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City of Manassas Recycling Rate Increases to 47.2%

City of Manassas, VA . . . According to the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), the City of Manassas recycling rate in 2016 of 47.2%. This is up from 2015's rate of 45% and 2014's rate of 42%.

This 5.2% increase in three years is due, in large part, to the introduction of the City of Manassas RecycleFest held twice a year. Last year, residents dropped off more than 143 tons of recyclable materials. With more information available to residents on how to recycle, they have been working to reduce the amount of "contaminated" materials by washing out their plastic and metal containers and not putting plastic carrier bags in with recycling.

The City's goal for recycling is a recycling rate of 50%. To attain this goal, the City asks residents to follow these three simple steps:

- Recycle cardboard, paper, plastic containers and metal cans
- Rinse out food containers before putting them in the cart or bin
- When in doubt – leave it out! If the resident is unsure about recyclable materials, leave it out of recycling until more information is available, so as not to contaminate the recycling stream.

All City recycling goes to the American Recycling Center. They recycle cardboard, paper, plastic containers and metal cans. Clothing, books, sports equipment and furniture can be recycled through donation to a local charity. These donations are tax deductible. For more information about recycling in the City of Manassas, visit www.manassascity.org/trash.

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