

# Darke County's Guide to Recycling!!



## Darke County Solid Waste Management District

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## Where to take your recyclables...

### Antifreeze

Schultz Motors  
3735 US Rt 127  
Greenville, OH 45331  
937-548-4310

### Air Conditioners & Refrigerators

Barga Heating, Air Conditioning,  
& Refrigeration  
106 Vine Street  
Greenville, OH 45331  
937-548-3645  
Service Charge to remove refrigerant & to tag  
(Sends to Richmond Recycling Center)

Davis Refrigeration  
5702 Hollansburg-Arcanum Rd  
Arcanum, OH 45304  
937-692-6327  
Refrigerant needs to be removed before recycling.  
Service charge included.

Recycling Center, Inc  
Debra Edelman  
530 S Main St  
Richmond, IN 47374  
765-966-8295  
Service Charge to remove refrigerant to recycle. No  
Deep Freezes.

Schmidt's Refrigeration  
999 Sweitzer Street  
Greenville, OH 45331  
937-548-5220  
Service Charge to remove refrigerant and to tag for  
recycling.

James Grimwood  
3215 Harrison Rd  
Hollansburg, OH 45332  
937-997-3371

### Aluminum Cans, Lead From Building Materials & Scrap Metal

James Grimwood  
3215 Harrison Rd  
Hollansburg, OH 45332  
937-997-3371

Integrity Metals  
Price Glazer, Contact  
S First & Central Ave  
Connersville, IN 47331  
765-962-9583  
Accepts and Pays for Scrap Metal & Lead from  
Building Materials.

Ohio Recycling  
Ron Litchfield, Manager  
7837 St Rt 274  
Chickasaw, OH 45826  
419-925-4444  
Accepts and Pays for Aluminum Cans & Metals.  
Will pay for Lead from Building Materials.

Recycling Center, Inc  
Debra Edelman  
530 South "M" St  
Richmond, IN 47374  
765-966-8295  
Accepts and Pays for Scrap Metals. Will pay  
for lead from Building Materials.

Schoenlein Salvage  
8031 Darke Mercer Co Line Rd  
Maria Stein, OH 45860  
419-582-4011  
Accepts Scrap Metal.

Darke County Shriners Club  
937-548-6794  
Accepts Aluminum Cans.

Union City Recycling Center  
Tina Deaton  
205 S Division Street  
Union City, OH 45390  
937-968-6972  
Accepts Aluminum Cans, Copper, Brass, and  
any nonferrous materials

### Cardboard, Catalogs, Magazines, Newspa- pers, Office Paper, & Telephone Books

Ansonia Boy Scouts  
Mamie Warrick  
937-337-4642  
Accepts Newspapers.

Confidential Material Destruction  
P O Box 292062  
Kettering, OH 45429  
888-337-8782  
Accepts Office Paper.

Montgomery Paper Company  
400 E Fourth Street  
Dayton, OH 45402  
937-222-2554  
Accepts Cardboard, Office Paper, & News-  
papers.

Osgood Paper Collection  
Jude Grieshop 419-582-2554  
Virgil Unrast 419-336-7266  
Accepts Cardboard, Catalogs, Magazines, Newspa-  
pers, Paper, & Telephone Books.

Rock Tenn  
Route 1; Box 1-A  
Eaton, IN 47338  
765-396-3317  
Accepts Cardboard, Catalogs, Magazines, Newspa-  
pers, Paper, & Telephone Books

Village of Versailles  
Carla Hummel  
937-526-3294

### Cellular Phone Ni-Cad Batteries

Telcom  
Northtowne Plaza  
1371 Wagner Ave  
Greenville, OH 45331  
937-547-1010  
No Charge!!!

### Cellular Phones

Staples  
1491 Wagner Ave  
Greenville, OH 45331  
937-547-4777  
No Charge!!!

### Composting Facility

Fresh Aire Farms  
Dan Young  
1324 Wasson Rd  
Union City, OH 45390  
937-968-3423  
Certified Organic Farm & Composting Facility.  
Accepts Animal & Yard Waste.



