

*** Recycling Green Tips for Your Community ***
Provided by the Cuyahoga County Solid Waste District

- * Spread the word about proper recycling! Use these green tips for your community newsletter, website or on social media.
- * If you use a tip on your community's social media, most links will automatically pull and populate a photo from the District's website.
- * The Solid Waste District can be tagged in any post on social media (on Facebook @CuyahogaRecycles and on Twitter @RecycleCuyahoga).
- * Find more great, shareable content at www.CuyahogaRecycles.org and www.blog.cuyahogarecycles.org, or see our video library on YouTube.
- * For questions about these recycling tips or other content, call Cristie Snyder at (216) 443-3749.

Topic	Copy	Link
Business Recycling	Do your part at work when you help recycle office paper, magazines, newspapers and cardboard. Learn more about workplace recycling	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/work_recycling_behaviors
Business Recycling	Encourage employees to bring their lunch to work in reusable containers with a reusable cloth napkin. Learn how to pack a waste-free lunch. #CuyahogaRecycles	www.youtube.com/watch?v=EvJRSCT7YfX
School Recycling	Worksheets, education materials and teacher guides are available for classrooms in Cuyahoga County. Teachers can add recycling education to their curriculum today.	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/early_education_worksheets
Business Recycling	Start a recycling program at work. Check out this video of recycling and waste reduction tips.	www.youtube.com/watch?v=EyQtMLjk6Tk
Business Recycling	Request a workplace presentation for your office. The Solid Waste District's business recycling specialist can talk about waste reduction and recycling in your business. Learn how.	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/recycling_presentations
Business Recycling	You can recycle at work too. Check a few quick tips on how to green your office.	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/tips_to_green_your_office
Cans	All metal food and beverage cans such as pop, beer, soup, vegetable and tuna can be recycled in your community's recycling program. Cans should be emptied, rinsed then recycled.	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/cans
Cans	Aluminum cans placed in curbside recycling are processed and turned back in to new cans and foil that you'll see on store shelves. Steel cans are recycled into new cans, car parts and even bridges.	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/cans
Cartons	Recycle cartons through your curbside recycling program including milk, juice, soup and broth plus wine cartons. Cartons should be emptied and rinsed. Replace the cap and place loose in your recycling cart.	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/cartons
Cartons	The paper fiber contained in cartons is extremely valuable and useful to make new products. Cartons are recycled into tissues, office paper and wall boards for manufacturing.	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/cartons
Contamination	Don't contaminate your recycling! Learn how to recycle right. #CuyahogaRecycles	www.blog.cuyahogarecycles.org/proper-recycling-care/
Contamination	Contamination: Wish-cycling and Why We Wish It Would End #CuyahogaRecycles	www.blog.cuyahogarecycles.org/contamination-wish-cycling-end/
Electronics	Don't throw your unwanted electronics in the trash. Find details on recycling computers, cell phones and other items.	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/computer_recycling
Electronics	Five ways to recycle your computer and other electronics in Cuyahoga County #CuyahogaRecycles	www.blog.cuyahogarecycles.org/five-ways-recycle-computers/
Electronics	Computers and electronics can be recycled, but not in your curbside recycling. Most contain valuable metals that can be recovered through recycling. Residents can recycle computer equipment_____. Hours are _____.	www.youtube.com/watch?v=XXbmMf7_JfI

