



# Apartment Recycling Guide

## Benefits of recycling right and reducing waste

- Separating reusable and recyclable materials can save you money on your garbage service.
- Creates jobs for collecting, sorting, selling and distributing recycled materials.
- Reduces waste in landfills and pollution that contributes to climate change.
- Conserves energy and natural resources like trees, water and minerals.



## Think beyond recycling

Making new things and getting them to stores uses more energy and resources. Here are some things you can do:

- Borrow and reuse items to save money, prevent clutter and reduce waste.
- Repair and maintain items to make them last longer.
- Waste reduction is the most effective way to preserve natural resources, protect the environment and save money. Find out more at [WashingtonCountyRecycles.com](http://WashingtonCountyRecycles.com)

**Can I borrow it?** See if your local library has a library of things at [Wccls.Org](http://Wccls.Org)



**Can I reuse it?** Choose durable options that can be reused.



**Can I repair it?** Find a free community repair event at [WashingtonCountyRecycles.com/Repair](http://WashingtonCountyRecycles.com/Repair)



## What to recycle and where



- Learn about special drop-off events in your area.
- Find nearby donation locations or drop-off recycling centers for items that aren't recyclable at your apartment community.

[WashingtonCountyRecycles.com/GRD](http://WashingtonCountyRecycles.com/GRD)



# Recycling



**Metal, paper, flattened cardboard, plastic bottles, & round plastic containers**  
6 oz or larger, empty & dry

**✗ No plastic bags or wrap, lids, glass, garbage**



## Find more information

 [WashingtonCountyRecycles.com](http://WashingtonCountyRecycles.com)  
 [recycle@WashingtonCountyOR.gov](mailto:recycle@WashingtonCountyOR.gov)  
 503-846-3605  
  @WashingtonCountyRecycles

# Glass



**Bottles & jars only, empty & dry**

**✗ No lids, lightbulbs, caps, ceramics, broken glass of any type**



# Hazardous waste



**Visit [OregonMetro.gov/HHW](http://OregonMetro.gov/HHW) or call 503-234-3000 for proper disposal options.**

Includes chemicals, propane tanks and flammable items, medications, motor oil, TVs, computers or other electronics

# Garbage



**All garbage, including plastic bags, to-go containers, lids & packaging**

**✗ No TVs, computers, batteries, hazardous waste (flammables, paint, pesticides), syringes or medical sharps**



# Bulky waste



Consider giving away large household items that are still in good condition or visit [WashingtonCountyRecycles.com/GRD](http://WashingtonCountyRecycles.com/GRD) for donation locations.



**Disposal options:**

**Forest Grove Transfer Station**  
1525 B St.  
Forest Grove, 97116  
800-808-5901  
No hazardous waste

**Tualatin Valley Waste Recovery Facility**  
Located at Hillsboro Landfill  
3205 SE Minter Bridge Rd.  
Hillsboro, 97123  
503-640-9427  
No food or hazardous waste

**Call before you go for disposal rates, to confirm accepted items and hours.**