

# Stark State College – Campus Recycling

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## What we Recycle

### Plastic Bottles

1. Recycle #1 and #2 plastics only.
2. You do not need to remove labels from plastic or glass.
3. Empty bottle contents and remove lids from plastic bottles. Bottle lids are typically not classified as #1 or #2 plastics.

Producing new plastic from recycled material uses only two-thirds of the energy required to manufacture it from virgin raw materials. **FIVE** 2-liter recycled PET bottles produce enough fiberfill to make a **ski jacket**; **36** recycled bottles can make ONE square yard of **carpet**.

### Glass Bottles

1. Recycle **ONLY** clear and brown glass.
2. Remove the lids and rinse bottles.
3. Only food and drink containers can be recycled on campus. Please do not place mirrors, light bulbs or other glass materials in the bins.

Producing glass from virgin materials requires 30% more energy than producing it from crushed, used glass. Recycling **ONE** ton of glass saves equivalent of **TEN** gallons of **oil**.

### Paper

1. DO recycle the following: newspapers, magazines, phone books, corrugated/cardboard boxes and cartons (flattened), pizza boxes (no wax paper), junk mail, office/computer paper (staples are okay), hard cover books, brochures, post-it notes, small staples, etc...
2. Please do **NOT** recycle the following: wax paper, wax-corrugated boxes, Styrofoam, foam packaging, wood objects, metal objects including large staples and paper clips, plastic bags, and food-soiled items.

For **every ton** of paper recycled, we save...

- 2 barrels of oil;
- 7,000 gallons of water;
- 3 cubic yards of landfill space;
- 4,100 kilowatt hours of energy;
- 17 trees

### Aluminum Cans

Bins for collecting aluminum cans are located in select areas to raise money for charitable causes supported by student groups. Please note: If a metal can collection bin is not available, it is okay to place the cans in the plastic & glass recycling bins.

Recycling aluminum uses less than 5% of the energy used to make the original product. Recycling **ONE** aluminum beverage can saves enough energy to run a **100-watt bulb** for 20 hours, a **computer** for 3 hours, or a **TV** for 2 hours.

### **Alkaline- Nickel Batteries**

Batteries can be recycled in the Timken Building lobby on the first floor (Bldg. C). Please look for the collection bin that looks like a 9 Volt battery. (Available in spring 2011)

### **Cell Phones**

Collection bins are located in the cafeteria and at the Interfaith table located on the first floor of the Student Services Center. (11/2010)

Not only are lead, mercury, cadmium and arsenic in your cell phone, leaching into the soil and groundwater in landfills, cell phones also contain an ore called coltan, which is mined in endangered gorilla habitat in Africa. The coltan from all unusable phones will be extracted for recycling into new phones. For more information, visit [www.cincinnati-zoo.org/savingspecies/gorilla\\_action.html](http://www.cincinnati-zoo.org/savingspecies/gorilla_action.html). Donate a cell phone, save a gorilla!

### **Recycling Locations**

*Note: Please do NOT move the bins around campus! If you need a bin, please let us know.*

### **Interior Public Areas**

Recycling stations are available in all interior public areas. Typical stations include bins for plastic and glass collection. Collection bins for metal cans are provided in select locations. In areas where printers are located, bins for paper collection are also available.

### **Computer Labs and Classrooms**

Bins for paper collection are located in all computer labs. Bins will not be provided for individual classrooms unless the course requires and produces a significant amount of paper. If your classroom needs a bin, please let us know.

### **Office Areas**

Each office area will have a recycling center for paper, plastics/glass/metal cans, and printer cartridges. Metal cans can now be collected together with the plastics and glass, but please note that some office areas may have separate collection bins for metal cans to raise funds for charity. These bins will be emptied by individual staff, faculty or student groups instead of by the custodial staff. Recycling will be collected from each area on a daily or as needed basis.

Bins for paper collection will be provided for every individual office. Please empty these bins into the common collection bin located in or adjacent to your office area for pick up. If you need a bin delivered to your office, please let us know.

Please be sure not to recycle anything confidential. Continue to place these items in the (green) shredding bins located in the mailrooms.

## Outside Areas

Exterior areas for recycling containers are under evaluation.

## Recyclable Materials Brought from Home

Faculty/staff can bring recyclables from home. Please put them directly in the outside bins which are located in the gravel area outside of the old Receiving dock.

## Recycling Location Maps

Maps indicating recycling locations are located in the digital library under “Campus Recycling.”

## Recycling Collection

### Public Areas

Recycling in public areas is collected on a bi-weekly basis or as needed by Phi Theta Kappa students. Other student groups interested in helping with this effort should contact their Student Group Advisor for more information.

### Computer Labs and Classrooms

Recycling in the computer labs and select classrooms is collected on a daily basis or as needed by the facilities staff. If you need a blue bin in your computer lab, please let us know.

### Office Areas

Paper, plastic and glass recycling in shared office areas are collected on a daily basis by the facilities staff. Printer cartridges are collected by Cartridge World.

**Note:** Only recyclable materials located in the blue bins will be collected. All other bins (cardboard, white plastic, etc...) need to be transferred to a blue bin for collection. If you need a blue bin in your office area or a box for collecting materials for your individual office, please let us know.

## For More Information

Please refer to the Stark State College “Going Green” website for recycling facts and the subject guide, “Sustainability” located on the digital library for campus recycling.