

Curbside News

Prineville



Sustainability in Action

Effective At-Work Recycling Programs

Effective recycling can help reduce the amount of emissions from landfills and save virgin resources and energy. It can support company sustainability goals and create employee engagement opportunities. Here are some tips to get started.

- ▶ **Secure senior management support** – a company-wide launch can have greater impact when upper management is involved.
- ▶ **Conduct a waste audit** – before you can divert materials, you need to understand what kind of and how much waste is being generated. Contact us to schedule a waste audit and to determine what materials may be recyclable.
- ▶ **Develop a recycling plan** – set collection protocols with realistic recycling goals.
- ▶ **Provide adequate resources** – contact us for a waste assessment
- ▶ **Create material reuse pathways** – consider how you can incorporate reusable material alternatives.
- ▶ **Monitor progress** – track results and adjust as needed, and there may be disposal cost savings

Oregon's Recycling System Gets Upgraded

Oregon's Plastic Pollution and Recycling Modernization Act (RMA) officially went into effect July 1.

What You Can Expect

- ▶ A unified, state-wide collection list of what goes into the recycling cart, reducing confusion.
- ▶ Additional materials allowed in your recycling cart.
- ▶ Assurance that recyclable materials are sent to responsible end-markets and find a new life.
- ▶ See back page for recycle guide.

Commercial Composting

Businesses within the city that produce food can sign up for our commercial composting program.

Acceptable material includes meat, dairy, produce and baked goods. Put the food scraps in the food waste cart. The organic material will be processed into a nutrient-rich compost. By composting your food waste, you help reduce greenhouse gas emissions and reduce the amount of waste in the landfill.

Before diverting edible food for composting, consider donating first. NeighborImpact can help with a program that works for you. Use the **Too Good to Go App**, and offer surplus food to consumers at a low cost, ultimately helping reduce waste. Visit [Toogoodtogo.com](https://www.toogoodtogo.com) for more details.

Why Waste Prevention Matters

Waste prevention offers significant environmental and economic benefits, including reduced pollution, resource conservation, energy savings and cost reduction. Reducing waste lessens the burden on landfills, reduces greenhouse gas emissions, and protects natural resources.

Consider purchasing durable, long-lasting materials, reducing the amount of packaging, or using products that are free of toxic materials. Visit [zerowaste.org](https://www.zerowaste.org) to get your business or organization started on low-waste solutions.

Download the Republics Services App for easy access to all your service information. View recycling collection schedules, recycling information and invoices, and easily pay bills. Available wherever and whenever you need it!



Recycling Guide

Thanks for recycling these items! All items must be empty and dry.



Following the guidelines of what is allowed in your recycling bin saves natural resources, reduces pollution and creates jobs.



Scan for: العربية, 简体中文, 繁體中文, हिन्दी, 한국어, Русский, Af-Soomaali, español, Tagalog, українська, tiếng Việt.

Plastic



Bottles, round containers, buckets, and rigid plant pots

Caps OK if screwed on. All items must be 2 inches by 2 inches or larger.

Metal



Aluminum and steel cans and scrap metal

Less than 10 pounds and 18 inches.

Cardboard and Cartons



Flattened cardboard, packaging boxes, food and beverage cartons

Pizza boxes must be empty with no food residue.

Commercial cardboard collected in separate container

Paper



Newspaper, magazines, office paper, egg cartons, mail, paperback books, bags, and non-metallic gift wrap

No!



No bagged recyclables



No batteries



No food or liquid
(empty all containers)



No plastic bags or stretchy plastics



No frozen food boxes