Electronics	Televisions can be recycled at your local Best Buy store for a fee. Best Buy offers recycling of electronics, gaming systems, vacuum cleaners, fans, pedometers and more. Click for details.	www.bestbuy.com/recycling
General	Ten Things to Know About Recycling in Cuyahoga County	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/frequently_asked_questions
General	Learn the recycling rules specific to our community with this handy community database. #CuyahogaRecycles	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/recycling_in_your_community
General	Know what to throw in Cuyahoga County. Learn how to recycle better and recycle right.	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/how_to_recycle
General	Most product packaging and paper can be recycled in your home. In fact, you can cut your trash in half when you combine cans, cartons, glass, and paper, along with plastic bottles and jugs in your curbside recycling. Recycle more, recycle better.	www.cuyahogarecycles.org
General	No matter where you live in Cuyahoga County, including _____, place cans, cartons, glass, paper and boxes along with plastic bottles and jugs in your home recycling.	www.youtube.com/watch?v=4CIXTVrh9Dw
General	Place recycling loose (not bagged) in your recycling cart or bin. Bags do not belong in your curbside mix. Recycle plastic bags and wrap at a retail store drop-off near you.	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/recycling_in_your_community
General	What does the saying "Reduce, Reuse, Recycle" really mean?	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/learn_reduce_reuse_recycle
General	No matter where you live in Cuyahoga County, your home recycling is the same. #CuyahogaRecycles	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/how_to_recycle
General	Where does your curbside recycling go once it's picked up? Find out here.	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/learn_the_recycling_process
General	Could your group use a presentation about recycling in Cuyahoga County? Request one here. #CuyahogaRecycles	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/recycling_presentations
General	Check out the entire instructional and informative video library about recycling and waste reduction in Cuyahoga County. Courtesy of Cuyahoga Recycles.	www.youtube.com/channel/UCPd4eLxqO9yswmu0ht2TXg/videos
Glass	Glass includes food and beverage bottles and jars of any color. Glass bottles and jars should be emptied and rinsed. Replace the lid and put in your curbside recycling. No need to remove the label. #CuyahogaRecycles	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/glass
Glass	Not all glass can be recycled. Do not place ceramics, Pyrex, windows, mirrors, crystal or light bulbs in your curbside recycling. Learn more.	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/glass
HHW	Still cleaning out the garage or basement? Here's what to do with household hazardous waste. Watch the video.	www.youtube.com/watch?v=0whgiDFQbmg
HHW	Watching paint dry. Or, how to dispose of latex paint. It's easier than you think. Read the blog.	www.blog.cuyahogarecycles.org/watching-paint-dry-dispose-latex-paint/
HHW	Latex paint, or water-base paint, is not hazardous. It should be dried up using cat litter and placed in the trash. Liquid paint will leak out of a trash can or truck and all over the city streets.	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/latex_paint
Holidays	Drop off your broken or unusable holiday lights for recycling until January 16.	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/holiday_lights
Holidays	End-of-the-year holidays, celebrations and special occasions usually generate more trash and waste than other times of the year. Here are some quick tips to reduce your waste and recycle more.	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/greening_holidays

Holidays	Don't forget to have your recycling container or craft paper bag handy while everyone is opening gifts! Do not include foil, plastic coating, ribbon, bows and glitter in with recycling.	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/greening_holidays
Holidays	Wrapping paper, holiday cards and boxes can be included with your regular curbside mixed paper collection. You can also take it to a local mixed paper drop-off.	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/greening_holidays
Newsletter	Want to know even more about recycling in Cuyahoga County? Sign up for the Solid Waste District's monthly Talking Trash newsletter. #CuyahogaRecycles	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/e_newsletters
Paper & Boxes	Recycle better: Empty then flatten those cardboard boxes for your curbside recycling. It's also important to keep them dry. #CuyahogaRecycles	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/cardboard
Paper & Boxes	Shredded paper should not be placed in your curbside recycling because the shreds are too small to be sorted at the Materials Recovery Facility (recycling plant) that receives your recyclables. Instead, please place shredded paper in paper bags and recycle at a paper drop off bin location.	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/paper_shredding
Paper & Boxes	Include newspapers and inserts, magazines, catalogs, junk mail, envelopes, greeting cards, coupon packets, phone books, cereal and dry food boxes, shoe boxes, toothpaste or OTC medicine boxes, paper tubes, tissue boxes, cardboard (flattened) and paper egg cartons loose (not bagged) in your recycling cart.	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/paper_and_boxes
Paper & Boxes	Paper is the most recycled material in the United States. It makes up over 40% of our recycling stream. Learn what types of paper go in your curbside recycling.	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/paper_and_boxes
Pass It On	Don't let that old furniture sit out in the rain. Donate it! Here's How.	www.youtube.be/tOSCBzdmteE
Plastic Bags	Plastic bags and plastic film should NOT be placed in your curbside recycling. Bags and film get tangled in the sorting machines at the recycling facilities and cause major problems for the recycling process.	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/plastic_bags
Plastic Bags	Plastic bags can be recycled at many retail locations, including Giant Eagle, Lowe's, Marc's, Target and Walmart stores. A collection bin can usually be found near the store entrance or the customer service desk.	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/plastic_bags
Plastic Bottles & Jugs	Plastic cups and utensils are not recyclable in your curbside mix. What will you use for your next party?	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/plastic_cups
Plastic Bottles & Jugs	Any plastic bottle, jar, jug or tub can be placed in your curbside recycling. Recycle plastic food and beverage bottles, shampoo and conditioner plus laundry detergent and bleach bottles. Bottles should be emptied and rinsed. Replace the cap and put in your curbside recycling.	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/plastic_bottles
Plastic Bottles & Jugs	Not all plastics with the 1-7 symbol are recyclable. Do not include plastic bags, plastic beverage cups, berry or produce containers, plastic blister packaging, Styrofoam packaging, cups and food containers, plastic utensils or hangers.	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/plastic_bottles
Plastic Bottles & Jugs	We no longer look at the numbers on plastics to determine if a plastic container is recyclable. Those numbers are actually resin codes used by the plastics industry to identify the chemicals used to make the container. The codes do not always mean that the item is recyclable.	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/plastic_bottles
Plastic cups	Plastic cups are not recyclable in your curbside mix. What will you use for your new year's party?	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/plastic_cups
Contamination	Don't contaminate your recycling! Learn how to recycle right.	www.blog.cuyahogarecycles.org/proper-recycling-care/
Reduce	When we say, "Reduce, Reuse, Recycle," Reduce is first for a reason. Read the blog.	www.blog.cuyahogarecycles.org/reduce-is-first-for-a-reason/
Reuse	Reuse is different than recycling. It requires an open mind and a little imagination.	www.blog.cuyahogarecycles.org/reuse-9-resources-learning/
School Recycling	Be a recycling hero when you start a milk and juice recycling program at your school. It's easy.	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/let_carton_live_on

