NMRC Position Statement on Curbside Recycling Collections

The New Mexico Recycling Coalition supports the provision of curbside recycling collections in communities that are already providing curbside trash collections, thus providing an equally accessible means for the collection of recyclable materials as for the collection of trash.

In the process of considering curbside recycling, NMRC encourages communities to carefully evaluate and plan for the collection and material processing requirements, including but not limited to:

• Provide containers to all residents;
• Practice contracting best practices if going out for a Request for Proposals (RFP);
• Develop a program that ensures efficient collections and reasonable affordability to citizens.

Communities should likewise consider Commercial/Business recycling collections to ensure equal access and maximize recycling and diversion.