

Dear Ms. Washburn,

I am writing on behalf of Trystan Matthews who is attempting to start a business here on South Whidbey Island called Recycle Whidbey. As soon as I heard of his efforts my husband and I immediately signed up. Then I learned, however, that his efforts were being blocked by Island Disposal. Quite frankly, I cannot understand why.

Island disposal provides adequate coverage when it comes to pick up of garbage. It may even be argued that their service is adequate for recycling if, and this is a big if, you deliver the "goods" yourself. They do not, however, provide curbside recycling pick up. This discourages many from recycling.

We originally came from Seattle where we had curbside recycling. When we came here it was quite a shock to learn that no such service was available. I strongly feel that curbside recycling is needed and I commend Mr. Matthews for trying to establish this service.

I urge that you permit Mr. Matthews the opportunity to continue his efforts to start this business and I think the results when it comes to more people making the effort to recycle will speak for itself.

Very truly yours,

Mrs. Darlene Lindgard