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Improved Recycling in the State Capitol Building

Give our waste another chance!

How Recycling Helps our Environment:

When recycled materials are used (rather than virgin materials) to make new products, the environmental benefits include:



- One ton of paper from old recycled paper saves 17 trees and 24,000 gallons of water.
- Making new aluminum from recycled cans requires 95% less energy than making aluminum from virgin minerals.
- Making new glass from recycled glass generates 20% less air pollution and 50% less water pollution than virgin glass production.

Questions?

For recycling and waste disposal help, please call the Help Desk at 303-866-4357

The renovation of the Capitol Building's recycling program has been made possible thanks to the Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment's Recycling Resources Economic Opportunity Grant program.

For more information please visit

www.colorado.gov/pacific/cdphe/recycling-grants.



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Stop. Think. Toss.

Think.

First Choice for Service

What's New?

New at each desk in the Capitol building is a blue recycle bin and black trash bin. All you need to do is sort your discards based on guidance in this brochure. Custodians will empty both each night.

Now you can give your waste a second chance and recycle more easily! Recycling helps Colorado in many ways.

Why Recycle?

Recycling gives waste a second life. It helps protect limited resources. Recycling helps Colorado by creating more jobs than throwing trash in landfills. Recycling keeps Colorado green by saving energy, water, and protecting the environment and our climate.

Colorado Jobs & Recycling*

As of 2014, the Colorado recycling industry:

- Supported nearly 86,000 jobs—nearly 3% of total employment
- Paid over \$5 billion in labor wages
- Produced nearly \$9 billion in direct economic impact
- Generated \$1.3 billion in state & local tax revenue

In general, recycling in Colorado creates three times more jobs than landfilling, per ton.



*Source: Economic Study of Recycling in Colorado, for CO Dept. of Public Health & Environment, 2014.

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How to Recycle

Please recycle:

- Aluminum cans, trays & clean foil
- Cardboard
- Glass bottles & jars
- Metal cans
- Plastic bottles, jars, tubs, & jugs
- Paper—office, news, mixed, magazines
- Paperboard (i.e., tissue boxes)

Please empty all beverage containers, and clean food scraps off recyclables before recycling.

For recycling books, bulk cardboard, or other questions, please call the Help Desk at 303-866-4357. Shredded papers go in designated receptacles.



All recyclables go in the new blue bin

Think.

Still trash:

- Candy wrappers & chip bags
- Coffee cups, creamers & stirrers
- Foam cups, clamshells & peanuts
- Food
- Frozen food boxes
- K-cups
- Paper towels, tissues & napkins
- Plastic bags, utensils, wrap/film



All trash goes in the new black bin

Toss.