



Holiday Recycling Reminders and Tips

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FRESNO, Texas (Dec. 21, 2018) – With the holidays in full swing, the season of giving often means families discard material that could be recycled, including excess packaging, wrapping paper, and boxes. Below are a few tips to help you reuse and recycle more effectively this season.

Metal Cans – Remember to remove paper or plastic labels and clean out any residue before recycling. Keep in mind that if the cans have an insulated coating, they cannot be recycled.

Paper and Cardboard – Flattened cardboard, newspaper, magazines, office paper and common mail can be recycled as long as they aren't contaminated by food, liquid or waste.

No Connected or Mixed Materials – It's important to remember that when two or more materials are connected, they cannot be recycled as-is, even if they're all recyclable. Please separate the materials and place the parts that are recyclable into the bin.

Plastic – Remember that flexible plastics like grocery bags, bubble wrap and Styrofoam require special handling and can't be recycled. Make sure you recycle only hard plastic containers like water bottles, milk jugs and detergent containers.

Reduce, reuse and recycle – Save your gift bags and used wrapping paper for next year's holidays. You'll save money and help to bring down the excess paper entering landfills.

Recycle your tree – Many communities offer tree recycling, where the used trees are chopped and turned into mulch. Check with your local municipality to see what options are available.

We wish you and yours a happy, healthy, safe, and sustainable holiday season!

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