

Anderson University Recycling Materials

Aluminum

Aluminum cans may be recycled at any of the green colored Misc. Metal totes and bins on campus. Academic Buildings also have large Coke bottles into which you can place aluminum cans, plastic or glass bottles.

Batteries

Flashlight, camera, or computer batteries can be deposited in the marked bin in the bottom of Decker.

Car batteries – for options check on the East Central Indiana Solid Waste District web site www.eciswd.org.

Books

Email the recycling@anderson.edu web site to report large quantities and we will arrange pick-up. There is a student group on campus that will take these to the Pendleton Reformatory library.

Bubble Wrap

If you have extra bubble wrap, place it in the yellow toter in the bottom of Decker by the mailboxes. When you need packaging supplies you are welcome to use what you need from that toter.

Cardboard

Corrugated cardboard (two sheets of card stock with a wavy sheet between) should be flattened and taken to lobbies to be stored until pick-up. When a build-up has accumulated please email recycling@anderson.edu for pick-up. There is also a bin located on the loading docks outside Decker.

Non-corrugated cardboard, or paper board, such as cereal boxes, poster board, and toilet paper rolls should be deposited in the yellow colored Mixed Paper totes and bins.

Cereal Boxes

Cereal boxes, poster board, paper towel rolls, etc. are considered paperboard not cardboard. It can be recycled in any yellow colored Mixed Paper totes and bins. Please remove food scraps and flatten.

NOTE: Soiled pizza boxes cannot be recycled. If the top half is clean, it may be removed and recycled with corrugated cardboard or paper board, whichever is applicable. The soiled or greasy part must be placed in the trash.

Computers and Electronics

Please check out the East Central Indiana Solid Waste District at www.eciswd.org for information about computers, TV's and electronics.

Copy Machine Toner Cartridges

Used laser toner cartridges are collected by Printing Services and sent to a recycler. Please take your used laser toner cartridges to Printing Services. Printing Services is located on the 3rd floor of Decker Hall.

Fluorescent Lights and Tubes

On campus – contact the Anderson University Physical Plant.

Off Campus – contact the East Central Indiana Solid Waste District at www.eciswd.org

Food Waste

Tips

At the Cafeteria - take only what you'll eat and reduce waste.

At home - start a **compost pile** in your yard. For information about composting, check on the internet.

Furniture Surplus

Furniture that is still in decent condition but is unwanted can be donated to the Christian Rescue Center downtown Anderson. Please call 765-649-4264 x 222 between the hours of 8am - 5pm Monday thru Friday to schedule a pick-up. There is a \$10.00 pick-up fee, but if you are a student, the Christian Center has agreed to waive that fee. This waiver does not apply to faculty and staff.

Glass Beverage Containers

Dorms - glass beverage containers can be recycled in blue Plastic and Glass totes.

Academic Buildings – deposit glass beverage containers in large Coke bottles. Containers must be empty and rinsed out.

Note: at this time we cannot recycle mirrors or window glass. Check with East Central Indiana Solid Waste District at www.eciswd.org for these products.

Grocery Bags

The plastic bags can be recycled in marked containers specifically for this purpose located in dorm lobbies and in the bottom of Decker. Please do ***not*** put them in “Plastics & Glass” totes. Paper bags can be recycled with yellow Mixed Paper totes and bins.

Ink Cartridges

These can be taken to the AU Bookstore or to PetSmart. There may also be charitable organizations that you know about that will take them. Please do not throw them away.

Re-manufactured ink jet cartridges are available at many office supply stores. They cost less than half the price of a new cartridge. It will save money and resources.

Consider trying a re-manufactured ink jet cartridge for your next purchase.

Laser Cartridges

Used laser toner cartridges are collected by Printing Services and send to a recycler. Please take your used laser toner cartridges to Printing Services. Printing Services is located on the 3rd floor of Decker Hall.

Re-manufactured cartridges can be purchased at many office supply stores. Consider trying a re-manufactured laser cartridge for your next purchase.

Mail

Business mail including envelopes with plastic windows can be recycled in the red colored Office Paper totes and bins. Junk mail including colored flyers, manila folders, magazines, and catalogs can be recycled in yellow marked Mixed Paper totes and bins.

