

Is It Sustainable?

Sustainability means achieving the triple bottom line: healthy environment, healthy community and healthy economy. Right in our area, organizations making the extra effort to follow sustainable practices include Golden Temple, BRING Recycling, Royal Caribbean and St. Vincent DePaul. Slocum Center for Orthopedics and Sports Medicine, EWEB, Euro-Asian/ autohaus and Isler CPA, among others, have been honored with Eugene's "Mayor's Bold Steps Award" for their efforts. In the last issue, we featured Rosen Aviation's work to calculate its needed material more precisely and to increase its recycling.

We're doubly proud of all of these companies because, in addition to their focus on doing the right thing, they are Sanipac customers.

Golden Temple, for example, uses organic ingredients in its products, pays employees living wages and donates part of the company's profits to selected causes. Since 1995, the company has sponsored its own sustainability awards, honoring national companies for their own commitment to the triple bottom line.

Slocum Center built its new facility to silver LEED construction standards and used certified wood and recycled building products. Employees who bike to work use Slocum's bike storage and on-site showers and lockers. Employees enjoy flexible work schedules and full benefits, and they are encouraged to volunteer in the community.

As a company striving to be more sustainable ourselves,

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Commercial Edition



Sanipac's garbage and recycling trucks run on biodiesel.

Commercial Recycling Basics

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It's easier than ever!

Please review the tips in our "Recycling Matters" column on the back of this newsletter. Please remember:

- We cannot accept Styrofoam™-like material, clothing or biomedical waste. For ways to recycle these items, visit our website or call us.
- Your recycling may be picked up on a different day and at a different time than when your garbage is collected. If possible, your recycling containers should be located less than 25 feet from the street or parking lot. If you have surplus containers, please call us to remove them.



Recycling Matters

By Diane Warnock, Recycling Coordinator

Recycling Rules at a Glance

- 1 Recycle only clean (or cleaned) material
- 2 Keep glass separate
- 3 Flatten cardboard
- 4 Throw away lids & caps of plastic & metal containers

Recycling Review

Rule #1 All items must be clean!

Rule #2 Glass belongs in its own cart. Only bottles and jars allowed. No other types of glass, including light bulbs, ceramics, mirrors, window glass, Pyrex®, bakeware, etc. You may mix all colors together.

Rule #3 Cardboard – Unwaxed, flattened cardboard only. Flattening cardboard will prevent cart overflow and unnecessary pick ups. Calling for pick ups when the cart is full of boxes that are not broken down works against the golden rule of recycling, which is to save natural resources and lessen pollution.

Paper – Most types of paper are accepted. The exceptions include paper towels, cups, plates, tissues and napkins.

Remember, you can use your cardboard container for all commingle, even if the label says otherwise.

Rule #4 Plastics – ONLY clean containers in the shape of a jug, tub or bottle. Sorry, we do not accept any other plastics in our recycling! No caps or lids.

Metals – ONLY food and beverage cans, clean aluminum foil. (No unattached lids). Do not flatten.

Call 736-3617 or email recycle@sanipac.com if you have questions about what we accept, how to prepare your recycling or to learn about alternative waste disposal methods.

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we are taking steps like using biodiesel in our garbage and recycling trucks. Sanipac pays living wages and provides excellent benefits for our employees. We use recycled paper in the office. And for years, this newsletter and other customer material have been printed on paper made with the highest percentage of post-consumer material available.

We'd like to know what your company is doing to be more sustainable. From small steps to wholesale changes, you might be an example for our other commercial customers of what can be done to help the triple bottom line. Please e-mail your examples to our recycling coordinator, Diane Warnock, at recycling@sanipac.com.



Cardboard recycling is currently a FREE service from Sanipac. Help us keep it that way! These stickers are available for you to post, reminding everyone to break down boxes before placing them in the cart.

Order your signs by calling 736-3618.

Pass It On . . .

Help us get the recycling word out to everyone in your organization! When you've read this newsletter, please pass it on to a colleague or the person in charge of recycling.

