

Eco Facts

1. The energy needed to replace all the aluminum cans wasted each year is equivalent to 16 million barrels of oil – enough to keep one million American cars on the road for a year. *Container Recycling Institute, 2003*

2. In 2008, Americans generated 250 million tons of trash and recycled only 83 million tons. *EPA, 2010*

3. On average, paper accounts for more than 40% of a landfill's contents. *EPA, 2003*

4. Recycling glass, instead of making it from silica sand, reduces mining waste by 75% and air pollution by 75%. *Lehigh County Solid Waste Management, 2003*

5. The energy saved each year by steel recycling is equal to the electrical power used annually by 18 million homes – or enough energy to last the city of Los Angeles for eight years. *Steel Recycling Institute, 2003*

6. Recycling 1 ton of paper saves 17 trees, 2 barrels of oil, 4,100 kW of energy, 3.2 cu yds of landfill space and 60 lbs. of air pollution. *Trash to Cash, 1996*



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The Recycling Center is open to the public Tuesday through Saturday from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm. We are closed for County Holidays.

Unless otherwise specified, all items listed can be recycled free of charge.

Please separate your recycling items.

Items not meeting the listed criteria are considered trash and will be charged at the applicable rate.

No scavenging is allowed at the Recycling Center.

The Recycling Center does not accept hazardous material; including but not limited to gasoline, paint and paint cans, solvents, bleach, nail polish, acetone, disinfectants, drain cleaners, mercury thermometers, floor wax, moth balls, oven cleaner, pesticides, herbicides, perfumes, smoke detectors, spot remover, aerosol cans, medical waste, ammunition, fireworks, and radioactive materials.

Individuals enter the Recycling Center at their own risk.

Save the Earth Recycle



Clear Creek County Recycling Center

Reduce-Reuse-Recycle

Recyclable Containers

Plastics #1 -- #7

What: Plastic containers with a number, both clear and colored, including water bottles, milk jugs, laundry soap containers, grocery bags and personal care products

How: Discard caps, empty, rinse and separate

Not Accepted: Food wrap, oil and antifreeze bottles, plastic toys, chemical containers and Styrofoam

Glass Food & Beverage Containers

What: Food and beverage bottles and jars – clear, green, brown or blue

How: Empty and rinse, remove lids, and leave labels on, separate by color

Not Accepted: Drinking glasses, dishes, broken glass, window glass, ceramics, blue or black glass, and light bulbs

Metal Food & Beverage Containers

What: Steel and aluminum containers including soup, soda, beer, pet food cans, pie plates, aluminum pans and aluminum foil

How: Empty, rinse, and remove labels (no need to flatten), and place in the correct bin

Not accepted: Scrap metal such as toasters, pots and frying pans

Recyclable Paper

Newspapers, Magazines, Telephone Books, and Paper

What: Newspapers and inserts, copy paper, magazines, catalogs, soft/hard cover books, and shredded paper, prepackaged food containers, egg cartons, non-corrugated paperboard products

How: Place in paper recycling bin

Not Accepted: Tissue paper or junk mail with plastic

Corrugated Cardboard

What: Double-walled cardboard, shipping cartons, and brown paper bags

How: Cardboard must be clean and corrugated. Flatten, remove tape and staples

Not Accepted: Shoe boxes, waxed cardboard, frozen food containers, and non-corrugated cardboard products

Other Recyclables

Scrap Metal

What: Tin, copper, aluminum, steel and cast iron

How: Place in the correct scrap metal bin

Not Accepted: Wire, fencing, cable, or sealed containers

Cooking Oil

What: Used cooking oil ~ canola, corn, vegetable, olive, and sesame.

How: Empty into the cooking oil drum

Not Accepted: Peanut oil and cooking oil contaminated with any other substance

Compostables

What: Grass, leaves, horse manure, clean dirt, and ground or chipped trees

How: Place in the appropriate pile

Not Accepted: Dirt containing rocks and mine tailings

Waste Oil & Antifreeze

What: Used, clean motor oil and engine coolant

How: Empty into the waste oil or antifreeze drum

Not Accepted: Oil or antifreeze that is contaminated with gasoline, diesel, or any other substance; cooking oils

Recycled Items Accepted for a Fee

Batteries

What: Alkaline, lithium ion, NiCD, NiCAD, and NiMH batteries

Not Accepted: Damaged or leaking batteries

Fluorescent Bulbs

What: Compact fluorescent or tube bulbs

Not Accepted: Broken or damaged bulbs

Electronics

What: TV's, CPU's, monitors, DVD players, VCR's, laser printers, stereos, scanners, fax machines, microwaves

Not Accepted: Stereo speakers