### Computers & Electronics

Chesapeake Electronic Recycling  
866-946-6602 or  
www.chesapeakeerecycling.com

Dell Computers  
www.dellexchange.com

Ed Schultz  
Parker City, IN 47368  
765-468-7865

UNICOR/Federal Prison Ind.  
Aaron Aragon  
8730 Scroggs Rd  
Elkton, OH 44415  
330-424-7448

Ohio Recycling  
Ron Litchfield, Manager  
7837 St Rt 274  
Chickasaw, OH 45826  
419-925-4444  
Accepts monitors for a charge.

### Disposable Cameras

Wal-Mart  
1501 Wagner Ave  
Greenville, OH 45331  
937-548-3645





**Fluorescent Lights, Metal Lights, High & Low Intensity Discharge Lamps, Mercury Vapor Lamps, & Neon Lamps**

Dickman Supply  
1425 Sater Street  
Greenville, OH 45331  
937-548-6103  
Lights must be delivered to Dickman. There is a charge to recycle. No need to purchase from Dickman to recycle

Rumpke  
5474 Jaysville St John Rd  
Greenville, OH 45331  
937-548-2514  
Two Options: for large users--They have a large mobile recycling unit that will come to your site and recycle (100 bulb min.) Small users--They have a satellite truck transport that will pick up the lights and transport them to a mobile truck for separation and recycling. There is a fee.



Special Waste Systems  
Ray Harris  
325 N. Riverview Ave; Section C  
Miamisburg, OH 45342  
937-866-8898  
They will collect from your site, or you may mail lights to them. There is a fee.

Village of Ansonia  
Brian Wilcox, Village Adm  
937-337-6781  
Ansonia Business & Industries ONLY. Must schedule an appointment.

**Industrial Plastic**

My-Way Trading  
Seth Smith  
308 NW Street; P O Box 1282  
Richmond, IN 47375  
765-939-2133  
Accepts Industrial Plastic ONLY. Will accept most types of Plastic.

Network Resins  
2525 N Shadeland  
Indianapolis, IN  
317-846-1806  
Accepts Industrial Plastic Only.

Plastics Recycling Technology  
Steve Larger  
1320 E Main Street  
Versailles, OH 45380  
937-526-3361  
Accepts Industrial Plastic ONLY.

Polysource, Inc  
440 S Stolle Ave  
Sidney, OH 45365  
317-498-4889  
Accepts Industrial Plastic Only.

**Printer/Toner Cartridges**

Dayton Computer Supply  
6501 St Rt 123 N  
Franklin, OH 45005  
800-735-3272

Staples  
1491 Wagner Ave  
Greenville, OH 45331  
937-547-4777  
Accepts all Ink Cartridges in bin located in the store. Different promotions are offered for recycling (ex.--free ream of paper, donation to local school districts, etc.)

Darke County Solid Waste Dist  
Krista Fourman  
115 W Fourth St; Suite 1  
Greenville, OH 45331  
937-547-7369  
Accepts all Hewlett Packard ink jet cartridges and toner cartridges to be sent for recycling.

**Plastic Shopping Bags**

Family Bazaar  
203 Martin Street  
Greenville, OH 45331  
937-547-1196

Wal-Mart  
1501 Wagner Ave  
Greenville, OH 45331  
937-547-9644  
Accepts used shopping bags to be recycled.

Kroger  
200 Lease Ave  
Greenville, OH 45331  
937-548-1960

**Propane Tanks**

Arcanum Hardware  
210 S Main St  
Arcanum, OH 45304  
937-692-8282  
Accepting free of charge.

North Star Blue Flame  
US Rt 127 N  
North Star, OH 45350  
419-336-7211  
Accepts Propane Tanks for a fee.

**Rechargeable Batteries**

Radio Shack  
535 Wagner Ave  
Greenville, OH 45331  
937-548-7009  
No Lead Acid Batteries.

Staples  
1491 Wagner Ave  
Greenville, OH 45331  
937-548-4777  
No Lead Acid Batteries.

