



995 United Boulevard, Coquitlam

United Boulevard

Recycling and Waste Centre

Facility Description

The United Boulevard Recycling and Waste Centre is centrally located and has an important role in Metro Vancouver's efforts to reduce waste and move to a circular economy.

The United Boulevard facility:

- is replacing the existing Coquitlam Recycling and Waste Centre
- is located < 1km west from the existing Coquitlam Recycling and Waste Centre
- was designed with commercial, municipal, and small vehicle customers in mind
- will operate on 6.2 hectares (15.5 acres) of land; a large footprint that provides flexibility to expand services as opportunities arise
- was constructed and will be operated by Metro Vancouver and its contractors

Facility Features

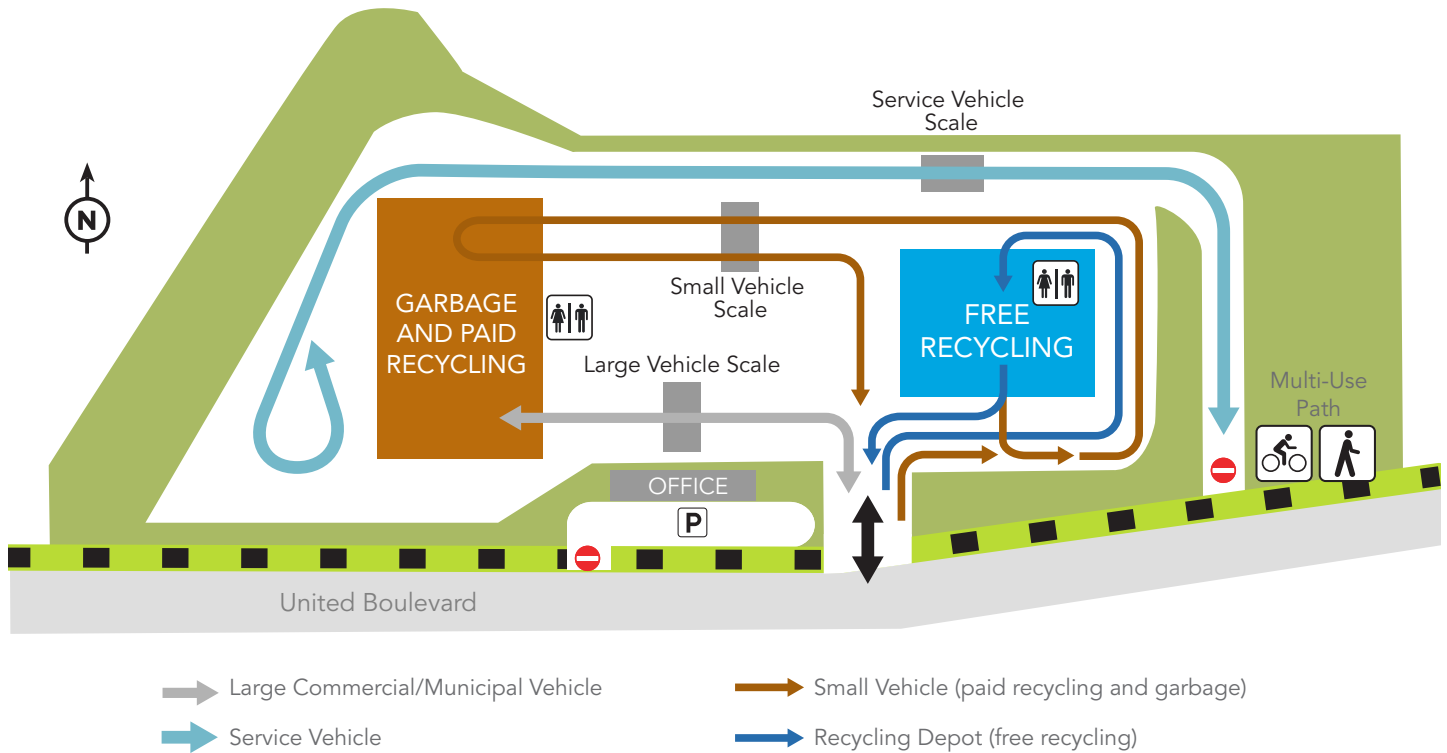
- More space, double the number of scales and improved traffic flows designed for increased safety.
- Attended and automated scales, the latter for use by account customers with mechanically unloaded vehicles.
- Designated entrance and traffic corridor for service

vehicles picking up recyclables and compacted waste.

- Maintenance garage, administration building, recycling attendant booth, customer washrooms and a number of green infrastructure elements.
- Transfer building with a 5,800 m² flat tipping floor for managing garbage and paid recyclables. Flat floor design allows flexibility and the ability to add recycling materials over time. Garbage will be managed in a below grade compactor to maximize payloads.
- Full-service, free recycling depot, three times larger than the current depot, where customers can drop off materials ahead of the weigh scales. Accepted materials include batteries, electronics, cardboard, metal, expanded polystyrene, plastic containers and bags, light fixtures, cooking oil, books, textiles and more.
- Paid recycling area for yard trimmings, clean wood, food scraps, gypsum and mattresses.
- Traffic routes for customers to either leave the free recycling depot after dropping off their items or join a separate traffic lane to reach the scale house to drop off garbage or paid recycling.

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Other notable improvements for the United Boulevard facility:

FEATURE	EXISTING COQUITLAM FACILITY	NEW UNITED BLVD FACILITY
Site area	2.7 hectares	6.2 hectares
Recycling depot area	2,400 m ²	6,000 m ²
Tipping floor area	2,200 m ²	5,800 m ²
Total queuing for all customers	120 m	775 m
Designated lanes and tipping areas for small vehicles and commercial customers	No	Yes
Total number of scales	3	6
Separate access for service vehicles	No	Yes

Partnerships

- Many of the free recycling items are accepted through partnerships with Extended Producer Responsibility Programs.

Please refer all media inquiries to Metro Vancouver via:

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Additional Resources

- Zero Waste Committee Report 5.3 – United Boulevard Recycling and Waste Centre Opening Plan
<https://bit.ly/3wcCof1>
- New United Boulevard Recycling and Waste Centre web page
<https://bit.ly/3bABscv>