

TRASH TO CASH



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Foreword

The world today has many challenges and struggles, in providing and sustaining human life adequately. Therefore, there is a sense of urgency to understand and practice better and more conscious efforts to recycle anything and everything. Simply put, recycling is the process of collecting, separating and reusing as much as possible of the originally manufactured product whenever possible. It can also constitute the evolution of products that can come from the reuse or recycled material.

Recycling is one of the hottest topics explored today. Almost everyone is into this new “fad” and this is of course a very positive behavioral pattern if correctly nurtured. And besides it can make you money. Learn how here.

Trash to Cash

Chapter 1:

Why Recycle

Synopsis

Although there are several cycles sometimes necessary before a final usable product is produced, the use of recycled material is more often than not more cost effective than to produce the said product from raw or new material. There is also the opportunity to earn good revenue from the setting up of recycle collection centers. This revenue earning point is always an encouraging avenue to pursue but unfortunately it is still a relatively lowly tapped venture.

The Basics

Trash has become a very hot topic for most eco friendly consumers today. A lot of large companies are taking the time and effort to venture into the trash business. The revenue enjoyed and the satisfaction of contributing positively to society is probably some of the reasons for the success of these ventures. There are a lot of websites on the internet that teach the various methods available for recycling and its benefits and uses.

Some of these websites focus mainly on encouraging as many people as possible to adopt an eco friendly lifestyle while other websites are dedicated to research being conducted for newer and more innovative ways of recycling.

There are also websites that show those interested in the many varied uses of recycle material and how to go about either making these things out of the used material or how to use the finished product.

There are also websites that are dedicated to displaying the different creations made from recycled materials. Forums and groups advocating an eco friendly lifestyle can come together and exchange ideas and thoughts on the subject.

Other websites on treasures that can be derived from the recycled material may include platforms or exhibition centers that

periodically hold events for artists and creators to both display and sell their creations.

There are also websites that explain extensively and technically the dangers of not being eco friendly through the rampant disregard of not minimizing items that could be deemed poor recycling material.

The websites that teach how to spruce up old and dull looking items are also popularly visited sites. These sites usually encourage the transformations without having to spend big amounts of money. These websites usually provide the tips and ideas that can be very practical and usable by people of all ages.

Chapter 2:

How to make profits from recycling.

Synopsis

If you're seeking a way to make cash with recycling, then you may want to check here.

Where To Begin

Why not bring in cash with recycling by beginning your own recycling business?

Unless you've a lot of resources and experience in the field of recycling, you'll likely need to begin small.

There are recycling companies out there that help individuals with starting their own recycling business. Search the Net for those.

Past recycling, there are likewise a lot of opportunities and support out there to help green-goers begin green businesses, like green cleaning companies. Through such green companies, not only will you be able to earn your living, you are able to likewise play a part to make this world a cleaner and more healthy place to live.

If you already own a company, then you are able to learn how to get in that extra revenue for your company with recycling.

If you love getting your hands dirty and building things on your own, then changing the way you do things might be the way to go to bring in some money.

Try out planning a simple rain harvesting system, solar or a wind energy power source that may help reduce the use of electricity and save cash in the long run.

The easiest – Just recycling everything you can!

If you're not seeking a job or entertaining beginning your own business, then the easiest way you may make cash recycling is merely to collect and then sell your daily used household or office items to the recycling companies.

A lot of the products and items in our homes and offices can bring in good prices when sold to recycling companies.

If you make it a routine to sell your used household material and products, you are able to actually supplement your income.

And as you bring in money recycling, you as well play your part in protecting the earth from the buildup of waste in landfills, help cut back pollution and conserve the earth's resources. It's a win-win!

Begin with aluminum!

Among the most elementary and easy items to recycle is aluminum.

You are able to begin with collecting empty soda and beer cans at home and at the office. Particularly during large gatherings, and all you need to do is to empty them totally and put them in a big garbage bag.

Once you have several such bags full of aluminum cans, you are able to take them to an aluminum recycling company near you, weigh them and get paid accordingly.

Here's what to recycle for aluminum:

- Beverage cans
- Aluminum caps and lids
- Foil
- Scrap aluminum like spare parts of cars like cars and bikes, garden chairs, window frames and pots
- You simply need to clean enough to prevent odors. The high temperature of metal processing deals well with the rest.
- Metal coated plastic film, frequently used for snack packets or sweet wrappers, might look like aluminum but they're not recyclable. Utilize the scrunch test to check whether these wrappers are made of aluminum. If the wrapper bounces back when scrunched in the hand it isn't aluminum, and so not recyclable!

Chapter 3:

Recycling glass and plastic

Synopsis

Just like aluminum, glass and plastic may be recycled for cash.

Have A Look

Putting together glass bottles at home and selling them at the recycling center may be a great source of income as manufacturing glass is among the most expensive businesses.

Reusing glass is much simpler and cost-efficient. Consequently, it makes a lot of business sense to utilize recycled glass instead of glass from raw materials.

If you invest a bit of time and sweat to clean your used glass bottles, gather them without busting them, and sell them at a glass recycling company, you are able to bring in some money in return.

Here's the do's for glass:

- Beer or wine bottles
- Jars
- Glass from old photo frames
- Also notice that broken glass is difficult to sort, so it's apothecosis to keep the glass recyclables in one piece.
- Glass is commonly color separated for recycling. So you are able to help by sorting out your glass before taking them in. Clear glass is worth the most.