Wal-Mart  
1501 Wagner Ave  
Greenville, OH 45331  
937-547-9644  
No Lead Acid Batteries.

**Tires**

Affordable Tire  
5415 St Rt 49 S  
Greenville, OH 45331  
937-547-8473  
Accepts tires for a fee.



Liberty Tire  
3041 Jackson Pike  
Grove City, OH 43123  
614-871-8097  
Accepts tires for a fee.

Rumpke  
5474 Jaysville St John rd  
Greenville, OH 45331  
937-548-2514, Ext 0  
Accepts tires for a fee.

**Wire Clothes Hangers**

Beasecker Cleaners  
316 Sycamore St  
Greenville, OH 45331  
937-548-4922  
Accepts Hangers in good usable shape.

Boyd Cleaners  
501 E Main St  
Greenville, OH 45331  
937-548-1505  
Accepts Hangers in good usable shape.

The Dry Cleaner  
521 Wagner Ave  
Greenville, OH 45331  
937-548-3700  
Accepts Hangers in good usable shape.

The Dry Cleaner  
107 N Main St  
New Madison, OH 45346  
937-996-3202  
Accepts Hangers in good usable shape.

**Wood Grinding & Wood Pallets**

Anderson Pallet  
210 Western Ave  
Lewisburg, OH 45338  
937-962-2614  
Accepts Wood Pallets Only.

Timmerman Truss, Inc.  
TTI Custom Wood Grinding & Recycling  
Ken Timmerman/David Price  
5753 Jaysville St. John Rd  
Greenville, OH 45331  
937-548-5044  
Mulch for Sale. Call for Wood Grinding Appointment.

# Osgood Paper Recycling



Collected the First  
Saturday  
of Every Month  
9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Please enter on Walnut  
Street off St Rt 705 by the  
Osgood Community park to

## *Items Taken:*

*All types of standard cardboard,  
food boxes with linings removed,  
catalogs, magazines, newspapers,  
phone books, junk mail, and all  
other types of paper*

## *Items Not Taken:*

*Envelopes with Cellophane Windows,  
Plastic Sacks, Tissues, Paper Towels,  
Paper Plates and Cups, Salt Sacks,  
Feed Sacks, Dog Food Sacks, Carbon*

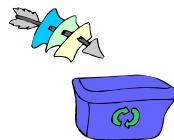
**Please have all items in PAPER BAGS or TIED UP.  
It makes the Paper Easier to Handle!!!**

**Nothing will be accepted before or after the drive.**

In case of Adverse Weather Conditions  
(Rain, Wind Chill, Unusually Heavy Snow)  
the Drive will be cancelled and rescheduled  
for the following week. If adverse weather  
continues, the drive will be held the  
following month.



If there are any changes, they will be noted  
in the Osgood News, in the area papers, and  
also in the bulletin at St. Louis and St. Nicholas  
Churches. There will also be a flyers in  
the area businesses.



