

# AZRC RECYCLING EXCELLENCE AWARD

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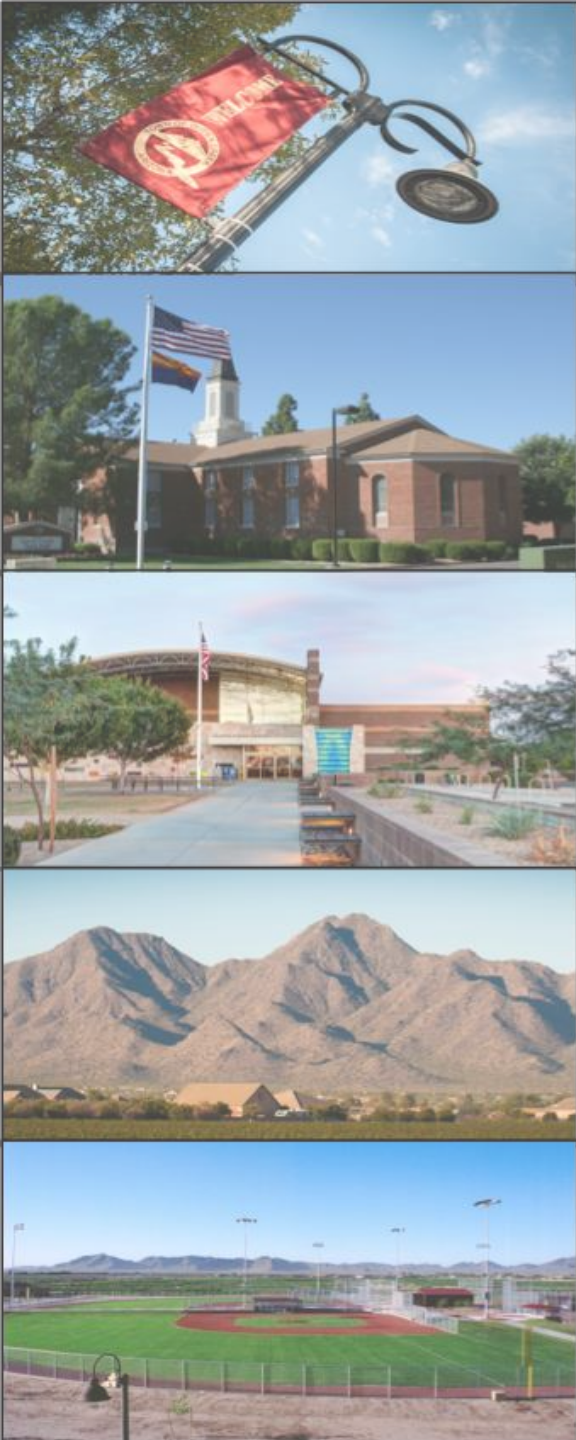
# GOALS FOR THE CAMPAIGNS

- Engaging messages
- Increase resident awareness
- Decrease contamination in recycling
- Social media and Town website





# CAMPAIGN ELEMENTS



- Logos
- Banners
- Flyers
- E-news
- Videos
- Social Media

**DO MORE BLUE**  
What you put in your recycling cart matters!

- NO PLASTIC BAGS**
- NO FOOD WASTE**
- NO YARD WASTE**
- NO PIZZA BOXES**
- NO STYROFOAM**

Learn why at [QueenCreek.org/DoMoreBlue](http://QueenCreek.org/DoMoreBlue)

**PRESERVE THE QC**



**SHUT YOUR LID**  
Bag and tie garbage and close the lid for...

- CLEAN NEIGHBORHOOD**
- REDUCED PESTS**
- REDUCED TRASH SPILLS**
- REDUCED ODORS**

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## TRASH & RECYCLING HOW-TO's

Know where it goes!

**NO PLASTIC BAGS in the recycling cart.** The only exception is shredded paper, which must be placed in a clear bag. Consider reusing plastic bags for lunch sacks, pet waste disposal, etc. Most grocery stores collect and recycle plastic bags, too.

**NO YARD WASTE in the recycling cart.** It must be bagged and tied before being placed in your trash cart, or banded for scheduled bulk collection.

