

Mobile does have a recycling plan

From the *Press-Register's* Letters to the Editor, July 1, 2009

In response to the May 30 letter titled "Mobile needs a recycling plan," I believe many Mobilians would be amazed and proud of the number of citizens recycling in the Mobile area.

The Mobile Metro Recycle Center, located at 1451 Government St., is a busy place seven days a week. We accept aluminum, steel, glass, plastic, mixed paper, cardboard and many other products. A complete list can be located on the city's Web site, cityofmobile.org.

Paper recycling is available at more than 150 locations in Mobile, provided by one of Keep Mobile Beautiful's many corporate sponsors, Recycle Fibers. Household grease is being recycled by the Mobile Area Water and Sewer Service at more than 25 locations throughout the city.

All of the locations for paper and grease recycling are also available on the City's Web site.

Recycling is available in west Mobile at Baker High School on the last Saturday of each month through October. This was made possible through a grant obtained by Goodwill Easter Seals and the Baker High School Environmental Club.

They accept everything that is accepted at the Metro Mobile Recycle Center.

Keep Mobile Beautiful holds two electronic recycling events yearly to keep electronics out of our landfills. These events are held at the fairgrounds in November and March. Electronics can also be taken to Equit-E-Cycle, located at Brookley Field.

All public schools in the Mobile area have recycle bins for paper provided through contract with Waste Management.

Earth Resources of Mobile is also available for weekly household pickup of recyclables for a monthly fee.

So we do have a plan for recycling in Mobile. It may not be a perfect plan, but our recycling efforts and opportunities are improving and expanding every year.

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