

KNOXVILLE RECYCLING

Reuse, Reduce & Recycle

These are the watchwords of the Knoxville Recycling Program.

Every day an average American Produces and throws away about 4 or 5 pounds of waste. In a City like Knoxville, this means over 7,000 pounds (3.5 tons!) of waste must be disposed of every day. Knoxville's waste is currently being buried in the Knox County Landfill, but this landfill will not last forever. By recycling we can help to reduce that amount.

Recycling also helps preserve natural resources and the environment, and it saves energy too!

Recycling is usually the first piece of the waste reduction puzzle. Other ways we can reduce waste are composting and reducing waste before it occurs (such as buying in bulk and buying products without the excessive packaging).

Our current program includes:

- ↵ **Steel Food Cans:**
- ↵ **Plastic containers: soda, milk, juice, detergent, etc**
- ↵ **Aluminum beverage cans:**
- ↵ **Paper & cardboard products:**

Put all recyclables in the Blue Recycling Bin

Our current programs include:

- ↵ **Steel Tin Cans:** Rinse out thoroughly, labels do not have to be removed
- ↵ **Plastic Bottles #1 (PET) and #2 (HDPE):** Need to be rinsed - includes milk, juice, soda, detergent, water bottles, etc. (No Tropicana bottles as they are #7) Remove all caps from containers. No Styrofoam plastic salad/fruit containers or plastic plates. No automotive product bottles.
- ↵ **Aluminum Cans:** Used beverage cans only
- ↵ **Paper & More:** Newspaper & inserts, office & copy paper (no construction paper or wrapping paper), magazines, hardback & paperback books, 3rd class or junk mail (includes plastic window envelopes), corrugated cardboard (includes cereal & Kleenex boxes, etc.) no juice or wax-lined boxes. Please flatten boxes.

Remember

- ↵ **Place only recycling items in the container-NO garbage or other trash.**
- ↵ **Remove lids from plastic and metal containers**
- ↵ **Rinse all containers**
- ↵ **Labels do not need to be removed**

If we work together, we'll make recycling work for Knoxville!