**Any Questions??? Call Jude at 419-582-2554 after 4:00 p.m. or  
Virgil at 419-336-7266**



## Where to take.....Motor Oil

### Greenville

**Advanced Auto**  
321 Wagner Avenue  
937-316-5215

**Affordable Tire**  
5415 St Rt 49  
937-547-8473  
No Charge!!!

**Auto Lube**  
661 Wagner Avenue  
937-548-0123  
No Charge!!!

**Auto Zone**  
221 Martin Street  
937-548-9777  
No Charge!!!

**D & R Auto/Truck**  
1319 Sweitzer Street  
937-548-1970

**Dan's Radiator**  
3400 Weaver Ft Jefferson Rd  
No Charge!!!

**Firestone Tire**  
Fourth & Walnut Streets  
937-548-1197  
No Charge!!!

**Marvin's Service**  
5351 Sebring Warner Rd  
937-548-1270  
No Charge!!!

**Reier's Service**  
8086 St Rt 127  
937-548-5036  
No Charge!!!

**Schultz Motors**  
3735 St Rt 127  
937-548-4310  
No Charge!!!



**Wal-Mart**  
1501 Wagner Ave  
937-537-9973  
No Charge!!!

**Kevin Ashman**  
6413 Childrens Home Bradford Rd  
937-547-3366 or 937-547-3367  
No Charge!!!

### Versailles

**Fleet Maintenance**  
791 E Main Street  
937-526-5300  
No Charge!!!

**Kremer's Auto electric**  
723 E Main Street  
937-526-4571  
No Charge!!!

## Where to take.....Car Batteries

### Ansonia

**K & M Service**  
4110 St Rt 47 W  
937-337-6701

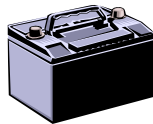
### Greenville

**D & R Auto/Truck**  
1319 Sweitzer Street  
937-548-1970

**Firestone Tire**  
Fourth & Walnut Streets  
937-548-1197

**Keith's Towing**  
5680 Meeker rd  
937-548-6083

**Reier's Service**  
8086 St RT 127  
937-548-5036



**Rodefeld's Auto Parts**  
701 Walnut Street  
937-548-4199

**Ron's Southtown**  
1939 Sweitzer Street  
937-548-0535

**Schultz Motors**  
3735 St Rt 127  
937-548-4310

**Trent Auto Sales**  
201 S Ohio Street  
937-548-5605

**Wal-Mart**  
1501 Wagner Ave  
937-547-9973  
No Charge!!!

### Hollansburg

**James Grimwood**  
3215 Harrison Rd  
937-997-3371

### Versailles

**Kremer's Auto Electric**  
723 E Main Street  
937-526-4571

**NAPA of Versailles**  
42 W Main Street  
937-526-9335

**Versailles Marathon**  
6 Meeker Rd  
937-526-3051

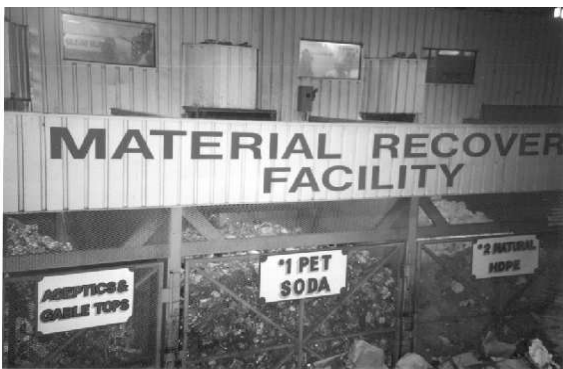
# What happens to the Stuff that is put into those Rumpke Bins and Drop Boxes for Recycling!!!!



At Rumpke's Material Recovery Facility in Dayton, commingled recyclables from Darke County go up the conveyor belt to be sorted

1. Consumer Products contained in steel cans, aluminum cans, glass jars and jugs, or plastic pet and HDPE bottles are purchased.
2. Once the products inside the containers are used, the empty containers are commingled (mixed together) and are placed in a bin at curbside or are taken to a drop box, where they are collected for recycling.
3. A 25-cubic yard converted garbage truck that compacts the recyclable containers, just like garbage is compacted, picks up the containers from the bins.
4. The truck or roll off takes the recyclable containers to Rumpke Transfer Station, where the containers are transferred to a 100 - cubic yard truck.
5. The truck transports the containers to the Rumpke Material Recovery Facility in Dayton.
6. At the facility, the containers are dumped at the bottom of a conveyor belt.

7. Once on the conveyor belt, they are automatically sorted at the rate of 15 tons per hour.
8. Once sorted, the materials are either baled and loaded into semi -trailers or loaded loose into large containers for shipment to mills or secondary processing facilities.
9. At the processing plant, they are shredded, repelletized, or melted down into materials that can be used in the manufacturing process.
10. The processed materials are transported to a manufacturing plant.
11. At the manufacturing plant, the materials are made into new products for retail.



