outside of these cans will not be picked up. All trash, recycling and yard waste materials MUST fit into these new WM issued cans, otherwise they will not be picked up.
- . Dumpster service does not change

#### General questions?

Contact Waste Management at 1-800-482-6406.

Contact the City of Commerce City at 303-289-8150, if you are a new homeowner or to confirm eligibility in the city's trash and recycling program.





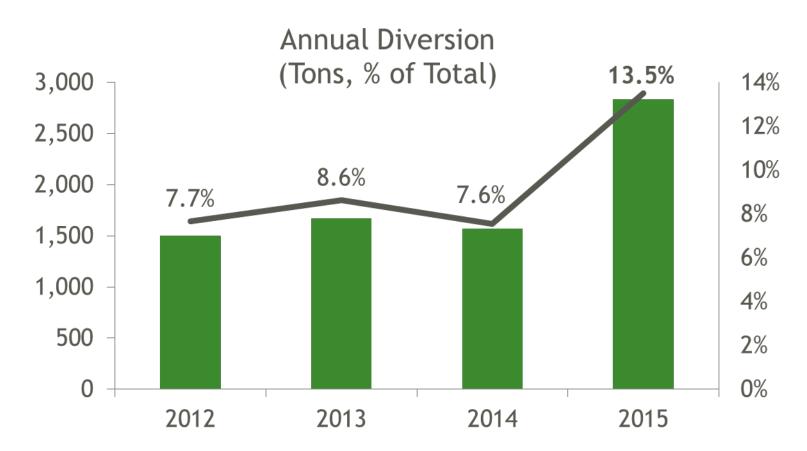






### Participation Increased Significantly

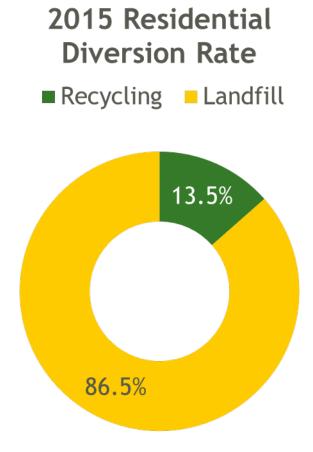
Implementing carts and a strong outreach plan led to higher diversion rates in 2015.





### Residents Recycled a Range of Materials

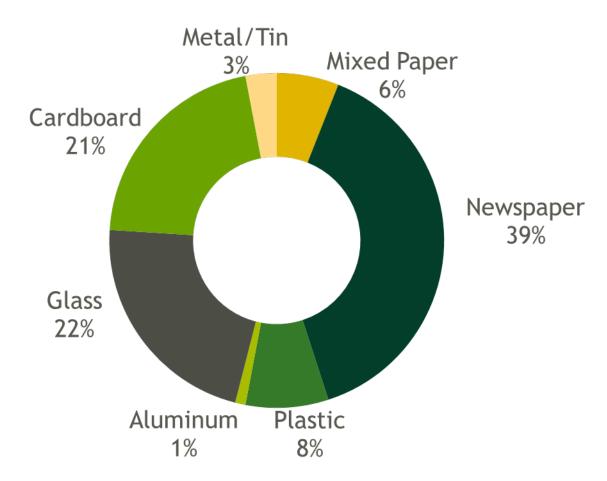
Commerce City residents recycled 2,835 tons of aluminum, cardboard, paper, scrap metals, glass and plastics #1-#7 in 2015.





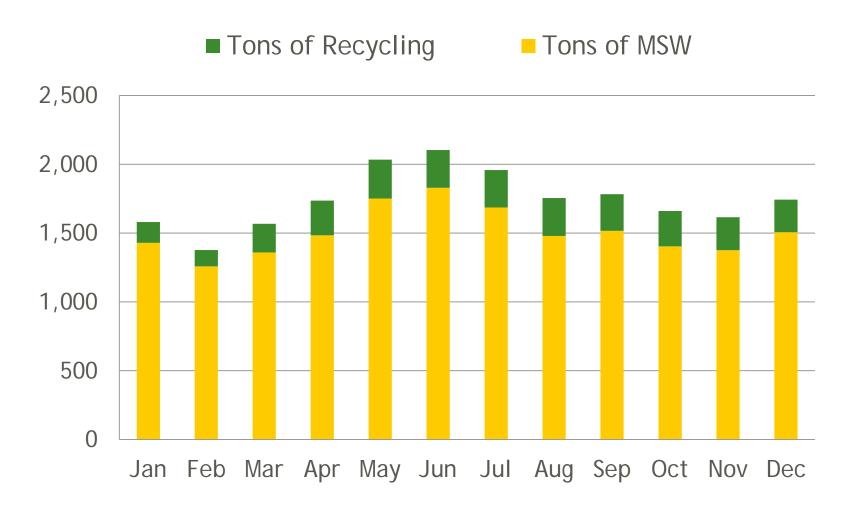
### Paper, Cardboard Dominated the Mix

#### Materials Diverted in 2015





### Volume Peaked in Summer Months





### Diverse Benefits for City, Residents

By recycling 2,835 tons, Commerce City conserved the following resources:



10,442,980 kWh of electricity Enough to power 870 homes for a year



194,300 gallons of oil Enough to heat and cool 962 homes for a year



44,838 gallons of gasoline Enough to drive 1,255,474 miles



37,705 mature trees Enough to produce 467,164,668 sheets of newspaper



13,077,852 gallons of water Enough to meet the fresh water needs of 697,485 people for a year



9,588 cubic yards of landfill airspace Enough to meet the disposal needs of 147,754 people



## Shrinking Carbon Footprint

7,581 tons of residential recycled material diverted since 2012

Over 16,890 metric tons of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent conserved



### Solar Compactors Support Recycling Efforts

In 2015, Commerce City introduced two Big Belly Solar compactors in two widely used public spaces. One unit is located at 5902 Holly St. at Pioneer Park; the other is located at 6060 Parkway Drive at the Commerce City Recreation Center.

Commerce City uses dual units for trash and recycling. These units reduce the cost of collection with super solar compaction power.

The solar compactors are pictured with artwork created by a Commerce City youth that is attached to the front and back of each unit. A Big Belly onsite display took place on July 21, 2015 at City Park.







### WM: Committed to Customer Service

Our team strives to deliver a quality experience for all of our customers.

Waste Management services an average of 14,612 homes each month in Commerce City.

With weekly trash, every-other-week recycling, and large-item pickup, this adds up to approximately 101,000 touchpoints each month and a total of 1,212,755 for the year.

# 99.95% Service Success Rate in 2015





| 2015 Customer Service Summary |       |
|-------------------------------|-------|
|                               | TOTAL |
| Extra cart purchases          | 680   |
| Bulk Pick Ups                 | 3,070 |
| Courtesy Pickups              | 1,376 |
| ETA                           | 344   |
| Missed Pickups                | 606   |



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