



**Recycle, Michigan** is a marketing campaign developed to raise awareness and participation in recycling programs across the state. It's located in your home, down the road, and in your very own community. Discover how your hometown can be Recycle, MI. By recycling, your community can help protect the things we love most about our state. Recycling junk mail, water bottles, and other containers will make a positive impact for our shorelines but also promote job growth in Michigan. Explore more ways to recycle and learn how you can be a responsible Michigander.

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## TIPS TO BE A BETTER RECYCLER:

**Get Educated:** Every recycling program is different, find out what your local program accepts. When in doubt, throw it out. Items that can't be recycled cause contamination and cost recycling programs money.

**Rinse and Repeat:** Make sure there is no food residue left on your recyclables. Food waste contaminates the recycling process.

**What Else?** Electronics and clothing can often be recycled through special events or retail locations. Ask your local resale shops what they accept!

**Safe Disposal:** Avoid flushing old medication! Wastewater systems aren't equipped to filter out these toxins. Check a local pharmacy or police station to safely recycle old medication.

**Smart Shopping:** Purchase goods that are made from or packaged in recycled materials.

**Compost:** Instead of throwing out food and garden waste, compost it back into soil!

**Numbers Matter:** Look for a printed recycling number on your plastics. If a container isn't labeled, or is a number your program doesn't accept, don't put it in with the recycling!

**Only You:** Recycling starts with you. Find programs where you live, work, and play!