

Threshold Surveying Residents on Curbside Recycling

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It's not just the Kodiak Island Borough that's considering curb-side pick up of ... stuff. The assembly got its first look at the curbside garbage pick up plan last week, a day before Threshold Recycling had a survey inserted into the Kodiak Daily Mirror asking about curbside recycling pick up. As Threshold's new executive director, Ken Reinke points out, they are completely different programs.

-- (Threshold 1 18 sec "Yeah,
it's a little unfortunate ... of one another.")

The survey card asks residents if they would be interested in recycling, if they might be interested in curbside pick-up, and if so, how much they might be willing to pay for it. The choices ranged from 10-dollars to 25-dollars per month.

Reinke says Threshold doesn't have any plans in the works just yet, but wanted to gauge public interest:

-- (Threshold 2 34 sec "We
wanted to see if ... nascent program. Just the beginning.")

One of the
hopes of the pay-as-you-go curbside garbage
pick up program is it will compel residents to recycle more and throw away
less. But Reinke has his own concerns about how the borough's
proposed program may affect his organization:

-- (Threshold 3 51 sec "I
have to say that ... we have to avoid that.")

Reinke says that Threshold is charged for its garbage disposal, and if it
gets more trash in the recyclables stream, it would cost the non-profit
organization even more. The final results of Threshold's curbside recycling
program survey will be reported to its board of directors after more of the
cards have been returned.

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