

BUSINESS RECYCLING

Don't throw your profits out in the trash!

Recycling service is free with regular trash service in Davis. This means that you can save money on your garbage bill if you can increase recycling and decrease the amount of trash you produce. The City of Davis Public Works Recycling Program offers free recycling assessments for all Davis businesses. By looking at the type of waste you produce and your business set-up they can offer suggestions and advice about how to reduce your waste, increase your recycling and save you money. Call the City Recycling Program at 757-5686 to set up an appointment.

Setting up a recycling program

These easy and essential steps can help you set up and maintain a successful recycling program at your business. If you would like assistance setting up a recycling program, call the City Recycling Program (757-5686) for a free consultation.

- 1) **Designate a recycling coordinator.** Designate someone to be in charge of the recycling program. Have someone watching out for areas where more recycling containers are needed, etc.
- 2) **Inform employees of your recycling program.** Letting the staff know about the different recycling containers and encouraging them to place recyclables in the proper place is an essential part of the process. Integrate recycling information into your new employee training.

- 3) **Make recycling easy.** Recycling should be convenient and obvious. Easy-to-read labels are extremely important. You may want to consider purchasing clear containers that allow people to see what can be placed inside. Specialized lids that limit what can be placed inside can further reduce contamination of recyclables.

- 4) **Proper placement of recycling.**

Place a recycling container next to each garbage receptacle to prevent recyclables from ending up in the trash. Be sure the trash and recycling containers are clearly labeled.

Place paper recycling bins next to:

- desks
- copy machines
- printers
- fax machines
- mailboxes

Place bottles and cans recycling bins:

- in break rooms
- near vending machines
- near refrigerators

Free recycling containers are available from the California Department of Conservation for all California businesses. Fill out a simple online request form at www.bottlesandcans.com to get a free recycling kit with posters, recycling labels and a container.



Got Labels?

If you are in need of some recycling labels or posters, contact the Public Works Department (757-5686). Labels for "Plastic", "Glass", "Cans" and "Paper" are available for free, as well as a variety of posters that encourage recycling.