

America Recycles Day★



TOPICS

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY



RECYCLING SIMPLIFIED

Make sure recyclables are Empty, Clean and Dry.

Don't bag it — never put recyclables in containers or bags.

DO recycle paper and cardboard, metal food and beverage cans, and plastic bottles and jugs.

Don't recycle anything smaller than a credit card. These items can get stuck or fall through recycling equipment.

Getting takeout? Rigid plastic containers are recyclable, but foam containers are not.



PAPER & CARDBOARD

Recycle or reuse office paper.

Cheesy or greasy pizza boxes can't be recycled — but if the top is clean, tear it off and recycle it.

Milk cartons are coated with plastic and can't be recycled in most places.

Flatten cardboard boxes before recycling — you can leave tape and labels on.

Like milk cartons, hot-drink cups are plastic-coated and generally can't be recycled. Be sustainable and bring a reusable cup!



PLASTICS

Only rigid plastics like bottles, jugs and tubs are recyclable curbside.

Plastic bags and other flexible plastics don't belong in your curbside bin. Return them to the store for commercial processing.

Keep caps on bottles when recycling.

Only 30% of single-use water bottles get recycled — which is too low! Make a difference and look for opportunities to recycle.

Plastic utensils and straws can't be recycled and should be thrown away.



KNOW WHAT TO THROW

Clothing and shoes don't go in your recycling bin. To give them new life, donate them.

Items like garden hoses or extension cords can tangle around recycling equipment and cause damage. Keep them out of the recycling bin.

Food scraps and yard trimmings can be recycled in an organics bin.

Electronics require special handling for recycling. They can cause fires if placed in any curbside bin. Visit Earth911.com for recycling options.

Find paint recycling options at PaintCare.org.