

Commonly Asked Questions



Do I have to remove the labels?

No, technology has improved the recycling process, so you no longer need to remove labels.

Can I recycle my plastic grocery bags?

No, unfortunately, curbside programs do not accept plastic bags. The District recommends reusing the plastic bags before throwing them away. You can also request paper bags. Paper bags can be recycled in your curbside bin or any recycling drop-off.

What types of plastic can be recycled?

Currently, #1 and #2 plastic bottles and jugs are the only type of plastic accepted. Remember to remove and throw away the lids!

What happens to my recyclables once they are collected?

Collected recyclables are delivered to a material recovery facility. Recyclables are sorted by type, baled, and sent to industries who use the recyclables in their manufacturing process.

Curious About Recycling In Your New Community?

I'm a new homeowner...

...and I want to know more about recycling in my community!



Welcome to Hamilton County!



Congratulations on your new home!

Now that you have settled in, the Hamilton County Solid Waste Management District (District) encourages you to join your neighbors and begin recycling.

Make The Recycling Commitment!

Now that you have the recycling facts, make a commitment to recycling!

Call (513) 946-7766 or visit www.hcdoes.org to find out how easy it is to recycle in your community. Recycling in Hamilton County is easy, helps the environment, and helps the economy.

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Recycling Hotline

Recycling is Easy!

Hamilton County is home to 49 cities, townships, and villages. Each jurisdiction has its own method of waste removal and recycling. To find out how to recycle in your community, call the **Recycling Hotline at (513) 946-7766** or visit our website at www.hcdoes.org and click on solid waste management.

Recycling is Good for the Environment!

Recycling saves natural resources, saves energy, decreases pollution, and reduces landfilling. In 2002, Hamilton County residents, businesses, and industries recycled 1.3 million tons of material.

Recycling 1.3 million tons saves:

1,329,882 Trees
696,000 Tons of Natural Resources
13,355 Kilowatt-hours of Energy

Recycling is Good for the Economy!

Many people know recycling is good for the environment, but did you know it is also good for the economy? The recycling industry supports 4.3 percent of the jobs in Ohio, contributes \$6 billion in annual wages, and \$30 billion in annual sales. Overall, 3.7 percent of Ohio's gross state product is attributable to the recycling industry.