Metal

Clean metal including aluminum foil, steel cans, aluminum pie pans, etc. can be recycled in the green colored Misc. Metal recycling totes and bins.

Milk/Juice Cartons

Wax coated drink box containers cannot be recycled at this time.

Empty, rinsed milk bottles (glass or plastic) can be placed in the large coke bottles in the academic buildings or in the blue colored Clean Plastics and Glass totes and bins in the dorms.

Newspaper

Newspapers can be recycled in black and white colored Newspapers & Inserts totes. Newspaper totes are located at all buildings. All inserts (advertisements) can be included.

Other Materials

Other materials including: tires, scrap metal, motor oil, wood waste, yard waste, pallets, leaves, computer discs, Xmas trees and car batteries can be recycled at Madison County Recycling Center on Scatterfield and Mounds road. Please contact them at (765) 641-7978 or check on East Central Indiana Solid Waste District at www.eciswd.org.

Packing Peanuts

These are collected for reuse in the yellow marked bins near the Mail Center in the bottom of Decker.

NOTE: If you need packing peanuts for your own shipping please take what you need. This program is designed help people avoid throwing away a reusable item and forcing other people to purchase it somewhere else.

Padded Envelopes

Bubble or air padded envelopes cannot be recycled. If they are in good shape, please save for re-use. Otherwise, please throw in trash.

Padded envelopes that have shredded paper as padding may be recycled in the yellow colored Mixed Paper totes and bins.

Paper

Paper should be placed in appropriate recycling bins according to the PAPER GUIDELINES*. If you have an unusual sized load, or have questions concerning guidelines, contact the Recycling Coordinator at recycling@anderson.edu.

If you are cleaning out your office or dorm room and have an extra large amount of paper, please contact Recycling at recycling@anderson.edu . We'll give you separate bins for your clean-out. Please don't overload regular recycling sites, email us!

Phone Books

The University community receives phone books twice a year: one campus directory and one Yellow Pages phone book. Please recycle both in the yellow colored Mixed Paper totes and bins.

Pizza Boxes

Soiled pizza boxes cannot be recycled. If the top half is clean, it may be removed and recycled with corrugated cardboard or paper board, whichever is applicable. The soiled or greasy part must be placed in the trash.

Plastics

All plastic bottles, jars, cups, plates, etc. labeled #1-#7 can be recycled in blue colored Clean Plastic and Glass totes and bins. Please empty and rinse containers before recycling them. Food waste contaminates the entire process, causes odors, and can attract insects, rodents, and other animals.

Grocery bags cannot be recycled with other plastics. Please recycle those in the Hylex recycling stations in dorm lobbies or the bottom of Decker.

Plastic wrap, packaging materials, and Ziploc style bags cannot be recycled. Please rinse and reuse these items and consider purchasing items with less packaging to reduce this type of waste.

*****NOTE ON PLASTICS*****

Unfortunately, the entire plastics market is unstable. Less than 1% of all plastics get recycled. PET (polyethylene terephthalate) and HDPE (high density polyethylene which is the plastic used to make milk jugs), are the only plastics that have a market and account for most of the plastics that get recycled. There are over 1000 different resin types which cause an obstacle in identifying plastics for recycling. The Plastics Industry is doing little to establish and stabilize markets for viable plastics recycling. Unfortunately, even when there is a market for plastics, they are only able to recycle plastics into end use products that cannot be recycled again, AND plastics are not able to be recycled back into original form. This applies for ALL plastics recycling which includes block Styrofoam, meat trays and Styrofoam cups.

Please consider purchasing products that minimize plastic waste. Paper, metal, aluminum, cardboard, and glass are stable in terms of consistency in recyclability. We are being led to believe that plastics are indeed being recycled and therefore are a good environmental choice. An increasing amount of consumer goods are not only being packaged in plastic, but are being made from plastic. Unfortunately, the plastics markets have never been stable. Hopefully this turns around as our world increases its consumption of plastics.

Printer Cartridges

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Styrofoam

Styrofoam marked with a #6 can be recycled in any of the blue colored Clean Plastics and Glass totes and bins.

Styrofoam Peanuts

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