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Happy New Year!

As we start anew in 2013, many recycling resolutions can be made that are easy to stick to and has a big impact on St. Louis and beyond. Here are some suggestions:

Recycle all paper (i.e., junk mail, boxes, magazines, envelopes, food boxes), bottles, and cans (aluminum, glass, metal, and plastic).

Buy products with little or no packaging and the largest size you can use. This not only saves the amount of materials being thrown into trash or recycling cans, but also saves **money!**

Buy reusable quality products such as non-disposable cameras, reusable or electric razors, reusable dishes, mugs and utensils, and have your child carry lunch in a reusable lunch box.

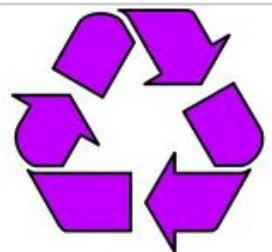
Bring your own mug to get coffee. Paper cups waste money and landfill space.

Buy products that are made with recycled materials. Look for paper products that contain post-consumer content.

Take only what you need (i.e., refuse unneeded give-a-ways, bags, or flyers).

Save gas by using public transportation or carpooling to work.

Compost your backyard trimmings as well as your fruit and vegetable scraps.



(Courtesy of egtrashrecycleservices.org)

Did you know?

The City of St. Louis donated 50 used street sweeper brushes to repurposed MATERIALS, a Denver-based business specializing in salvaging old materials from municipal, industrial, and commercial sources, then finding creative new ways to reuse them. Half of these brushes were repurposed then purchased as back scratchers for farm animals by a cattle rancher in Nebraska.

As a Reminder...

If there are any questions or suggestions regarding City recycling and refuse services, please do not hesitate to contact the Citizen Service Bureau at 314.622.4800, or the Recycling Program at 314.353.7176. Also, copious amounts of information regarding your recycling service is available online at

<http://www.stlouis-mo.gov/government/departments/street/refuse/recycle>. Included on the website are various resources for recyclable items the City currently cannot recycle through its curbside and drop-off services.



(Courtesy of Public Works, July 2012)

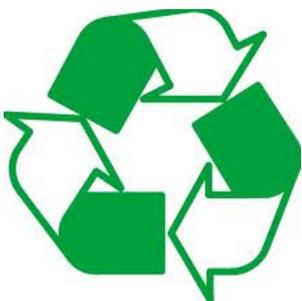
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