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NEWS RELEASE

## ESD reminds residents to be cautious with recycling bins on windy days

**EL PASO, Texas** – With heavy winds expected for the region, the City of El Paso Environmental Services Department (ESD) would like to remind residents not to place blue recycling bins out for collection if they are less than half-full.

ESD recommends that residents wait until their next regularly scheduled pick-up day to place their blue recycling bins out for collection to help reduce wind-blown debris on severe weather days. Residents are also encouraged to bring in their bins once they have been emptied to eliminate them blowing into the streets and causing road hazards.

Blue bins should only be set out for collection when they are more than half-full. Materials placed inside recycling bins should not be bagged. However, in accordance with City ordinance, items in the regular gray trash bins must be bagged in order to eliminate garbage spilling out and scattering all over the street.

For more information about garbage and recycling services during windy weather, call 3-1-1.

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