After the commingled recyclables have been sorted, they are stored in large bins until they can be transported to a processing plant, where they will be repelletized, shredded, or melted down into a form that can be used in the manufacturing process to

## Waste Companies Offering Recycling Opportunities within Darke County.....

BestWay Waste  
Randolph Farms, Inc, owner  
765-853-5714

Countryside Waste  
Allied Waste Industries, Inc,  
owner  
1-800-686-2952

Greenville Transfer Station  
Rumpke Consolidated Waste, Owner  
548-2514 ext: 7368



**Curbside & Commingled Programs**

Contact Mayor's Office for More Information!!!!

Village of Arcanum  
Mayor's Office  
104 W South St  
Arcanum, OH 45304  
937-692-8500

City of Greenville  
Mayor's Office  
City Building  
100 Public Square  
Greenville, OH 45331  
937-548-1819

Village of Osgood  
231 North Street  
Osgood, OH 45351  
419-582-4501

Village of Palestine  
215 Cross Street  
Palestine, OH 45352  
937-547-1495

Village of Versailles  
Administration Office  
4 W Main Street  
Versailles, OH 45380  
937-526-3294

**Drop Boxes for Cardboard and Office Paper Only are located-**

**Permanent Drop Boxes**

Village of Ansonia  
P O Box 607  
Ansonia, OH 45303  
937-337-6781  
E. end of East High St.

Village of Gettysburg  
212-216 High St  
Gettysburg, OH 45328  
937-447-2171  
Beside the Water Tower.

Village of New Madison  
162 N Main Street  
New Madison, OH 45346  
937-996-3891  
Gravel Lot Behind the City Building

Village of New Weston  
500 Main St.  
New Weston, OH 45348  
937-338-4975  
On Pine St. In alley behind the Council Hall.

Village of Palestine  
215 Cross Street  
Palestine, OH 45352  
937-547-1495

Village of Pitsburg  
P O Box 244  
Pitsburg, OH 45358  
937-692-5243  
Across from Keller Grain on Jefferson St

Village of Union City  
Union City, OH 45390  
937-968-5684  
Across from Administration Bldg

Village of Wayne Lakes  
3685 West Drive  
Greenville, OH 45331  
937-547-2644

Aluminum Cans Only!!!

**Pay-As-You-Throw Program**

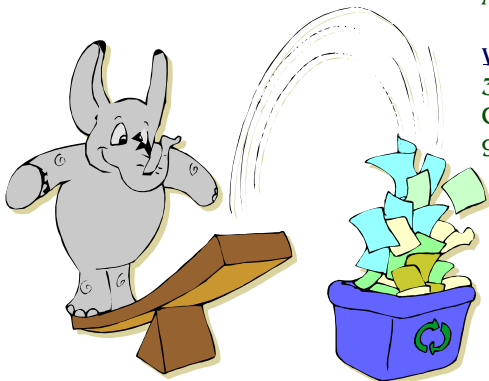
City of Greenville  
Mayor's Office  
City Building  
100 Public Square  
Greenville, OH 45331  
937-548-1819

