

GREEN LIVING

MISCELLANEOUS RECYCLING OPPORTUNITIES

The **City of Richland** offers a number of ways to recycle, including a curbside program and area drop boxes. For more information, visit www.ci.richland.wa.us/recycle or call Richland's Solid Waste Office, 942-7700 or solidwaste@ci.richland.wa.us.

Below is a reference list of other items that can be recycled.

Appliances:

Refrigerated appliances, including air conditioners, are accepted for recycling at the Horn Rapids Landfill for a fee. The refrigerant and oil must be removed before recycling.

Non-refrigerated appliances, like dishwashers, washing machines and dryers, stoves and hot water tanks are accepted for recycling at the Horn Rapids Landfill for a small fee. Contact local metal recyclers in the area for additional choices.

Local Boys Metal Recycling LLC offers free pickup for all metal based items including appliances. Call 509-308-8251 or visit www.freeappliance recycling.com.

Batteries

Household Type: Used C, D, AA, AAA can be solidified along with **unwanted latex paint. Mix with paint using sawdust, shredded paper or off-the-shelf paint hardener.** When dried, place can in the trash.

Household batteries are a non-regulated waste and although discouraged, can be placed directly in the trash.

Rechargeable: Used rechargeable batteries can be placed in containers at Radio Shack, Office Depot, Home Depot, Staples Office Supply Stores and Batteries Plus Stores.

Vehicle or Small Equipment: Recycle/trade-in when you purchase new or bring to the collection area at the Horn Rapids Landfill, 3120 Twin Bridges Road.

Books: Bring used or unwanted books, magazines, videos, DVDs, CDs, or games to the Richland Public Library and drop them off at the Friends Book Sale Room. You can also sell used books to various used book stores including the Bookworm, Hastings or Adventures Underground. Softbound books can also be recycled with paper.

Cell Phones: Unwanted cell phones can be dropped off in collection boxes in the Richland Public Library or City Hall. Phones are sent for refurbishing and proceeds are credited to our Helping Hands Account.

Computers: Donate, give away or sell items in good condition. Be sure to remove sensitive data using certified drive cleaning software. **Drop off computer monitors, drives, laptops (no accessories)** to Mid-Columbia Goodwill Industries locations, Clayton Ward Recycling, 1936 Saint St., Richland, 375-4086; Horn Rapids Landfill, 3120 Twin Bridges Rd. Richland, 942-7700; Stay Tan West, 3680 W. Van Giesen, West Richland, 967-8290. For up-to-date information, see www.ecyclewashington.org.

Recycling Center in Richland

Clayton Ward Recycling is located at 1936 Saint St., and can be reached at (509) 375-4086.

Clayton Ward accepts various types of paper, cardboard, plastic, glass and metal.

Visit

www.claytonwardrecycling.com/

or call 375-4086 for more information.



Foam Packing Peanuts: Save and reuse for mailing or take to local mailing services for reuse (call first). Most mailing centers accept them if they have space. A non-profit organization **Surgical Implant Generation Network** accepts packing peanuts to ship medical devices to undeveloped countries. Call 371-1107 for more information. Another idea for reuse is to place a layer of Styrofoam peanuts in the bottom of a pot before adding soil. It aids draining and makes the pot lighter.



Fluorescent, CFL and HID Light Bulbs: These types of lights bulbs contain a small amount of mercury making them more energy efficient. Because of this, they must be disposed of properly. Ace Hardware Stores will accept them for free. Look for signs or check with their customer service representatives. For more information, see www.lightrecyclewa.com.

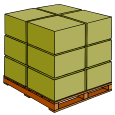
Greeting Cards: Unwanted greeting cards (any occasion) can be recycled in scrap paper recycling containers or given to the Richland Seniors Association who creatively refurbish and sells them for a fraction of the cost. Drop cards off and take a peek at their new selection, **Richland Community Center, 500 Amon Park Dr., 942-7529**.

Home (Construction, Maintenance and Repair): Certain items like furniture, appliances, cabinets, and lighting are accepted at the Habitat for Humanity Store, 309 Wellsian Way. Call 943-5555 for more information.

Laser Jet Cartridges: Empty printer cartridges are recycled by using the prepaid mailing label that accompanies new printer cartridges or by contacting your cartridge distributor or local office supply store.

Miscellaneous Metals: For updated information, contact the nearest metal recycler. **Local Boys Recycling will pick up at the curb for free, items that are at least 80% metal.** Call 308-8251 or visit www.freeappliancecycling.com.

Motor Oil: Call before dropping off (5 gallons or less): Schucks-O'Reilly Auto Supply, 1307 Jadwin Ave., 943-0207; AutoZone, 1701 George Washington Way, 946-6372; Horn Rapids Landfill, 3102 Twin Bridges Road and Walmart, 2801 Duportail St., 628-8420.



Pallets: Request the vendor pick them up during the next delivery or take to a local pallet business like Tri-City Pallets, 543-7500 or Pallet Services, 543-3584.

Plant Start Containers: The Kennewick Master Gardeners' Demonstration Garden and area garden clubs may accept your unwanted plant start containers. Rigid (hard) pots are usually accepted at local nurseries and at Clayton Ward Recycling.

Plastic Shopping Bags: Collection containers for grocery or produce bags, newspaper sleeves and dry cleaning bags are in place in the entrance of **major grocery stores** in Richland. Second-hand stores will also accept them.

Prescription Eye Glasses: Used prescription eyeglasses can be donated to non-profit organizations like the Lions Club or Kiwanis Club for humanitarian needs. Containers are placed at various optometrist offices and major optical centers.

Propane Tanks: Propane tanks and canisters can be dropped off at the collection site at the Horn Rapids Landfill, 3120 Twin Bridges Rd. Amerigas Propane located at 204 N. Fruitland St. in Kennewick, 582-8888 or Oxarc, 716 S. Oregon Ave. in Pasco, 547-2494 will accept them, but may charge if over 5 gallons.

Smoke Detectors: The average household smoke detector contains a small amount of radioactive substance (Americium-241) that should not go into landfills. Unfortunately, the only disposal method is to return it to the manufacturer for disposal. Check the manufacturer's name on your detector and contact them for proper disposal instructions. You should also check with your local post office about shipping restrictions and costs before packaging it up for mailing. For more information contact Benton County Solid Waste, 509-736-3084 x5682.

Tires: Exchange when purchasing new or bring to the Horn Rapids Landfill, 3120 Twin Bridges Rd., for a fee.



Wood: Wood waste, including tree branches and lumber can be taken to the Horn Rapids Landfill. There is a charge for disposing of building material and pallets, but yard waste is accepted free from Richland residents. Visit www.ci.richland.wa.us/solidwaste or call 942-7498 for details.

Advertise to get rid of stuff: There are a variety of ways to reuse, give away or sell unneeded items. **Craigslist** is a free advertising online site at <http://kpr.craigslist.org/>, and www.tri-cityherald.com has a free listing by linking to Place Ad, then Merchandise Ad, then link to the Bargain Ad. You can also call non-profit organizations, other classified advertisers, or Free Cycle Tri-Cities at <http://groups.freecycle.org/freecycletricity/>.

**For information on living greener in Richland, visit
www.ci.richland.wa.us/greenliving or call 942-7730**

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