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Clarkdale Customers Can Recycle Glass, Other Changes to Recycling Procedures

(Clarkdale, AZ – April 16, 2012) The Town of Clarkdale currently contracts with Patriot Disposal for trash collection and curbside recycling. Although most customers have both recycling and trash containers, Patriot Disposal's recently opened Freedom Recycling Center makes it unnecessary for customers to continue to separate recyclable materials from their trash. In the new center, Patriot's employees sort recycled materials from the regular waste stream, ensuring that all materials get sorted for potential recycling (instead of only those materials that were previously sorted by customers), and resulting in a higher percentage of recycled materials being diverted from landfills. To see a video that was made during a January visit of Clarkdale representative to the Freedom Recycling Center, go to <http://www.youtube.com/user/TownofClarkdaleAZ>

In addition to newspaper, aluminum, office paper, cardboard, magazines, phone books, metal cans and Plastics #1-#7, Town of Clarkdale curbside recycling customers now have the opportunity to recycle clear and colored glass. Simply place glass items in with your mixed trash and recycling, and the employees at the Freedom Recycle Center will sort it to be recycled.

All customers may keep both the trash and the recycling containers they have and use them both for both trash and recyclable materials. Customers who no longer wish to keep both containers may contact the Town of Clarkdale Utilities Department to have one removed.

The Town of Clarkdale also participates in a regional recycling program so that Clarkdale residents who do not purchase curbside trash and recycling services can still recycle. Sedona Recycles is the current provider of this service, and has recycling collection bins just west of the at the Clarkdale-Jerome School (1615 Main Street) for mixed paper,

cardboard, mixed plastics #1-#7, steel cans, aluminum cans, clear and colored glass, clothing, shoes, toys and small household items.

For further information on the Town's recycling services, please contact Linda Lombardo at 639-2450 or Ellen Yates at 639-2520.

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