**Pizza boxes are tricky!** When cheese and grease come into contact with the cardboard, it's no longer recyclable. You can remove and recycle the unsoiled lid of the pizza box if it is grease-free, but the portions that have come in contact with grease and cheese must go in the trash.

**BAG AND TIE ALL GARBAGE**  
This reduces concerns for unsanitary conditions, breeding of flies and roadway spills. Not only is bagging and tying garbage better for you and our community, it is the law.

**SHUT YOUR LID**  
The lid must be closed on both your trash and recycling carts or your carts may not be serviced.

**HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE**  
Includes the following:  
 Motor oil, Adhesives, Pesticides, Antifreeze, Light bulbs, Paint, Motor oil, Batteries, and Point.  
 Household hazardous waste (HHW) does not belong in your trash or recycling cart. It is dangerous for the health and safety of our community. Motor oil can be dropped off at Walmart, AutoZone and O'Reilly Auto Parts.  
 Other items can be taken to the HHW Facility in Gilbert but require a receipt. Pick one up at the Town of Queen Creek Municipal Services Building, 22358 South Silverwood Road, or apply at [QueenCreek.org/HHW](http://QueenCreek.org/HHW).

**ATTENTION: DANGER**  
A truckload of recyclables or trash can catch fire or spontaneously combust. Please do not place hot oil, cooking oil, batteries, motor oil or paint in your cart!

**BC FREE B**  
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## QC RECYCLES!

**YES THESE ITEMS CAN GO IN YOUR RECYCLING CART:**

- PLASTICS\*** Soda & Water Bottles, Shampoo & Soap Bottles, Milk & Laundry Detergent Jugs, Neutral Butter & Mayo/Jarvis Jars, Plastic Tubs & Microwave Dinner Containers, Clear "Clamshell" Containers, Plastic Egg Cartons.
- CARTONS\*** Dairy & Substitutes (Milk, Soy, etc.), Juice Cartons & Juice Boxes, Egg Substitute Cartons, Protein Drinks & Wine Boxes, Soup and Broth Cartons, Juice boxes • Tolu Cartons, Ice Cream Cartons.
- PAPER** Corrugated Cardboard (remove plastic and flaps), Brown Paper Bags, Newspapers • Phone Books, Paperboard • Cereal, Shoe Boxes (remove plastic inserts), Molded Fiberboard, Magazines & Catalogs (less than 5" thick), Printing Paper, Mail including Window Envelopes • Brochures, File Folders, Card Stock, etc.
- ALUMINUM & METAL CANS\*** Food and Soda Cans, Steel Cans, Tin Cans including Non-Hazardous Aerosol Cans. No other metals are accepted.
- CLOTHING & SHOES** Clothing and shoes can be recycled ONLY if placed in an official textile bag (available at Town of Queen Creek municipal building) and set inside your recycling cart.
- GLASS\*** Food and Beverage Bottles and Jars. No other glass is accepted.

**NO KEEP THESE ITEMS OUT OF YOUR RECYCLING CART:**

- PLASTIC BAGS**
- FOOD WASTE**
- STYROFOAM**
- DIAPERS**
- PIZZA BOXES**
- YARD WASTE**
- TUBES**
- WRAPPING / TISSUE PAPER**
- PAINT**
- CONSTRUCTION DEBRIS**
- METALS**
- PAPER TOWELS / NAPKINS**
- MOTOR OIL**
- HAZARDOUS MATERIALS** Coolers • Batteries, Adhesives, Outdoor Furniture, Food Storage Containers • Toys, Large Volume Water Containers.
- RIGID PLASTICS** Coolers • Batteries, Adhesives, Outdoor Furniture, Food Storage Containers • Toys, Large Volume Water Containers.

\*Empty of food or liquid and gently clean

LEARN MORE AT [QUEENCREEK.ORG/RECYCLING](http://QUEENCREEK.ORG/RECYCLING) OR CALL 480-358-3450 ext. 7



# RESULTS

- Increased attendance at recycling drop-off events
- Recycling contamination down to 8% in 2018 from 19% in 2016
- Increase awareness of Household Hazardous Waste voucher program
- Increased awareness on social media





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