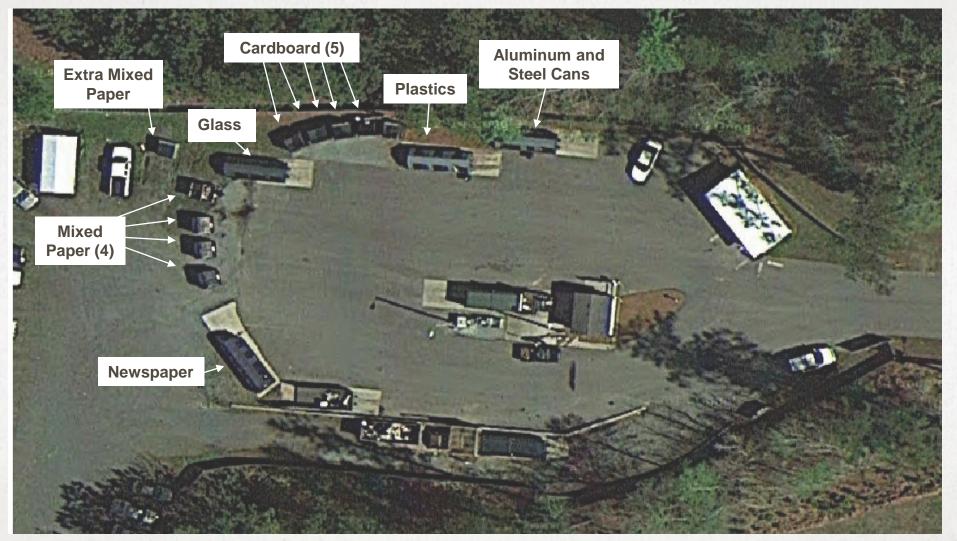


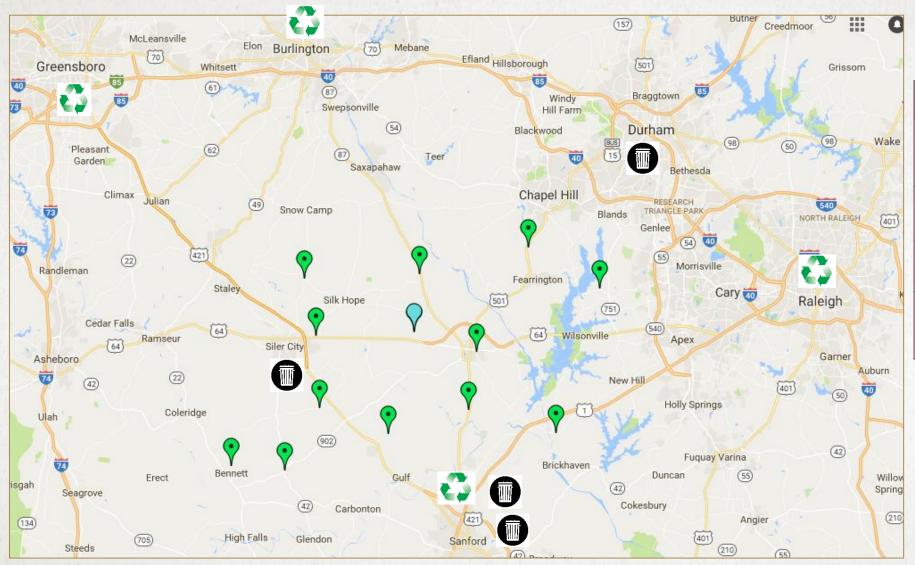
# CHANGES TO RECYCLING IN CHATHAM COUNTY

# **HOW DO WE RECYCLE NOW?**



Pittsboro Collection Center Current

## WHERE DO RECYCLABLES AND TRASH GO NOW?







Mixed Recycling

Glass bottles and jars recycled separately

# MIXED RECYCLING BENEFITS

Easier for residents
Increase recycling
Decrease disposal costs
Improve efficiencies for County

# PITTSBORO COLLECTION CENTER



Current

#### After Mixed Recycling



# **COLE PARK COLLECTION CENTER- CURRENT**



# **COLE PARK COLLECTION CENTER- MIXED RECYCLING**



### **BENEFIT: INCREASE RECYCLING**

#### **RECYCLE MORE ITEMS**

 Pizza boxes- must be clean and free of food



Plastics- plastic to-go containers



 Rigid Plastics- buckets, baskets, toys, etc.



#### MORE PARTICIPATION

- Making recycling easier = more people recycling
- Upcoming study:

   Does providing
   someone with a recycling bin lead them to start recycling?
   (April)
- Expect 20% increase in recycling tonnage.

## **BENEFIT: DECREASE DISPOSAL COSTS**



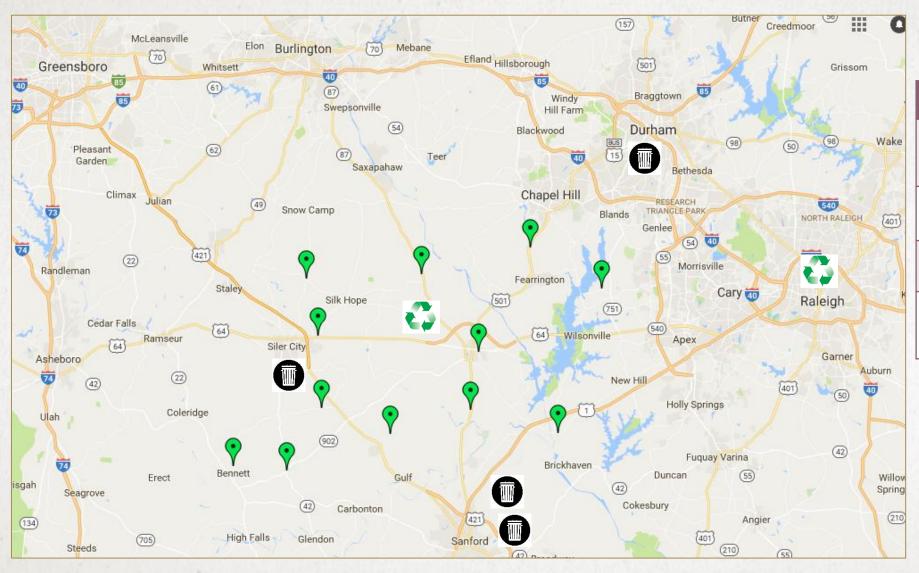
We pay for trash disposal. We get paid for recyclables.

## **BENEFIT: IMPROVE EFFICIENCIES FOR COUNTY**

- Hub and spoke system
  - All mixed recyclables hauled are compacted
- Reduce number of hauls
  - Current 9
  - Mixed Recycling 5 (estimate)
- Reduce transportation
  - Fewer trips to fewer locations



# WHERE WILL MIXED RECYCLING GO?





# **GETTING THE WORD OUT**

- Flyer included with 2017 decals
- Collection Center attendants
- Newspaper, Chatham Chatlist, local publications
- Website, e-notify, social media

# Chatham County Solid Waste and Recycling 2017 Decals and Updates Recycling just got easier in Chatham County!



Starting soon, when you use the Collection Centers, most of your household recyclables will be put together in the "Mixed Recycling" container - cardboard, paper, aluminum cans, steel cans, and plastics. Glass bottles and jars will continue to be collected in a separate container, but all colors can be combined - brown, clear, blue, and green glass.

See below to learn about which materials can and cannot be recycled. Visit our website for a more detailed list of items: www.chathamnc.org/recycle

Remember: you can always ask the attendant when you are at the center!





# THANK YOU