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College Recycling

College is a great time for young adults to begin living a greener lifestyle. Below is a list of some of the easiest ways students can practice environmental stewardship in their dorm rooms, lecture halls and sorority/fraternity houses.

Purchasing textbooks?

Consider reusing! If your courses don't require a new edition, take advantage of used bookstores and websites that offer books at a fraction of the cost. Half.Com and Amazon have a good selection of books that are reasonably priced and delivered quickly. You also have the option of selling the book back and continuing the reuse cycle. If keeping or reselling the book is not an option, you can always donate the books to local literacy programs or RECYCLE them.

Need Paper?

School requires a lot of paper. From study guides to blue book exams, paper continues to be the number-one consumed recyclable item in classrooms. Minimize paper use by submitting electronic copies when possible. Save paper by printing and submitting (when applicable) double-sided assignments. Close the loop and purchase recycled paper.

Got Cardboard?

Thousands of students will begin moving into dormitories and apartments this month. Rather than tossing the cardboard boxes in the trash, encourage residence halls to set up temporary recycling sites. This will make recycling cardboard that much easier for students.

Going Shopping?

If you are just grabbing a quick snack before class, skip the bag and place the item(s) in your backpack. If you are going grocery shopping be sure to bring along reusable bags. They are a durable alternative that can carry a lot of items. It can take a plastic bag up to 20 years to decompose. Keeping a few reusable bags in your backpack or trunk of your car is a simple way to protect the environment.

Beach Recycling

Summer is winding down! As you are planning that last-minute trip to the beach, please be sure to look for the nearest recycling bin. Here are the Top 5 things to recycle at the beach.

1. Water Bottles
2. Aluminum Cans
3. Magazines
4. Sunscreen Bottles
5. Aerosol Tanning Cans



Hazardous Household Collection for 2016

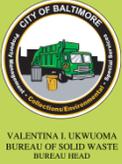
Fri. Aug 5th & Sat. Aug 6th
9 a.m. – 7p.m.

Northwest Citizens' Convenience Center
2840 Sisson Street

Dam Jam @ Loch Raven Reservoir

Sat. Aug 20th
10 a.m.- 4 p.m.

Cromwell Valley Park
2002 Cromwell Bridge Road



Please don't use plastic bags!

You can use anything as a container for your recyclables **except** plastic bags. Many grocery stores and supermarkets will recycle plastic bags.



Acceptable and Unacceptable Recycling Materials

Acceptable Recycling Material:

- Aerosol Cans (empty)
- Aluminum: cans, beverage and food containers, foil (clean), and pie pans
- Bottles: narrow-neck bottles
- Cartons (waxed): used for a liquid such as juices, milk or soups
- Glass containers such as bottles and jars (brown, clear or green)
- Metal: beverage and food containers
- Plastic: bottles and jars
- Prescription bottles, including caps
- Steel: beverage containers and food
- Tin: cans and foil

Rigid Plastics

(to be taken to the citizen drop-off centers)

Rigid plastics include milk/soda crates, buckets, laundry baskets, children's toys, etc.

Unacceptable Recycling Material Examples:

- Cookware and plates (plastic)
- Containers of toxic substances -e.g., cans motor oil, pesticides, etc.
- Contaminated paper products -e.g., napkins, paper towels, and tissue
- Dry cleaning bags
- Glass (window and mirror)
- Waxed paper

Re³ reminders

Inside the Baltimore Clean Guide

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**** And so much more*****

To download a electronic copy of the Baltimore City Clean Guide, visit: <http://publicworks.baltimorecity.gov/pw-public-info/publications>

Physical copies of the book are available by request to the Office of Recycling at 410-396-4511.

Mechanical Street Sweeping Program

Citywide Mechanical Street Sweeping is here! The Bureau of Solid Waste is working to make Baltimore City neighborhoods cleaner by sweeping the neighborhood **EVERY WEDNESDAY!**

Please do your part to help make Baltimore cleaner and greener by moving your cars so street sweepers can provide a "clean sweep" of our streets.

Monthly Street Sweeping Schedule:

NW & SE Quadrants:

- Odd Sides 1st Wednesdays
- Even Side: 2nd Wednesdays

SW & NE Quadrants

- Odd Sides: 3rd Wednesdays
- Even Sides: 4th Wednesdays

