


APPENDIX A

Waste Prevention Tips


In the Office

- ♻️ Buy paper, office supplies and other products made with recycled content. Look for this symbol .
- ♻️ Print newsletters, posters, and other resident communications on recycled paper.
- ♻️ Use both sides of paper before recycling it.
- ♻️ Recycle your inkjet cartridges.
- ♻️ Make two-sided photocopies whenever possible.
- ♻️ Reuse boxes, packaging peanuts, and bubble wrap to ship packages.
- ♻️ Use washable mugs instead of styrofoam or paper cups.
- ♻️ Donate reusable furniture, computers, and office equipment to schools and charitable organizations.
- ♻️ Buy items in bulk.

On Your Property

- ♻️ Grasscycle or leave grass clippings on the lawn when it is mowed.
- ♻️ Compost yard trimmings such as leaves, brush, and other trimmings.
- ♻️ Buy cleaning and other products in bulk and make sure they are safe for the environment.
- ♻️ Post notices in common areas, instead of printing a copy for each resident.

Tips for Residents

- ♻️ Buy products made with recycled content. Look for this symbol .
- ♻️ Donate usable clothing and furniture to a local charity.
- ♻️ Rent, share, or borrow items not used frequently.
- ♻️ Buy items in bulk, in concentrated form, or in the largest container that is practical.
- ♻️ Buy durable and reusable products and limit purchases of disposable items.
- ♻️ Buy food and other items with little or no packaging.
- ♻️ When shopping, take reusable bags to carry purchases.
- ♻️ Choose products packaged in materials that can be recycled in Montgomery County.

For more ideas on how to prevent waste, call the Montgomery County Division of Solid Waste Services, **(240) 777-6400** and ask for the County's *Use It Again, Montgomery County* guide.