

The City of Imperial, in partnership with its wholesale electric power supplier, the Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska (MEAN), is in its third year of its ENERGYsmart Refrigerator Recycling Program.

The program, partially funded by the Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality's Waste Reduction and Recycling Incentive Grant Program, will pay residential electric customers \$35 to recycle old, inefficient refrigerators and freezers.

Recycling older, inefficient refrigerators accomplishes multiple benefits, including saving up to \$125 a year on your electric bill.

Other environmental benefits include:

- Reduces electricity usage by removing inefficient and underused appliances from the electrical distribution grid.
- Eliminates toxic materials such as refrigerant, mercury and PCBs in an environmentally responsible way; and
- Recycles metals, oil, plastics, glass and other usable materials.

The program makes it easy for residents to get rid of old, inefficient refrigerators and freezers they no longer use and customers don't have to worry about hauling it and they get rewarded with \$35.

Residents may call JACO Environmental toll-free (1-866-444-9160) or visit www.jacoinc.net to schedule a free pickup.

The appliances must be working. The program is available only to residential electric customers of the City of Imperial and while funds last.

A \$35 incentive will be paid for up to two refrigerators/freezers per household.