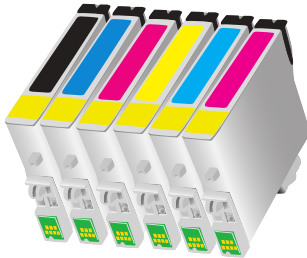


# **Kane County Bits & Pieces Self-Service Recycling Kiosk**

**517 E. Fabyan Parkway, Batavia**

**Currently accepting: multi-beverage holders, ink jet cartridges, eyeglasses & hearing aids, mixed dry art & school supplies to benefit existing non-profit programs**



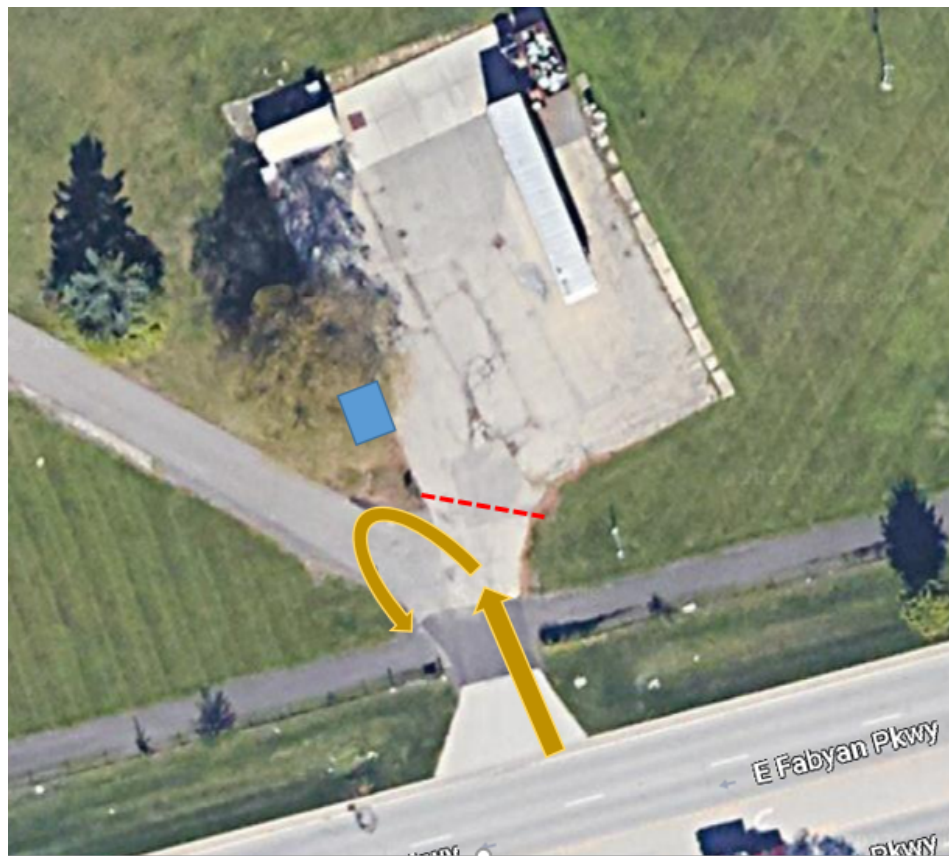
**Kiosk Only is available 24/7  
Questions? Comments? Suggestions?  
(630) 208-3841  
[recycle@countyofkane.org](mailto:recycle@countyofkane.org)**

# Site Access


The larger recycling center at the site is open Monday through Friday, 8am - 4pm with the exception of certain federal holidays. The site is staffed during open hours.

Residents may use the self-service bits & pieces kiosk outside of normal hours to drop off \*kiosk items only.\* Non-kiosk items that are accepted at the center including electronics, clothing and textiles, scrap metal, aerosols, etc. \*must\* be brought in during regular hours. Dumping at the kiosk may result in closure.

The driveway to the main site loading area is chained off between 4pm-8am and on weekends. During these times, kiosk users should carefully pull their car around in the mouth of the driveway as indicated below and walk their items to the kiosk.



 = after-hours chain placement

 = vehicle pull-around

 = kiosk

# Kiosk Background

This kiosk is intended to facilitate the reuse and recycling of small items that likely either accumulate in Kane County households or are commonly placed into trash.

The kiosk is intended to help build up our Fabyan Parkway Recycling Center as a "one stop shop" for hard to recycle materials.

The kiosk is intended to provide material to existing community organizations that already accept the same items, not to compete with these organizations. Do you run or work with a community organization would benefit from material from the kiosk? Please get in touch!

Do you have an idea for items we could collect in the kiosk that aren't currently listed? We have some site constraints regarding space and lack of temperature control. We also cannot collect anything flammable (e.g. batteries), liquid, or easily breakable (e.g., lightbulbs) at this location. However, if you have an idea for small, safe, non-volatile items, please let us know.

