

Why Recycle?

- Recycling an item means it does not go to the landfill. Instead that item is used to make something new.



- Pennsylvania has a recycling law, Act 101, which mandates municipalities with a population of 5,000 or more people to have a recycling program for their residents.
- Recycling creates jobs! 66,041 jobs here in Pennsylvania are related to the recycling and reuse industry.



The Lackawanna County Environmental Office provides assistance with:

- Establishing Recycling Programs
- Waste Reduction Techniques
- Municipal Reports and Grants

Presentations are offered on:

- Recycling
- Environmental Shopping
- Waste Reduction
- Water Pollution
- Water Conservation



Contact our office for more information at:

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Lackawanna County's Recycling Brochure



A Guide to the Basics of Recycling



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What **Can** Be Recycled?



GLASS

Bottles and Jars ONLY

Please do not place broken glass in the bin

METAL CANS

Aluminum and Steel

PLASTIC

Bottles and Jars ONLY

PAPER

Newspaper, Office Paper, Junk Mail and Magazines

CARDBOARD

Heavy Shipping Boxes, Cereal Boxes (inside liner removed), and Paper Towel Rolls



YARDWASTE

Leaves, Brush and Grass

Cut brush down to be two feet or less



What **Cannot** Be Recycled?



- Straws
- Food containers (ex. yogurt or butter)
- Takeout containers
- Food wrappers or bags
- Styrofoam
- Paper or plastic dishes, cups, utensils
- Plastic wrap
- Napkins and paper towels
- Toys
- Windows

Some Reminders!

- Give bottles and jars a quick rinse before placing them in the recycling bin!
- Flatten boxes to increase space in your paper recycling bin.
- Contact your town for specifics on their recycling program.



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Electronics Recycling in Pennsylvania



Covered Device Recycling Act (Act108)

- Covered devices such as TV's, computers, computer monitors and peripherals (keyboard, mouse, and other computer accessories) cannot be thrown out in Pennsylvania. They must be recycled.
- This law makes it tough to recycle electronics, especially TVs, because it is **broken!**
- This law can only be fixed in Congress! Please contact your State Representative today and ask them to fix the electronics law!

Check out our website for more information on how to recycle items!