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### **Scavenging Recyclables from Curbside Bins is Illegal**

Waukesha, WIS. – Recently, people have been observed taking aluminum cans from recycling bins left at the curb for collection in several communities around the county. This is an illegal act.

“Once recyclables are set out at the curb, they become the property of the recycling program. Revenues from recycling help keep taxes lower,” said Karen Fiedler, Solid Waste Supervisor, who oversees recycling for the County.

Communities have anti-scavenging ordinances, which include fines for taking materials from recycling bins. Residents who see this happening are requested to get a license number or description of the person and call the local police.