## Kiosk Use

Please place accepted items into the corresponding container.

Please do not put packaging such as plastic bags or shipping boxes into the containers unless you are bringing small, loose art supplies (see art supplies page). BYO bag for these items, or use one of the sealable bags provided.

Please close container doors after use.

Please report any issues (broken doors, water inside, container full, etc.) to 630-208-3841 or [recycle@countyofkane.org](mailto:recycle@countyofkane.org)

Please do not put anything that isn't listed in this guide (or on the container labels) in the kiosk. If you have questions, please contact 630-208-3841 or [recycle@countyofkane.org](mailto:recycle@countyofkane.org)



# Accepted Items

**Container 1: Multi-beverage holders.** We take both snap-on can caddies (any color) and traditional ring-style holders. There is no need to cut the ring-style holders. The can caddies are going to a local re-use cooperative, to benefit local independent breweries, and the ring holders will be mailed to a national recycling program. Please no bottles or cans.

**Container 2: Ink jet cartridges.** We take any brand or age of ink-jet cartridge. If the cartridge is known to be leaky or partially full, we ask that you use sealed bags to contain them. BYO, or use a provided stick-top bag. Toner cartridges from laser printers are not accepted. See the manufacturer for recycling options for these. Ink jet cartridges are sent to local Lions Club chapters for sale into recycling to benefit their civic missions.

**Container 3: Eye glasses and hearing aids.** We take any brand, age, or prescription strength of hearing aid and eyeglasses (inc. sunglasses) \*in usable or repairable condition.\* Please remove and discard hearing aid batteries before drop off. Please do not include eyeglass cases. Hearing aids and eyeglasses both go to local Lions Club chapters. Hearing aids are banked by the statewide Lions organization and provided to people with hardship experiencing hearing loss. Eyeglasses have minor repairs as needed, are assessed for prescription strength, and then are provided to people without access, primarily overseas.

**Container 4: Dry art and school supplies.** We take surplus dry art and school supplies and work with area non-profits that provide these items to families and schools at low or no cost. At the time of launch, the organizations on our radar to receive donations include: Association for Individual Development (Aurora), Metropolitan Family Services (Naperville), SCARCE (Addison), and Greener Good (Palatine). Know someone else we should be working with? Drop us a line (630) 208-3841, [recycle@countyofkane.org](mailto:recycle@countyofkane.org).

**As a general guideline, we ask donors to assess the reuse value of school and art supply items before bringing them to the kiosk.** Leaky pens or pens without ink, broken pencil stubs, tiny paper or fabric scraps, markers without caps, or items that have otherwise been damaged by time or circumstances are unlikely to be reused. That said, there's a ton of things we can reuse - see our detailed but probably not completely comprehensive list below.

\*\* Indicates that item must be bagged/containerized - BYO or use bags provided at kiosk

## **Art and School Supplies Accepted:**

Pencils: regular, mechanical, colored

Pens: ballpoint, gel ink, fine art

### **Art and School Supplies Accepted, continued:**

Notebooks & sketchpads: composition or spiralbound (please remove used pages)

Paper: loose-leaf, printer, construction, scrapbook, Origami, cardstock, decorative, giftwrap  
- any scraps should be 4" x 6" or larger, please

Chalk: new or usable-sized pieces\*\*

Markers: felt-tip, with caps on (no uncapped markers, please)

Crayons: new or usable-sized pieces\*\*

Beads\*\* buttons\*\* and other jewelry-making supplies

Stamps and ink pads (please tape opened ink pads closed)

Textiles: needlepoint fabric, yarn, thread, embroidery floss, felt pieces, fabric scraps  
(scraps 4"x 6" or larger please)

Sewing tools: pins and needles\*\* MUST be in a sealed, hard container such as a medicine bottle or needle wheel taped shut. Absolutely no loose pins or needles! Thimbles, measuring tapes, seam rippers, etc.

Fun craft items: glitter\*\*, googly eyes\*\*, pom-poms\*\*, pipe-cleaners, stickers\*\*, ribbon, Legos and similar building toys

Laser-cutter vinyl in usable-sized pieces (at least 3" square)

Art tools: paint brushes, erasers, pencil sharpeners, blending tools, pallets, tape, scissors, punches, etc.

Hardware: keys, washers, nuts, bolts, etc.\*\*

### **Art and School Supplies NOT Accepted:**

Three-ring binders, trapper keepers, etc.

Hanging file folders

Paint of any kind

Paint thinner, brush cleaner, or any liquid cleaning solution

Glue or liquid adhesive of any kind

Oil pastels

Clays, gels or doughs of any kind

Any glass with shatter potential (glass beads & buttons are okay, but that's about it)

Any pins, needles or other sharps not contained in a rigid container, taped closed