Village of Osgood  
231 North Street  
Osgood, OH 45351  
419-582-4501



Village of Palestine  
215 Cross Street  
Palestine, OH 45352  
937-547-1495

**Other Drop Boxes for Commingled Recyclables, Cardboard, Newspaper, and Office Paper-**












## NOW THERE'S MORE TO RECYCLE!!!

### WHAT GOES IN THE BIN??

<b>News Papers, Magazines, Catalogs &amp; Mixed Papers</b>	<p>In addition to newspapers with glossy ad inserts, <b>Rumpke will now accept magazines, catalogs, telephone books, paperboard boxes (cereal, snacks, etc.), junk mail (direct mail, window envelopes, flyers, etc), soft drink and beer cartons</b> should be placed together in a brown paper grocery sack. Place sack(s) and/or corrugated cardboard (flattened in 2' X 2' bundles) inside or beside your bin, or in case of rain, place the cardboard under the bin.</p>
	<p>Not presently accepting pizza boxes. Grease and food contamination renders it unacceptable.</p>
<b>Plastics</b>	<p>Plastic milk containers; soft drink, shampoo, laundry and detergent bottles displaying the recycling logo with the number 1 or 2. Please remove all caps or lids, and rinse out. <b>Plus, Rumpke will now accept foam and rigid polystyrene food packaging containers, providing they display the number 6.</b> Samples of polystyrene packaging are Styrofoam cups and plates, meat trays, and egg cartons. Plastic containers may be crushed to conserve space in your bin.</p>
	<p>Not presently accepted: Wide mouth containers such as margarine bowls or whipped topping containers; plastic forks, spoons and knives; cassette and compact disc cases; children's toys, oil jugs, plastic bags and buckets.</p>
<b>Glass</b>	<p>In addition to clear, brown, and green glass, <b>Rumpke is now accepting blue glass.</b> Food and drink containers and jars are accepted. Please remove caps and rinse out. Paper labels do not need to be removed.</p>
	<p>Not presently accepted: Window glass, mirrors, light bulbs, drinking glasses/ mugs or oven/cooking glassware (Pyrex).</p>
<b>Beverage &amp; Steel Food Cans</b>	<p>Aluminum and bi-metal beverage cans, steel soup and food cans are accepted. Please rinse and drain cans. Cans may be crushed to conserve space in your bin.</p>
	<p>Rumpke will now accept empty aerosol cans. Please, <b>DO NOT</b> crush or cut these cans.</p> <p>Not presently accepted: Pots or pans, coat hangers and scrap steel.</p>
<b>Gable-Top Cartons &amp; Drink &amp; Juice Boxes</b>	<p><b>ALSO NEW, Rumpke will now accept paperboard cartons</b> that once contained milk, juice, nondairy creamers, fabric softener and egg substitutes. Also accepted are packaging recognized by its box shape into which a straw can be inserted (sometimes referred to as "aseptics", drink, or juice boxes).</p>
	<p>Not presently accepted: Frozen food cartons, frozen juice concentrate containers, straws, wax-coated products such as yogurt cups or waxed paper.</p>

## What happens to your Recyclables?

Your red Rumpke recycling bin should be placed at the curb the night before your scheduled pick-up.

Recyclables are picked up by a specially designed truck separate from the traditional garbage vehicle. The Rumpke recycling employee initially separates newspapers and brown grocery bags from other “commingled” material (glass, aluminum cans, plastics, etc.). Newspapers and brown grocery bags are kept in a separate compartment of the recycling truck to keep them separate from other commingled material.

At the end of the route, each recycling truck is weighed and unloaded for sorting at Rumpke’s recycling facility located in Dayton.

At the state-of-the-art recycling center, automated and manual separation processes are employed to sort materials into appropriate categories. Once separated, materials are then baled or containerized for shipping to various mills and reprocessing facilities where the recyclables are used to make new items.

Should an unacceptable item be placed in your recycling bin, your Rumpke recycling driver will place a sticker on it and leave it in your bin indicating the item is not being accepted at this time.

If you have questions about whether an item is accepted in the recycling program, why an item wasn’t accepted, or need to know more about recycling, please feel free to call the Rumpke Recycling Hotline at 1-800-223-3960 or the Darke County Solid Waste District office at 937-547-7369.

## Why these items are not accepted.....

### Plastic Caps

Currently, limited markets exist for these types of plastic. Rumpke is constantly researching and evaluating potential markets.

### Window & Drinking Glass or Light Bulbs

These types of glass are chemically different. Some even contain lead. Therefore, they are contaminants.

### Butter or Cool Whip Bowls

Although they are marked #2 plastic, these containers have a chemical additive to strengthen the rim. The additive makes them act negatively in the recycling process.

### Coat Hangers and Steel Scrap

Rumpke does recycle these materials for industrial accounts. Due to the relatively small volume generated by residential recycling, these are not accepted in the curbside or drop-box program. (If you have a large quantity of this material, try contacting a local scrap dealer.)

