

Holiday Recycling Guide

2023

Use LED Lights!

Traditional incandescent holiday lights are huge energy suckers! We recommend investing in LEDs. They may cost a bit more up front, but holiday LED lights consume 80% less energy and last up to 25 times longer!

Re-Charge It!

Why not switch to rechargeable batteries? Every year, over 15 billion batteries are produced worldwide, and many are alkaline batteries that are thrown out after just one use! Replace your alkaline batteries with rechargeable ones!

Stop Junk Mail!

The holiday catalogs bring other mail asking you to buy, but you can stop it! As soon as you receive an unwanted publication, call the 1-800 number and ask to be removed from the list. It's easy!

Zero Waste?

Smaller gatherings can bring reusable dishware rather than disposable tableware. Serve your holiday favorites on real dishware this holiday season. Prevent food waste by planning for the appropriate servings for your group!

Zero Waste Gift Wrapping

Most gift wrapping paper has high clay and low paper content, making it difficult to recycle. Instead use cloths, newspapers, posters, maps or calendars! If you're shipping gifts, replace foam or bubble wrap with balled up recyclable paper!

Repurpose tags and cards!

Have old holiday cards? Repurpose them as gift tags or place setting cards. Consider sending out e-cards this holiday!

Trees!

What goes up, must come down. Recycle your holiday trees. Contact your local municipality and see when they are collecting trees for mulching.

