Help Shape Washington's Recycling Refunds Study



The Washington State Department of Ecology is studying whether a recycling refunds program (sometimes called a "bottle bill") could work in Washington and how the program could be designed to be most equitable and convenient for residents across the state. No decisions have been made about whether a recycling refunds program will be implemented.

Earlier this year, we heard from community members, community-based organizations, local governments, retailers, beverage producers, recycling operators, and others across the state. Now we're sharing what we've learned and inviting public comment. If you live in Washington we'd love to hear from you! Your feedback will help shape our report and recommendations to the state legislature later this year.

How to Get Involved

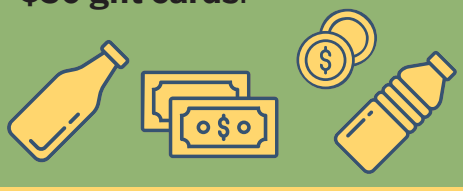
Read the Draft Report and Submit a Public Comment:

bit.ly/Ecology-Public-Comment

The public comment period is open **July 15 through August 10**.

Attend a Virtual or In-Person Info Session:

Join us to learn what we've heard so far and how to participate in the public comment period. Eligible community attendees can enter a raffle to win one of three **$50 gift cards**.



Virtual Info Sessions

Tues, July 28 12-2pm

bit.ly/RecyclingRefundSession1

Weds, July 29 6-8pm

bit.ly/RecyclingRefundSession2

In-Person Info Sessions for WA Community Members

Refreshments will be provided at in-person sessions, and Spanish interpretation will be available.

Yakima County

Tues, July 21 6-8pm

Washington Fruit Community Center
602 N 4th St, Yakima, WA 98901

Spokane County

Thurs, July 23 6-8pm

Nuestras Raíces Centro Comunitario
1214 E Sprague Ave, Spokane, WA 99202

King County

Thurs, July 30 6-8pm

Duwamish River Community Hub
8600 14th Ave S, Seattle, WA 98108

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