

A Quick Guide to Recycling in Hudson County

Recycle IT'S THE LAW!



In order to solve the solid waste crisis we all need to make the terms **Reduce, Reuse and Recycle** part of our everyday vocabulary.

Reduce... Each American disposes of about 5 pounds of garbage everyday. Reducing the amount we throw away is the first step toward reducing the amount of garbage that is landfilled.

Reuse... One of the keys to controlling the amount of material we throw away is to reuse products as many times as possible. Reuse also conserves natural resources because fewer products have to be manufactured.

Recycle... By separating your recyclable materials from your garbage, you can conserve natural resources, save energy, save money and reduce the amount of garbage that is landfilled.

Why Recycle?

RECYCLING IS THE LAW.

The New Jersey Statewide Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act became law in April, 1987.

RECYCLING SAVES ENERGY.

Making products from recycled materials uses less energy and makes us less dependent on foreign oil.

RECYCLING REDUCES GARBAGE

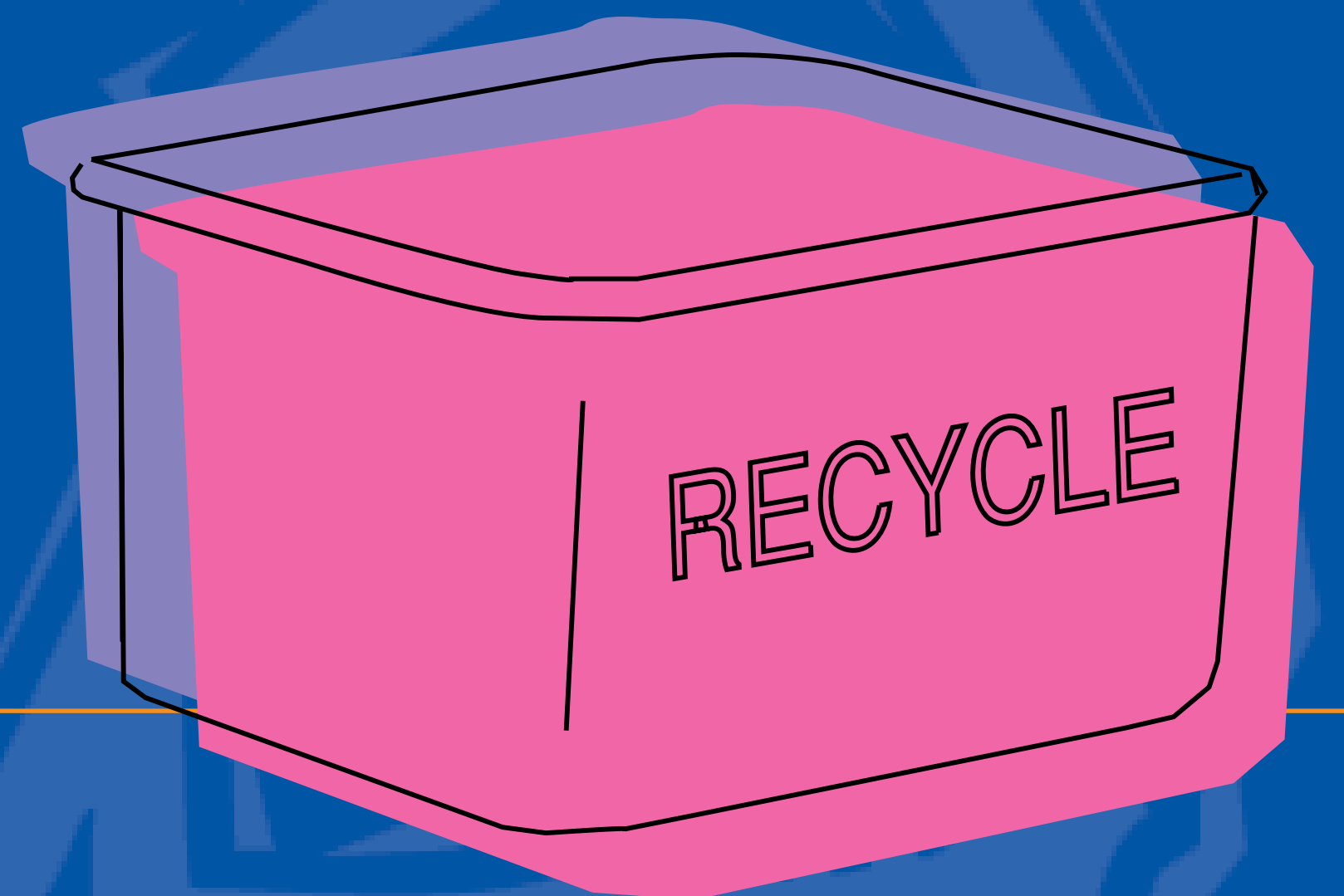
dumped into diminishing landfills, burned in incinerators or shipped out-of-state.

RECYCLING CONSERVES NATURAL RESOURCES.

For example, recycling one ton of paper saves 17 trees.

RECYCLING SAVES MONEY.

Taxpayers save money on disposal costs that continue to rise.



Who Must Recycle?

Residents — All homeowners and tenants, including occupants of multi-family housing units.

Landlords — All owners of multi-family units.

Businesses — All owners, lessees or occupants of all public and private business, commercial and/or industrial establishments. This includes, but is not limited to, manufacturing, retailing and/or service, food and professional establishments, and/or non-profit or for profit corporate entities.

Institutions — All owners, lessees and occupants of any municipal and state government facilities, all religious, educational and healthcare facilities, and all public and/or private civic organizations.

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