

Messiah Recycles

Aluminum / Tin



- Includes metal beverage/food containers
- These can be commingled with Glass and plastic containers
- Place them in plastic bags (tied shut) or appropriate containers
- RINSE THEM OUT!

Fun Fact: A recycled aluminum can is typically re-manufactured and put back in a store within 6 weeks.

Glass



- Includes Brown, Clear, Green Bottles and Jars
- These can be commingled with Aluminum and plastic containers
- No mirrors, light bulbs, ceramics, window glass, or broken glass
- Place them in plastic bags (tied shut) or appropriate containers
- RINSE THEM OUT!

Fun Fact: Recycled glass can be used to make asphalt pavement or fiberglass insulation.

Plastic



- Includes plastics stamped with #1 through #7
- These can be commingled with Aluminum and Glass containers
- Place them in plastic bags (tied shut) or appropriate containers
- RINSE THEM OUT!

Fun Fact: 1/3 of the "average American's" garbage is packaging waste. Break out of the mold and purchase products with less packaging.

Bags should be tied completely shut and placed in the Green totters on wheels located by the trash dumpsters. DO NOT PUT LOOSE INTO THE TOTTERS.

Paper

- Includes all types of paper with the exception of carbon paper, used paper cups, plates and napkins, waxed paper, used tissues, candy wrappers, paper towels, and cellophane.
- Place your paper in the brown paper bags provided (in apartments), or containers located in the lobbies of the Residence Halls and academic buildings. When the bag is full, take it to the green totter (labeled Office Paper) and dump it in loose and continue using the paper bag provided. DO NOT mix with cardboard.

Fun Facts: Newsprint is one of the easiest papers to recycle because it has no chemicals or fillers. One average, each person uses 2 pine trees worth of paper products each year.

Cardboard/Chipboard

- Includes cereal, cracker, soda boxes, and clean pizza boxes. Remove the foil inserts and food residue from the pizza boxes before placing in any recycle bins.
- Boxes must be flattened and placed in the cardboard containers located behind the Residence Halls.

Fun Fact: Over 75% of cardboard boxes are made into new boxes.

Styrofoam



- Includes takeout (clamshell) containers and cups
- Remove all food/utensils/napkins/straws
- Place in designated bins located throughout campus
- No packing peanuts

Fun Fact: The Styrofoam is melted down into plastic pellets, which are then used to create new products.

ITEMS NOT RECYCLED: Plastic Bags, Waxed Juice/Milk containers, and waxed cardboard.

If you have any questions pertaining to our recycling program, please contact Wes Bower (WBower@messiah.edu) or Hilary Kreider (HKreider@messiah.edu).