

# Environmental Events

## Environmental Presentations (Available Year Around)

Invite the City's Environmental Coordinator to your next neighborhood meeting, civic group presentation, school function, or community event. Contact [ESD@tuscaloosa.com](mailto:ESD@tuscaloosa.com) to book a free presentation today.

## Phone Book Recycling Contest

Bring old phone books to participating Tuscaloosa City & Tuscaloosa County schools for recycling. Schools who collect the most phone books per student enrolled will win prizes.

## Household Hazardous Waste Disposal Day

Do you have old paint, pesticide, used oil, and other chemicals in your garage or shed? Safely dispose of these hazardous household items at this annual event.

## Community E-Cycling Days

Don't throw away old, broken or unused electronics. E-cycle them safely at this annual event.

**For more information about upcoming ESD events Tuscaloosa, Call 311 or visit [www.tuscaloosa.com/recycle](http://www.tuscaloosa.com/recycle)**

# Things to Remember...

- Residential curbside recycling will be collected the same day as garbage & trash. To find your collection day and holiday schedule, visit [www.tuscaloosa.com/ESD](http://www.tuscaloosa.com/ESD)
- Recycling bins must be at the curb before 7:00AM to ensure collection (before 6:00AM between Memorial Day & Labor Day).
- Always place your recycling bin separate from the garbage cart & trash pile.
- If you have qualified for disabled garbage collection, you will automatically qualify for disabled recycling collection. Call ESD for details.
- Live in an apartment, own a business or live outside the City-limits? Drop off your recyclables at one of the drop-off recycling trailers located around town. For a list of locations, visit [www.tuscaloosa.com/recycle](http://www.tuscaloosa.com/recycle)
- To request a recycling bin, request an additional recycling bin, or if your recycling bin is broken, call **Tuscaloosa 311**. Please note that supplies are limited.

# Tuscaloosa Recycles

## A Curbside Recycling Guide for City of Tuscaloosa Residential Garbage Customers



City of Tuscaloosa

## Environmental Services Department

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# City of Tuscaloosa Recycling Guide

Use this guide when recycling at home with the blue curbside recycling bin, or when visiting one of the numerous drop-off recycling trailers located around town. For more information, visit [www.tuscaloosa.com/recycle](http://www.tuscaloosa.com/recycle) or call Tuscaloosa 311.

## "What can I recycle in Tuscaloosa?"

### OFFICE PAPER

- White/color paper
- Lined paper
- Photo paper
- Junk mail (plastic windows & staples are acceptable)
- Paperback books & hardback books (must remove hard covers)
- Shredded paper

*Must be bundled or placed in plastic or paper bags*

*Remove all personal information*

### PLASTICS

#### Plastics #1

- Water bottles
  - Soda bottles
- Plastic containers marked #1 PETE



#### Plastic bottles #2

##### Bottles only

- Milk jugs
  - detergent bottles
  - shampoo bottles
- Must be marked #2 HDPE



#### Plastic film

- grocery bags
- Bundled together

### NEWSPAPERS & MAGAZINES

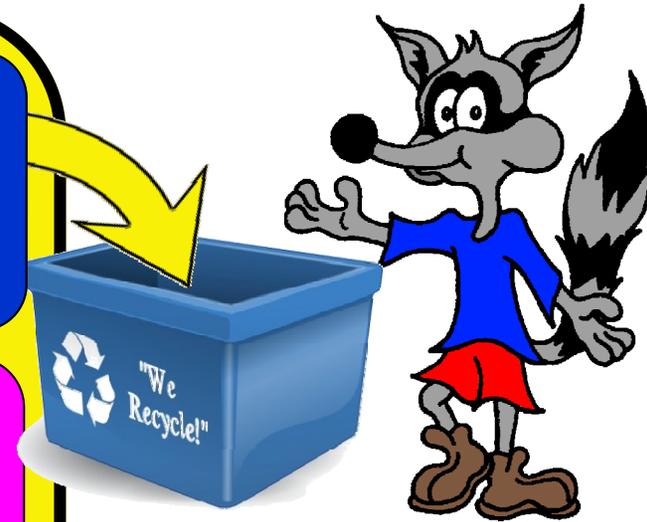
- All types & inserts
- Must be separated from office paper

### CARDBOARD

- Corrugated cardboard
  - Cereal-type boxes
  - Brown paper bags
- Boxes must be free of all packaging & flattened

### METALS

- Aluminum Cans (such as soda cans)
  - Steel Cans (such as "tin" food cans)
- Must be clean



## The 3 R's

Recycling isn't the only step...

#### REDUCE Waste

Avoid purchasing products designed to be used one time (non-rechargeable batteries, disposable cups, etc.)

#### REUSE Items

Write on both sides of paper. Use plastic grocery bags again at home. They make great liners in small trash cans.

#### RECYCLE Daily

Use this guide and recycle the right way in Tuscaloosa. **Recycle MORE = Waste LESS**

## Items NOT accepted in curbside recycling bin

### **GLASS**

- Wax-lined containers
- Styrofoam
- Household garbage

### **Aluminum foil items**

- Batteries
- Construction materials
- Electronics

### **Metallic-lined bags**

- Clothes hangers
- Diapers
- Hard plastics #3-#7

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