

The Recycling Process

Ever wonder how the recycling process works from start to finish? What happens to that plastic bottle after you put it in the recycling bin?

Collection & Processing

The recycling process begins when you place your recyclable items in the single stream recycling bin. Your recyclables are then transported to a facility to be sorted and prepared for market. It is important to note that machines *do not* do all the work at these facilities. Real people have to sort through the materials received, so please be considerate and recycle your items properly.

Manufacturing

Recycled raw materials such as paper, cardboard, metal, plastics, and glass are then used by various manufacturers to make new products.

Buying Recycled Products

The recycling process ends when you as a consumer choose to buy products and packaging with recycled content. The recycling process restarts to ensure the success and value of recycling.

View videos of the recycling process at:
www.fultoncountyconservationdistrict.org/recycling



Workers sorting at a recycling facility.

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Recycle your electronics, household hazardous waste, tires, and more!

To learn about other recycling opportunities in Fulton County, please visit us on the web: www.fultoncountyconservationdistrict.org/recycling

The Fulton County Single Stream Recycling Program is a service provided to the residents of Fulton County by the Fulton County Commissioners. The Fulton County Conservation District administers the program for the County.

Single Stream Bin Locations:

McConnellsburg Recycling Center

610 East North Street
McConnellsburg, PA

Forbes Road High School

143 Red Bird Drive
Waterfall, PA

Bethel Twp. Municipal Building

289 Long Hollow Road
Warfordsburg, PA

Old Thompson Twp. Municipal Building

4256 Timber Ridge Road
Big Cove Tannery, PA

Licking Creek Twp. Municipal Building

966 Forrestdale Road
Harrisonville, PA

Hustontown Country Market

8933 Waterfall Road
Hustontown, PA

Nearby Bin Locations in Huntingdon and Bedford Counties:

Sandy Run Landfill

995 Landfill Road
Hopewell, PA

Wood-Mizer

22638 Croghan Pike
Shade Gap, PA

Weaver's Sanitation Service

820 South Breezewood Road
Breezewood, PA



FULTON COUNTY SINGLE STREAM RECYCLING PROGRAM

Why should I recycle?

There are many reasons why recycling is *the right thing to do* for your household, our community, our country, and the environment. The top 5 reasons to recycle:

- **Conserves** natural resources
- **Reduces** the need for landfills
- **Prevents** pollution
- **Saves** energy
- **Creates** jobs

Make a commitment to recycle as much as you can in your household. **REDUCE** your consumption, **REUSE** all that you can, and **RECYCLE** to reduce the amount of items going into your garbage each week. The bottom line? You save money on your trash bill!

Why throw it away when it can be made into something new?

SINGLE STREAM: How to Recycle Properly

Recycling in Fulton County is so easy! You do not have to sort your recyclable items! Just toss them all into the bin! All materials should be **loose** - not bagged, bundled, or boxed. Please **empty** and **rinse** all containers and **flatten** and **break down** all cardboard boxes. Here are some tips on how to properly recycle the following items that are **ACCEPTED**:



Paper and Paperboard

Recycle **clean** paper products, such as:

- Office paper (any color)
- Shredded paper (strip-cut only)
- Newspapers and inserts
- Magazines, catalogs, and brochures
- Junk mail and envelopes
- Phone books and books with soft covers
- Paper bags
- Pizza boxes (clean, not greasy)
- Food boxes (like cereal boxes)
- Milk and juice cartons (gable-top)
- Paperboard packaging (tissue and shoe boxes, flattened)
- Empty paper towel and toilet paper rolls

Do not recycle dirty or soiled paper products.

No dirty or soiled paper towels, napkins, paper plates, diapers, feminine hygiene products, toilet paper, tissues, or pizza boxes. Please dispose of all dirty or soiled paper products with your regular household garbage.



Metal

Recycle **clean, empty** metal containers, such as:

- Aluminum cans
- Steel cans
- Aerosol cans
- Paint cans

Do not recycle aluminum foil or scrap metal.



Glass

Recycle **clean, empty** glass **food and beverage containers only**. Glass may be clear, green, blue, or brown.

Do not recycle the following glass items:

- Broken glass
- Windows
- Mirrors
- Candle holders
- Light bulbs
- Drinking glasses
- Dishes
- Ceramics or Pyrex



Cardboard

Recycle cardboard boxes. All cardboard boxes must be **broken down** and **flattened** before placing them in the bin.

By breaking your boxes down, you help maximize precious space inside the bin for more recyclable materials. In addition, the recycling facility that receives these materials is designed to handle flattened boxes, not intact boxes.

Keep all cardboard material loose. Do not bundle your cardboard. Do not bundle it in plastic bags or inside another cardboard box.

Do not recycle packing materials.

No bubble wrap, shrink wrap, packing peanuts, or Styrofoam in any form. Please dispose of these items with your regular household garbage.



Plastic

Recycle **clean, empty** rigid plastic containers with the numbers 1-7 on the bottom of the container.

Do not recycle plastic bags or packaging such as:

- Garbage bags
- Ziploc bags
- Bread bags
- Cheese bags
- Food wrappers
- Grocery bags

If you bring items to the recycling bin in a plastic bag, please empty the recyclable materials into the bin and reuse your plastic bag to store recyclables for your next trip to the facility.

The Giant Food Center has a bin inside their store, where the grocery carts are located, for recycling clean plastic grocery bags only. Please take advantage of their service if you have an excess of plastic grocery bags.

NOT ACCEPTED:

- Pots, pans, and scrap metal such as automotive parts and appliances - **Scrap metal** can be taken to a salvage yard.
- Solvent, oil, or chemical containers of any kind
- Metal or plastic clothes hangers
- Needles, syringes, or medical waste
- **Food waste** - Food is compostable, not recyclable.
- **Electronics** - Recyclable electronics should be placed in the electronics shed located on-site.
- **Batteries** - Rechargeable batteries can be placed in the electronics shed; alkaline batteries cannot be recycled and should be disposed of in your regular household garbage.