

# Holiday Reuse & Recycling Tips in Richland

This holiday season, **REDUCE** waste when shopping, **REUSE** when possible and **RECYCLE** all you can!



**Bows, tissue, gift boxes and bags** are reusable and store easily. Those made from paper are recyclable but those made with foil or plastic are not.

**Cardboard** boxes can be reused to store items, organize a closet, attic or garage. They also make great recycling bins for the home or office. Please flatten when recycling.



**Cut Christmas trees** are collected for recycling at the curb from January 2-15. Trees taller than 6' need to be cut in half. Trees can also be brought to the Horn Rapids Landfill, 3102 Twin Bridges Road, Monday through Saturday, from 8am to 4pm. **The landfill is closed on Sundays and on December 25, 26 and January 1.** All trees will be chipped and the mulch reused around the city or composted. For more information, call 942-7700.

**Foam packing peanuts** can be donated to local mailing services or to Tri-City based Surgical Implant Generation Network (SIGN) to pack orthopedic implants for shipment to developing countries. SIGN also accepts sturdy cardboard boxes. Call 371-1107 or visit [www.sign-post.org](http://www.sign-post.org) for more information. Mailing and shipping companies may also accept them.



**Greeting cards** are reused by the Richland Senior Association located in the community center, 500 Amon Park Drive. Cards and envelopes can also be recycled along with scrap paper.

**Holiday baking and seasonal products** are also recyclable. Empty flour and sugar bags, press board boxes like those that contain tea bags, stuffing mix, cream cheese, crackers, candy canes and empty juice and eggnog cartons can be recycled.



**String of lights:** The strings are melted down, the rubber insulation and copper wire separated, and reused or recycled. The insulation is turned into things like slipper soles. Please remove all bulbs before recycling and drop off at a local metal recycling business. (see next page) Not the Curbside or Drop Box.



## Three Ways to Recycle in Richland ([www.ci.richland.wa.us/recycle](http://www.ci.richland.wa.us/recycle))

-  **Curbside Recycling** is available for \$5.70 a month. All recyclables (except glass) are collected in a blue container and picked up every other week. Call 942-7700.
-  **Drop Boxes** are in place 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, in 8 locations. Go [online](http://www.ci.richland.wa.us/recycle) ([www.ci.richland.wa.us/recycle](http://www.ci.richland.wa.us/recycle)) or call 942-7730 for location information.
-  **Clayton Ward Recycling** is located at 1936 Saint Street in Richland, 375-4086.



*(See reverse side for more recycling options)*

## What to do with the used or unwanted items?



**Appliances:** If in good condition, sell or give away. Visit Habitat for Humanity's Restore, 942-1330 or visit <http://www.habitatbuilds.com/home/restore>. Non-working appliances can be dropped off, or picked up at the curb for free. Details and scheduling online, see [www.freeappliancecycling.com](http://www.freeappliancecycling.com).

**Antiques or Household items in good condition:** Check out consignment, second-hand and thrift stores on [www.gogreentricities.org](http://www.gogreentricities.org), Link to Green Pages Directory and then Second-Hand Stores.

**Batteries – Household:** Used AA, AAA, C, D and 9V should be disposed of with care. Place in disposable container with lid and add old coffee grounds or kitty litter, or drop in an old can of paint and allow to harden before placing in trash.



**Batteries - Rechargeable:** Used rechargeable batteries can be placed in containers at Home Depot, Office Depot, Lowes, and Batteries Plus Bulbs.

**Books, Games, Videos, etc.:** Newer versions can be sold at Adventures Underground, Sunken Treasures or Game Stop. You can also donate them to the local library for the bi-annual book sale. All proceeds are used for programs, purchase technology tools and to build new programs to meet the evolving needs of the community. More info at <https://www.richland.lib.wa.us>, link to About Us.

**Cell phones:** Contact Domestic Violence Services for drop off instructions, 582-9841; Drop off at Call2recycle locations, Tri-City Battery, Lowes, Home Depot or Office Depot. Donate to [www.cellphonesforsoldiers.com](http://www.cellphonesforsoldiers.com) or sell them at kiosks located inside a Walmart.

**Clothing, Shoes, etc.:** Check out consignment, second-hand and thrift stores on [www.gogreentricities.org](http://www.gogreentricities.org), Link to Green Pages Directory and then Second-Hand Stores. Woman and men's shelters and the Tri-City Gospel Mission are always in need of personal items, especially children's.



**Computers and TV's:** Donate, give away or sell items in good condition. Be sure to remove sensitive data, see [www.ecyclewashington.org](http://www.ecyclewashington.org). Recycle at any Mid-Columbia Goodwill Industries or Clayton Ward Recycling.

**Construction, Remodeling or other Household Goods:** Certain items like furniture, appliances, cabinets, and lighting in good condition are accepted at the Habitat for Humanity Store, 309 Wellsian Way. Call 942-1330 or visit <http://www.habitatbuilds.com/home/restore>

**Metal Items:** Take to a recycling business or visit [www.freeappliancecycling.com](http://www.freeappliancecycling.com) or [www.claytonwardrecycling.com](http://www.claytonwardrecycling.com). Twin City and Pacific Recycling in Kennewick also accept various metal items.

**Sell or Give-away with easy and free advertising:** There are a number of online giveaway or for sale sites. The most popular is Craigslist, <http://kpr.craigslist.org>. Other options include The Tri-City Herald at [www.tri-cityherald.com/classified-ads/Bargains/classification/Bargains/](http://www.tri-cityherald.com/classified-ads/Bargains/classification/Bargains/). Marketplace on Facebook, 509 Buy Sell Trade, Tri-Cities WA Deal or No Deal, etc.

For more information, including how to **reduce waste** and **recycle** all year, visit [www.ci.richland.wa.us/greenliving](http://www.ci.richland.wa.us/greenliving) or call 942-7730