



RE-NEWS

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Recycling Program



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NEW AND IMPROVED!

Recycling Program Online Resources

The Recycling Program has recently expanded its website, <http://stlouis.missouri.org/citygov/recycle.htm>.

Our site now offers complete descriptions of the services and classes available to you at no cost.

Among the updates, you will find resources for our:

◆ EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

Our website now offers you the opportunity to browse a complete list of our visiting educational programs. Program descriptions include a summary of the discussion content as well as the associated hands-on activity.

◆ SHOW-ME STANDARD CORRELATIONS

Hooray! We have compared our programs against Missouri's Show-Me Standards, and worked to incorporate these standards into our lesson plans. Below each program description, you will also find a list of the performance standards and knowledge standards addressed in the program.

◆ LENDING LIBRARY

The updated website now includes a complete list of storybooks, craft and activity books, curriculum guides, and educational videos available for loan. We have made an effort to include, wherever possible, the targeted age group, duration, and other pertinent information.

We hope you will take a moment to visit us on the web, and to browse the new updates. Your comments and suggestions are always welcome. Is there a way we can better meet your needs? E-mail us at recycle@stlouis.missouri.org!

Reader Submissions Welcome

The Recycling Program invites you to submit material for this monthly newsletter. Would you like to share your activities, lesson plans, "how to" tips, or something else related to waste management education? Please, e-mail us at recycle@stlouis.missouri.org. We look forward to hearing from you.

Program Feature: AWESOME ALUMINUM

The City of St. Louis Refuse Division offers visiting environmental education programs at no charge to all City public and private schools and youth groups.

This month's feature is a recently added program, "Awesome Aluminum." Refuse staff will help to answer often unasked questions, such as "Where does my soda can come from?" And "What happens to it when I am done?" Throughout the presentation, students delve deep into the life of the most efficient metal in the recycling process.

After a presentation and brief class discussion, students are given the opportunity to simulate aluminum miners. They dig into a simulated section of earth, removing the trees, topsoil, and crust materials to reach their "aluminum ore" (play-doh). While students are still working to remove contaminants from their ore, another group crushes and re-forms a play-doh "can," to demonstrate the resources saved in the aluminum recycling process.

As with all our educational programs, we supply you, the educator, with a list of suggested post-program activities. These activities are specially aimed to relate this lesson across your students' various disciplines.

To learn more about our educational programs, or to schedule a visit to your classroom, please email us at recycle@stlouis.missouri.org, or call us at 353-7176.

School Reminder

The City of St. Louis Recycling Program can assist you in implementing and institutionalizing recycling practices in your school.

Our goal is to have all schools recycling. About 70% of a school's waste is in the form of recyclable paper.

For every ton of paper your school recycles, your students will be saving 17 trees from destruction!

NEW RESOURCES! Books for loan

The Recycling Program has recently expanded its library! Here are some of the new resources we have available for educational use:

■ **WHERE THE SIDEWALK ENDS** (ages 6+)
183 pages, poetry
“Shel Silverstein’s masterful collection of poems and drawings is at once outrageously funny and profound.” (Includes such poems as “Sarah Cynthia Sylvia Stout Would not Take the Garbage Out”).

■ **THE GIFT** (ages 4-8)
28 pages, storybook
“What would you do with a bag of gold? Would you share it? Long ago in a kingdom far away, Ananda, the Buddha’s principle disciple, taught a small-minded king the importance of sharing—not only one’s personal wealth, but also the wealth of the earth’s resources. Thirty vibrant watercolors illustrate this delightful children’s tale about the importance of using nature’s gifts wisely and altruistically, so that these precious resources will be available to share in the future.”

All of the educational books and videos in our library are available for loan for up to 4 weeks. To learn more about a specific item, please contact the Recycling Program at recycle@stlouis.missouri.org, or 353-7176.

Contact the City of St. Louis Refuse Division Recycling Program:

website: <http://stlouis.missouri.org/citygov/refuse>
email: recycle@stlouis.missouri.org
phone: 353-7176 (direct dial)
or 353-8877 (switchboard)



Curby's Word Fun

Can You find 20 or more new words from this sentence? Ex. Recall

"I Always Recycle"

1 _____	6 _____	11 _____	16 _____
2 _____	7 _____	12 _____	17 _____
3 _____	8 _____	13 _____	18 _____
4 _____	9 _____	14 _____	19 _____
5 _____	10 _____	15 _____	20 _____

from: <http://www.phila.gov/streets/RecWordFun.GIF>

Support Your School by Recycling Used Ink Cartridges!

Instead of throwing away used ink cartridges, how about recycling them AND making money for your school?

Schools have the potential to generate significant quantities of inkjet and laser printer cartridges. The companies listed below will recycle your used cartridges, and pay you for those that you send in!

1) Champion For Children

E-Mail C4C@toncha.com

Phone 314.739.4346

- Copier, fax, inkjet, laser, and toner cartridges are accepted. Raise funds for your business, a local school, or a local charity of your choice. They will provide collection containers.

2) National Laser & Ink Jet Cartridge Service/

AtLasta Specialty Ink Co., Inc.

<http://www.inkmkr.com/BuyBackCart.html>

E-Mail Suellen@inkmkr.com

Phone 866.677.1900 or 636.677.1900

Fax 636.677.3813

- They accept inkjet and toner cartridges, for which they pay cash. They will supply you with free UPS Authorized Return Labels or 4th Class USPS Mailing Labels.

For a complete list of companies who provide this service, contact the Recycling Program at recycle@stlouis.missouri.org, or 314-353-7176.

Please remember: Recycling isn't the only step towards a greener earth... "Close the Loop," and buy reused ink cartridges!

Do you know any educators, parents, or youth group leaders who would like to receive RE-NEWS from the City of St. Louis Recycling Program? Tell them to contact us at recycle@stlouis.missouri.org, or 353-7176, and we will add them to the e-mail list for this free publication.

A note: We currently distribute RE-NEWS in electronic format, to conserve our natural resources and our budget.

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