School Recycling	School lunches can generate a lot of trash. Learn how to pack a waste-free lunch. Watch the video.	https://youtu.be/EvJR5C7YfxY
School Recycling	Encourage the teachers in your life to go green at school and in the classroom!	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/teacher_resources_links
School Recycling	Request a classroom presentation for your students. The Solid Waste District's educator can teach about waste reduction and recycling in your classroom. Learn how.	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/school_age_and_youth_lectures
School Recycling	Check out a list of fun and educational ideas for Earth Day at your school.	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/earth_day_ideas
School Recycling	Start a student recycling club. Have students collect items that can be recycled from classrooms and common areas to keep it from going to a landfill.	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/recycling_at_school
School Recycling	Hey teachers! Learn how to get started greening your school	www.blog.cuyahogarecycles.org/thinking-outside-trashcan-15-back-to-school-green-tips/
Tires	Here's why you should pay to have your old car tires recycled at the tire shop.	www.blog.cuyahogarecycles.org/scrap-tire-puzzle/
Tires	When you buy new tires, dispose of your old tires through your tire retailer at the time of purchase. There is a small fee charged for tire disposal, which is a tax used for transporting and disposing of tires through state licensed facilities.	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/tires
Trash	The City of _____ rubbish and recycling collection is provided by _____. If you have issues with your rubbish or recycling collection, call _____ at ____ (phone) _____. Hours are _____.	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/recycling_in_your_community
Trash	Have excess trash? Several private companies will provide dumpsters or containers for large clean outs. You can also deliver waste to a solid waste transfer station for a fee. See a list of options.	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/facilities
What Do I Do With?	Do not place fryer oil in the trash or down a drain. Fryer oil from a home can be properly disposed at a household hazardous waste collection.	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/fryer_oil
What Do I Do With?	Grill propane tanks can be recycled for free at any Blue Rhino location. Learn more.	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/propane_tanks
What Do I Do With?	VCR and cassette tapes do not belong in curbside recycling. Place them in the regular trash for disposal. Learn more.	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/VCR_tapes
What Do I Do With?	Fluorescent tube bulbs contain mercury and should be recycled properly. Spent LED and incandescent bulbs go in the regular trash.	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/fluorescent_bulbs
What Do I Do With?	Do not pour unused or unwanted antifreeze into a storm sewer or down the drains in your home. Storm drains flow directly to streams and Lake Erie.	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/antifreeze
What Do I Do With?	Compact fluorescent light bulbs (CFLs) can be recycled for free at Lowe's and Home Depot stores. Look for the lobby dropbox.	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/fluorescent_bulbs
What Do I Do With?	Old single-use alkaline batteries can be placed in the trash for disposal. Recycle the rechargeable ones for free at a retail store near you. Learn more.	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/batteries
What Do I Do With?	Do not place Styrofoam in your curbside recycling. Styrofoam "clamshell" containers, cups and trays cannot be recycled in Northeast Ohio. These items should be disposed of in the regular trash.	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/styrofoam
What Do I Do With?	Old clothes don't belong in your curbside recycling. Find a place to donate your unwanted shirts, shoes and other fabric items.	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/clothing

What Do I Do With?	Give used medical equipment a second chance. Donate hospital beds, wheelchairs and walkers to an organization that (can and will) reuse. Learn more.	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/Medical_Equipment_and_Supplies
What Do I Do With?	Recycle concrete and building materials through specialized companies or a construction and demolition debris landfill.	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/construction_materials
What Do I Do With?	With proper care, needles and sharps should be placed in the regular trash for disposal. See details.	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/needles_and_sharps
Yard Waste	Small amounts of yard waste and organics can be composted in your own backyard. Learn more about backyard composting at an upcoming free seminar offered by the Cuyahoga County Solid Waste District. See a list of events.	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/compost_workshops_and_bins
Yard Waste	Want to compost leaves and yard waste in your own backyard? Learn how.	www.blog.cuyahogarecycles.org/composting-leaves-backyard/
Yard Waste	Large amounts of yard waste, wood, leaves, brush, logs and dirt can be hauled to a local yard waste facility. See a list of options.	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/facilities
Yard Waste	Worried about food waste? Learn how to compost your meals and more at an upcoming workshop. It's FREE!	www.cuyahogarecycles.org/compost_workshops_and_bins