



## CITY OF ATLANTA

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Dear City of Atlanta Resident:

The City of Atlanta is committed to improving public services that enhance the health, safety and sustainability of all our communities. Starting in September 2019, the Department of Public Works Solid Waste Services will launch a year-long expansion of its Feet on the Street recycling campaign, designed to divert waste from landfills, reduce contamination of recycling, and increase the quality of recyclable materials.

During our 2017 pilot program, Atlanta residents successfully cut contamination rates in half and increased good recycling materials by 30 percent. In the spirit of One Atlanta, we are ready to improve on that number. Once again, the City of Atlanta's Department of Public Works is joining forces with The Recycling Partnership, a national non-profit organization, to expand efforts throughout the City.

Here is what residents can expect as our team deploys during the Feet on the Street kickoff:

- Team members will be identifiable by high-visibility vests. They will carry official Feet on the Street credentials and identification.
- We will check for contaminants in blue recycling carts ONLY, before your recycling truck collects.
- If contaminants are found in recycling carts, we will leave an educational tag placed on the exterior of the cart. The cart may not be collected until contaminants are removed.
- We will NOT remove any items from recycling carts. We will NOT look in garbage bins.
- NO personal information from the contents of the recycling cart will be recorded or used in any way.
- We will be checking only in the following general categories: bagged recycling, plastic bags, food or liquid, textiles, cords, hoses, chains, tanks, wood, furniture, or scrap metal.
- As a gentle reminder, your trash and recycling containers ideally should be placed at the curb by 7 p.m. the previous day and removed from the curb by 7 p.m. on collection day.
- For additional information, including what to and what not to recycle, please visit [www.atlantaga.gov/recycling](http://www.atlantaga.gov/recycling), or contact ATL311 by dialing 3-1-1, or visit [www.atl311.com](http://www.atl311.com).

Your cooperation and willingness to recycle helps conserve resources and creates jobs in the great state of Georgia.

Sincerely,

James A. Jackson, Jr.