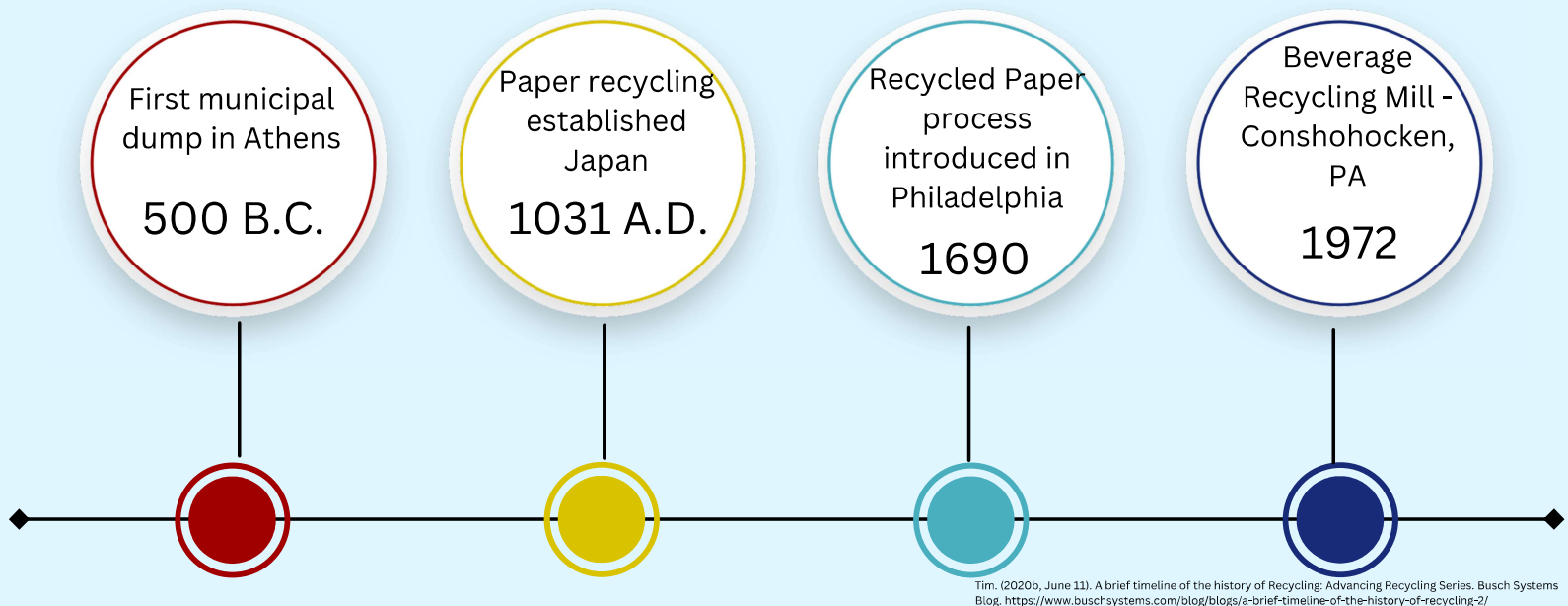


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## *Progress Over Time: Pennsylvania Takes the Lead*

### **Did You Know Paper Can Be Recycled Curbside?**

- Place newspaper, junk mail, magazines, copy paper and envelopes in brown paper bags for curbside recycling.
- NEVER use plastic bags in curbside recycling containers. These can tangle and cause damages or injuries at collection facilities.
- Recycle cardboard boxes, cereal boxes, gift boxes, and other thin paperboard at Lower Allen Community Park.
- Pizza boxes are NOT recyclable. Most contain residue and grease after use. Food residue and grease make the box not recyclable. IF the top of the box is free from residue, cut it off and recycle. IF NOT, place the entire box in the trash.
- Consider donating paper bags to home composters and gardeners.

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These carts couldn't be serviced due to snow issues & overflowing materials.



*Photo Credit: City of Ann Arbor*

*Solid Waste Collection Postponed...  
Remove your carts from the curb*

'Tis the season for winter weather which means that school is delayed, businesses are closing early and solid waste collection is postponed or canceled. If your collection day is postponed, please do not place wheeled carts curbside until 6pm the evening before the collection is scheduled to occur. Leaving wheeled carts curbside or placing them curbside prematurely can create neighborhood issues. Lower Allen Township has an ordinance that requires trash and recycling containers to be placed in designated pick up locations after 6pm the night before and removed after collection. Wheeled carts left for longer than the ordinance allows can contribute to littering, cause hazards in roadways, and be an impediment to crews working on the roads. Sign up for alerts to know your collection delays!

***Sign up for Penn Waste Alerts***

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## *Heavier is better... Glass vs. Plastic*

When making a decision about purchasing products, consider choosing items sold in glass rather than items in plastic. Choosing to purchase glass will have an increased return on your investment. Glass containers do not contain microplastics and have an increase in returns since some locations give a deposit back for the return of glass bottles. In PA, glass can increase tonnage for curbside collection. The higher the weight the Township recycles curbside, the higher the grant money received.

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## *What is illegal dumping?*

Illegal dumping is the act of disposing waste in an unauthorized area or manner. The above picture is a cardboard collection site. Both dumpsters had space available yet boxes were left, littering the ground. This may not seem like illegal dumping because it is not roadside or on abandoned property, but it is. Cardboard is a recyclable item; when recycled and kept free from contamination, recycled cardboard results in grant money back to the municipality.

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