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I belong to a neighborhood HOA. They do a great job of collecting my dues for trash service and fining us for left out trash/recycle bins but do NOTHING to educate our community. I truly think this is where a large portion of focus should be. HOAs need to have incentive to share info and to promote proper sorting of trash, recycle and organics. Additionally, they should be required to adequately share info with residents about other options. I live in Woodbury and we have a robust environmental center, however, my neighbors would rather overfill their bins than drive the 2 miles to drop items off. My family of 4 creates very little trash- we place our bin out every month. Can there be incentives for me when I am not making nearly a ton as stated by the MPR article. Schools- South Washington County has NO management of recycling or sorting. Even if they claim to, it is not practiced. Styrofoam trays are still being used in schools. That A LOT of trash. There is no organics collection. If you need a model look to Dakota County and what they require for their schools. Businesses should not be allowed to serve take out or leftovers in styrofoam and only 1,2 and 5 plastic containers.