

DID YOU KNOW? RECYCLING 101

- T/E has single-stream recycling which means that you can recycle cardboard, paper, cans, plastic and bottles all together, making it very easy to recycle. But please make sure no liquids are left in your recyclables – empty them out before recycling!
- **IMPORTANT: DO NOT PUT YOUR RECYCLING IN TRASH BAGS.** The recycling truck will not pick it up! This means your recyclables will be taken with the regular trash. The plastic trash bags clog up the recycling machines, so please just put your recyclables directly into the bins.
- DES will take your unwanted small toys for the Fall and Spring Fairs. This includes the little toys that your kids play for 30 seconds and get stored away in a drawer. DES will have a toy drive starting soon so start your spring cleaning!
- Plastic bags should NEVER be put into the recycling bin. Bags can be recycled at any local grocery store (they all have bins located near the entrance). You can majorly cut down on this trash by putting your groceries in re-usable shopping bags!
- Tredyffrin Township recycles used cell phones, inkjet or toner cartridges and medications at the township building. They must be sealed in plastic to prevent spillage. They also have hazardous waste collections periodically. For more information visit:
<http://www.tredyffrin.org/services/trash-recycling/hhw>
- Batteries can be recycled at MOMs Market in Bryn Mawr or at DES Drives? A Battery Tester, which costs less than \$10 on Amazon or at Home Depot will save you tons of \$\$ and help the earth because you will know which batteries still have juice left in them!
- T/E also has periodic ANYTHING WITH A PLUG recycling days so keep your electronics and eye out for those.
- Non-recyclable items include: Wax coated paper or cardboard, any material with food debris, batteries of any kind, styrofoam of any kind, bubble paper and packaging materials, mirrors, window or auto glass, porcelain, ceramics, glass cookware & bakeware, microwave oven trays, drinking glasses, perfume or cologne bottles blue glass, plate glass, light bulbs (NOT CFL's - see Household Hazardous Waste Collection), six-pack rings, motor oil bottles, plastic plates, cups and cutlery, and plastic shipping peanuts. Aluminum foil, plates, tubing, tools, machine parts, metal folding chairs and shelving can also be thrown in the trash. Also throw away paper plates, towels and napkins, food or grease-stained pizza boxes, colored-in coloring books, thermal fax paper, non-tearable envelopes and hardbound books. No coat hangers or wire (though the thin metal hangers can be recycled / reused at most dry cleaners).

Little things make a DIFFERENCE to help your kids' future!

