

RECYCLING AT HOME AND WORK



Reduce, Reuse, Recycle

What to Recycle:

Please rinse all containers and remove lids, caps & corks.

GLASS: Soda Bottles, Beer Bottles, Liquor and Wine Bottles, Jelly, Salsa and Mayo Jars, Any Other Clear, Brown, Green Glass Bottles and Jars.

ALUMINUM: Soda & Beer Cans, Aluminum Foil, Foil Pie Pans

METAL: Soup, Fruit, Vegetable, Juice and Tuna Cans, Pet Food Cans, Empty Aerosol Containers

PLASTIC: Plastic Containers Marked No.1 thru No. 7 Include Water Bottles, Milk Jugs, Detergent & Bleach Bottles, Soda Bottles, Shampoo Bottles, Butter or Whipped Topping Tubs

PAPER: Newspaper, Magazines, Brown, White, and Colored Paper Bags, Phone Books, Junk Mail, Catalogs, Office and Computer Paper, Corrugated Cardboard (such as Moving Boxes), and Cardboard (Like Cereal Boxes, Gift Boxes, Shoe Boxes, Beverage Carrying Boxes, Rice and Pasta Boxes, etc) – Please flatten ALL Cardboard!

INK CARTRIDGES: Can either be mailed back to manufacturer or dropped off at Office Max locations

SHARPS (Needles): Can be dropped off at Bonita Springs Fire Stations 2, 3 and 4 on weekdays from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. The container **MUST** be physically handed to someone. Do not drop off or leave unattended.

LANDSCAPING DEBRIS: Grass Clippings, Fallen Fruit, Leaves, Tree Limbs, Palm Fronds, Branches - Call your trash collection company for collection instructions and rates. All landscaping debris is processed into mulch.

Call 332-8500 for your recycling bin. Plastic bags containing recyclables is **NOT** acceptable.

The Following Items Are Currently Not Recyclable in Lee County:

GLASS: Medicine Bottles, Drinking Glasses, Dishes, Windows & Mirrors, Cookware (Pyrex, etc).

ALUMINUM: Pots & Pans, Cooking Utensils, Door Screens, Lawn Furniture

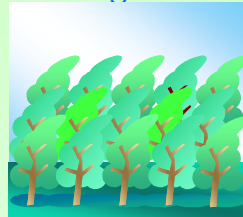
METAL: Tools, Car Parts, License Plates, Eating Utensils

PLASTIC: Plastic Grocery Bags, Pool Chemical Bottles, Motor Oil & Antifreeze Containers, Household Chemical Containers, Flower Pots, Egg Cartons, Polystyrene Trays, Newspaper Sleeves, Styrofoam

PAPER: No Paper Packaging with Wax Layer (eg. Juice Boxes)

Benefits of Recycling

- Recycling of products reduces the amount of land required for landfilling waste materials - and **NO ONE** wants a landfill or incinerator in their community.
- Recycling also reduces atmospheric emissions that are generated during the incineration of waste.



■ Recycling paper and cardboard reduces the number of trees that are used each year in creating new paper products. The cutting of trees can have detrimental effects on the environment. Trees remove carbon dioxide from the atmosphere, their roots help protect the land with erosion control, and they provide a place for birds and other animals to live.

- Once an item goes to the landfill, it is deprived of the things it needs to break down and return to the Earth. Landfill daily cover is necessary, but it blocks out sunlight and oxygen, which are needed for such items as newspapers to biodegrade. Material accumulates and the landfills continue to grow.



- Recycling reduces the need for landfill space, reduces the use of energy for producing products, protects virgin materials, and creates jobs. Let's not forget the benefits of reducing disposal costs of materials sent to landfills and the potential revenue generated, depending upon the market.

Feel good about yourself - RECYCLE!

How to Recycle at Home and at Work:

At Home:

■ **Community**

Participate in curbside and drop-off programs where available



■ **Clothing**

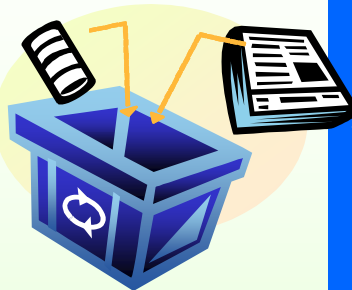
Recycle discarded clothing for reuse through garage sales, Goodwill, Salvation Army, or other charitable organizations



At Work:

■ **Think before you toss**

Use Recycling Bins
Encourage Co-Workers

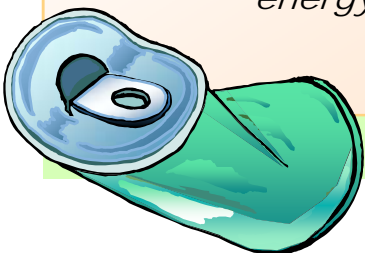


Did you know ...?

Paper recycling began in the United States in the 1930's.

Recycling of wastes in your home alone, such as newspaper, glass, and metal can reduce carbon dioxide emissions by 850 pounds a year.

*You can make 20 cans from recycled material with the same amount of energy that it takes to make one new one -
You choose!*



Break rooms may have collection points for newspapers, glass, aluminum, and plastics. Help keep the recycle stream clean by rinsing out containers that were used for food before placing them into the recycle bin. Food contamination can cause an entire recycling load to be rejected and landfilled.

Cardboard is also recycled as a part of most paper recycling programs. Watch for designated containers, compactors, or roll-offs located at your facility.

Most companies have a recycling program in place for cartridges from printers and obsolete computer components for potential reuse and recycling. If there is not a recycling program in place at the office, most printer cartridges can be mailed back to the manufacturer free-of-charge for recycling. This can be done for either office or home computers.

Complete the loop: Recycling will only succeed with your help. When available, pay the extra few cents to buy recycled products. Do your part to create a demand for recycled material.

Shadow Wood Community Association, Inc. has an Environmental, Health and Safety Policy to protect the environment, which includes "protecting and conserving natural resources by minimizing wastes, managing energy use responsibly, and employing pollution prevention principles."