### PERMANENT DROP BOX LOCATIONS

Ansonia—Corner of Cross & Pearl Streets

Butler Twp—Corner of Grubbs Rex & Emrick Roads

Gettysburg—216 High St; Near Water Tower

**NEW** Hollansburg—At Village Park on Union Street

Palestine—St Rt 36 at Park

Pittsburg—Gravel lot behind Washington St.

North Star—American Legion Hall on St Rt 127

New Madison—Gravel lot behind City Building

New Weston—On Pine St. in Alley behind Council Hall

Union City—Across the street from City Adm. Bldg.

Rumpke—5474 Jaysville St. John Rd; Greenville

**NEW**

*Did you Know??*



**Fiction:** It isn't necessary to recycle to "save trees" because we are growing as many as we cut.

**Fact:** We are growing trees in a process called clear cutting. This means all the foliage is burned and cleared away from the areas surrounding the trees. As a result, each generation of trees becomes weaker because they lack valuable nutrients from the foliage and other organic matter that decays and absorbs into the soil, nourishing trees (Nature's Recycling). Many of these trees are cut before they can grow to maturity. Just ask a carpenter how difficult it is to obtain quality lumber these days.

### Paper

Over 40% of the waste that goes into a landfill is paper, amounting to 72.6 million tons per year in America alone. Contrary to popular belief, paper does not biodegrade quickly in a landfill. In fact, newspapers have been found that could still be read forty years after disposal. When you consider that Americans cut down 830 million trees per year for paper products alone, it is easy to see the importance of recycling as much paper as we possibly can. One ton of paper recycled save 3.5 cubic yards of landfill space, 17 trees, 7,000 gallons of water, 380 gallons of oil, 4100 kw hours of electricity, 60 lbs. of air pollution, and 850 lbs. of CO<sub>2</sub> per year.

### Fluorescent Lights

Mercury accumulates in human and animal tissue and in the environment. If released into the environment, mercury can become transformed into more toxic forms and can concentrate in food chains, where humans can be exposed through eating mercury-contaminated food. Mercury ingested by humans can cause brain damage, disabilities, birth defects, and in extreme cases, death.

### Tires

A regular automobile is made from five gallons of oil. By recycling, you can reduce reliance on foreign oil.

### Steel

Steel has long been one of our most recycled materials. Just about all steel containers made contain recycled steel. Americans are currently recycling 55% of all steel that is produced.

### Aluminum Cans

Recycling aluminum cans prevents the pollution that occurs from mining bauxite, the ore from which aluminum is extracted. Twenty aluminum cans can be made with the energy needed to produce one can of virgin ore. Throwing away "one" aluminum can wastes as much energy as filling the can half full of gasoline and pouring it out.

### Used Motor Oil

It takes 42 gallon of high-quality crude oil to produce 2\* quarts of motor oil. It takes one gallon of waste oil to produce the same amount.

Statistics show that during a month's time, two tons of motor oil will be poured into area drains. When you consider that only one quart of oil can pollute 250,000 gallons of water, this is a serious problem.

### Used Car Batteries

Although batteries represent less than one percent by weight of municipal solid waste, they account for 52% of all cadmium and 88% of all mercury found in the solid waste stream. As a result, used car batteries, if not recycled or disposed of properly, can cause serious problems for the environment and human health.

### Plastic

All plastic is made from petroleum. When you throw away plastic, you also throw away petroleum that was used to produce it, which is renewable natural resource. By recycling plastic, you can reduce America's reliance on foreign oil. Bio-plastics are now being produced which substitute oil from organic waste in place of petroleum.

### Glass

Glass can be recycled again and again with no loss of quality in the new containers made from recycled glass. And, every ton of glass that is recycled saves the equivalent of nine gallons of fuel oil. This also reduces America's reliance on foreign oil.

### Products Made From Recycled Materials

Instead of being buried or burned, waste materials are being recycled into attractive, strong, and durable products. When manufactured and marketed, these products are putting thousands of people to work. Recycled from milk jugs, pop cans, food cans, automobile tires, and glass bottles, these products make up ball fields, play structures, park equipment, walkways, roadways, railways, roofing, and much more. They are changing the way Americans think about recycling materials.



