# **RECYCLING TOOLKIT**

## FOR SUMMIT COUNTY BUSINESSES

## THIS TOOLKIT OFFERS GUIDANCE TO MAKE IT EASY FOR YOUR BUSINESS TO RECYCLE IN SUMMIT COUNTY.

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"Hi, my name is Rocky the Recycling Robot. I am here to help you recycle right."

I am HC3's new online app that helps you figure out what's recyclable in Summit County.



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## **BUSINESS RECYCLING**

## GUIDELINES

#### SINGLE-STREAM RECYCLING (excluding glass)

- » Single-stream recycling allows customers to put most of their recyclables into one bin for collection.
- » In Summit County, glass must be separated out.
- » Single-stream recyclables are picked up by your Summit County waste collection provider.

#### TAKE ACTION

- » See page 7 for single-stream flyer of accepted materials.
- » Order labels for your business. See page 6.

#### **GLASS RECYCLING**

- » Separating glass from single-stream recycling is mandatory.
- » Keeping glass out increases diversion rates, keeps single-stream bales clean, and prevents injury of recycling workers.
- » Glass is 100% recyclable bottle to bottle.



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- » Glass collection is available from Clear Intentions. Call Barb Cousins, Account Manager, at 303-993-8221 to learn more.
- » Ask your waste service provider if they offer glass collection service. For contact info see page 4.
- » Some small businesses take their glass directly to local drop-off recycling centers. See **page 3** for info.
- » Order labels for your business. See page 6.

#### ELECTRONICS & HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE (HHW)

It is against Colorado state law to place electronic and hazardous waste in the landfill.

#### TAKE ACTION

- » View or download chart for common HHW items. See page 6.
- » Drop off at the Summit Country Resource Allocation Park (SCRAP) for no fee at 639 Landifll Rd., Dillon, CO 80435 (7am - 4pm)
- » Businesses with large commerical loads must call SCRAP in advance at 970-468-9263.



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## BUSINESS COMPOSTING & DROP-OFF CENTERS

## GUIDELINES

### FOOD SCRAP & COMPOST PROGRAMS

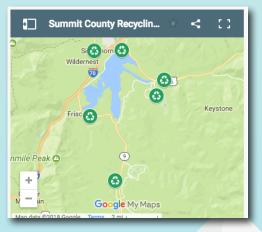
43% of the food America produces ends up in a landfill. Help us reduce food waste!

- » Composting (recycling your food scraps) curbs methane emissions, a greenhouse gas produced by food decomposing in landfills.
- » Food scrap recycling creates a close-looped system where uneaten food is transformed into a valuable soil amendment - High Country Compost - at the SCRAP commercial composting operation.



#### TAKE ACTION

- » Call your waste provider to see if they offer food scraps services.
- » Call HC3 at 970-668-5703 to see if you qualify for our Small Business Food Scrap program. For a small fee, this program offers access to the food scrap bins at the Breckenridge & Frisco Recycling Centers.



### **RECYCLING DROP-OFF CENTERS**

Breckenridge Recycling Center | Open 24 hours a day 284 Coyne Valley Rd, Breckenridge, CO 80424

Frisco Recycling Center I Open 24 hours a day 221 Peak One Blvd., Frisco, CO 80443

Dillon Recycling Center | Open 24 hours a day 275 Lake Dillon Dr., Dillon, CO 80435

Waste Management Silverthorne | 8am- 5pm Mon - Fri; 7am - Noon Saturday | 970-468-2475 (GLASS ONLY) 314 3rd St., Silverthorne, CO 80498

\*These local centers require sorting materials into different bins. Visit the High County Conservation Center's website for a list of accepted materials.

## SUMMIT COUNTY RESOURCE ALLOCATION PARK (SCRAP)

Recycling Facility | Open Mon - Sat, 7am - 4pm Landfill I Open Mon - Sat, 6am - 6pm 639 Landfill Rd., Dillon, CO 80435 "When in doubt, give HC3 a shout! Call 970–668– 5703″





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HIGHCOUNTRYCONSERVATION.ORG (970) 668-5703

## STARTING A RECYCLING PROGRAM

## LOCAL RESOURCES



## **RECYCLING BEST PRACTICES**

## EDUCATE & BE CONSISTENT

### Colors, Bins, & Placement Matter

- Bag, Lid & Bin Color: Blue = Recycling, Green = Food Scraps, Black = Landfill, Orange = Glass only.
- Bin Placement: For every trash can, you should have an equal or larger size recycling bin.
- · Consistent Labels: Label every trash & recycling bin with same messaging throughout your business.

#### EDUCATION FOR YOUR BUSINESS: MAKE RECYCLING EASY

- Keep signage and messaging consistent.
- Align messaging with county-wide labels quick and easy ordering on HC3's website.
- Include recycling and composting guidelines and best practices in employee training.

### TRAINING CUSTODIAL STAFF & CLEANING CREW: EMPOWER THE RECYCLERS

- Provide this toolkit with custodial staff and cleaning crew in all trainings and repeat often.
- Make sure resources are in a language staff understands (English & Spanish labels available).
- Organize incentive programs to promote increased diversion.

\*Please note, any bins or outdoor community enclosure areas where trash is stored is managed by your waste service provider. Work with your provider first on labeling those areas. All guidelines in this toolkit - including your own branded labels - should be placed internally on your property and not on waste providers' property.

## STANDARDIZED LABELS ON RECYCLING BINS ARE THE # I WAY TO MAKE RECYCLING PROGRAMS THRIVE.

#### **RECYCLE ACROSS AMERICA**

HC3 supports cohesive national recycling and composting messaging. We encourage all businesses to adopt these specific **Recycle Across America**'s standardized labels. Order HC3 branded labels or customize with your own brand. (**HighCountryConservation.org**/ recycle)







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## MARKETING MATERIALS

## TO SUPPORT YOUR RECYCLING PROGRAMS

#### PRINT-READY FILES TO DOWNLOAD

#### Flyers/Signage

- Single-stream flyer
- · Food scrap flyer
- · Glass flyer
- HHW flyer

#### **Bin Stickers**

- Glass
- Single-stream
- Food scrap
- Landfill



## JOIN THE RESOURCE 🔷 WISE PROGRAM

- Protect our mountain environment while bolstering your businesses' bottom line.
- This free program offers financial incentives and coaching on recycling, energy efficiency and much more.
- Businesses work directly with HC3 to gain certification and local recognition.
- Call HC3 at 970-668-5703 to learn more.

### UTILIZE ROCKY THE RECYCLING ROBOT

- Visit HC3's Recycling Robot online at highcountryconservation.org/ recycle
- Rocky the Recycling Robot
  allows you to search any item and
  find out how to recycle or dispose
  of it locally.

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# SINGLE STREAM RECYCLING

ALL OF THESE RECYCLABLES CAN GO INTO ONE BIN



#1-#7 PLASTIC BOTTLES & TUBS



ALUMINUM & TIN CANS (PLEASE RINSE)



NEWSPAPER, PAPER, CARDBOARD & PAPERBOARD



**MILK & JUICE CARTONS** 

## THESE ITEMS <u>CANNOT BE RECYCLED</u> IN SINGLE STREAM RECYCLING BIN:



NO PLASTIC BAGS OR TRASH Do not put recyclables in plastic bags.



NO GLASS



NO PLASTIC PACKAGING, WRAP OR FILM



SEPARATE AND TAKE GLASS TO RECYCLING CENTER. NO GLASS IN SINGLE STREAM RECYCLING.





NO STYROFOAM

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QUESTIONS? CALL 970.668.5703 HIGHCOUNTRYCONSERVATION.ORG