Just rinse enough to prevent odors.

Do not recycle:

- Electric-light bulb, Pyrex, ceramics and mirrors are commonly not accepted.
- Ceramics contaminate the glass and are difficult to separate from glass. So attempt to separate glass from ceramics before recycling.

Do your part; watch out for what to recycle at home and at work!

Recycling plastic is necessary instead of anything else.

The heavy amount of plastic the world makes and then dumps each minute is just too much, and before long, our planet will not have any landfill space.

Plastics are likewise not biodegradable and it's thousands for years before plastic disintegrates and decomposes.

Therefore, plastic consumption must be reduced considerably and when consumed only recyclable plastic must be used.

In a few areas, refunds may be received by returning used plastic bottles to retail merchants for recycling. So if you live in these areas, recycling your plastic bottles is a good way of saving cash. At the same time, you likewise contribute in a big way to the earth!

The do's for plastic:

- Drink bottles
- Shampoo or detergent bottles
- Vitamin bottles
- Plastics have to be sorted by their type prior to being recycled. So, you are able to help by separating your plastic recyclables prior to sending them for recycling. Look for the recycling codes that are commonly on the bottom of the containers.
- Bubble envelopes, get mixed with sawdust to make plastic wood.
- Bags that are made from type 2 or 4 plastic can be made into plastic lumber. However, collection isn't especially profitable, so it might be better to reduce their use first, and then recycle them if required.

Do not recycle:

A few recycling businesses are selective about the sort of plastics collected, for instance a few will only take those plastics labeled with the PETE 1 and HDPE 2 symbols. So you might need to check with your local plastic recycler. If you can't identify the sort of plastic, it might be safer not to include them.

Plastic caps are commonly made from a different sort of plastic from the bottle - throw away if not marked.

Chapter 4:

Cardboard, boxes and paper

Synopsis

A different really popular and simple product to reuse is paper products.

Paper products have been one of the first products to be successfully reused and the advantages of recycling paper products has been understood everywhere in the world and is now among the most successful revenue-generating businesses.

Paper Goods

Tons of paper products are consumed all over the Earth on a day-to-day basis and an equal amount is discarded or wasted on a day-to-day basis. What is most unfortunate is the fact that merely 30% of used paper products are recycled and the rest winds up as solid waste and fills acres of landfill space all over the Earth.

If you were to study these figures closely, you'd see that there's a lot of opportunity here for individuals to make this a successful lucrative venture.

Recycled paper products are popular and are utilized extensively for different things like making cardboard or packing material which is marketable everywhere on a day-to-day basis.

Even if you're not assembling a recycling business, you may still play an important part by recycling paper products.

The paper products that you collect may be sold at a recycling center. And you might even get paid for each pound or kilogram of paper products sold. And you'll help spare energy, water, and above all, the trees and the environment!

Do's for paper products:

- Newspapers

- Magazines
- Telephone books
- Junk mail
- Cardboard boxes
- Paper products packaging that isn't soiled
- Paper products envelopes with plastic windows
- Printed paper products at home or office that's unneeded
- Corrugated cardboard, or shipping and packaging boxes

Don't recycle:

- While nearly all paper products might be reprocessed today, a few types are harder to reuse than others are.
- Papers coated with plastic or aluminum and papers that are waxed, pasted, or gummed are typically expensive to reuse, and so typically not recycled.
- Illustrations include: stickers, carbon paper products, laminated paper products (for example. fast food wrappers, drink boxes, foil), neon paper products, thermal fax paper products. These are typically not taken.
- Napkins, tissues, or any wet or food stained paper products are as well not accepted.
- As well, some paper products mills can't take glossy inserts, because these inserts use clay.

Finding new and innovative ways of reusing paper or glass is not only help the environment but may also evolve into something that brings in money as stated before. Then there is also the statistics that show a large percentage of landfill consist of solid waste which is mainly paper and glass, and this can be decreased with the introduction and encouragement of recycling.

There are a lot of innovative ways to reuse paper and glass that can also be artistic or practical and here are just some recommendations that can be adopted with proven success.

The most obvious would be the revenue one can earn from selling the used paper or glass to recycle centers. These can be in its “raw” but clean form as this fetches a good price as compared to soiled materials which may not be saleable at all.

There is a very keen and growing interest in using used paper and glass to create artistic creations which are then displayed or sold for a very handsome price. Famous individual make a very good living through this use of recycled material.

During festive seasons, colorful magazine papers can be recycled and used to wrap gifts instead of spending money for newly manufactured wrapping papers.

For paper, one could reuse the other side of the printed sheet as a message pad as the blanks spaces on the reverse side makes an

ideal massage pad. For glass using it for vases or as decorative items is a wonderful way of displaying personal creativity as opposed to buying a new piece.

Using used paper to line pet litter boxes or containers is also another innovative way of recycling. They are absorbent and a clean and a cheap alternative to store bought brands which are sometimes essentially the same material.

Chapter 5:

Recycling computer equipment

Synopsis

With the holidays just past, you might have gotten that new laptop you've been needing. However what do you do with your old one?

While a lot of recyclers and contribution programs volunteer to wipe your hard drive for you, we advocate erasing all personal data yourself for safety reasons. Don't forget to back up everything you require first of all!

Technology

A few beginners fall under the trap of thinking that merely deleting personal files will work. This makes your information harder to find, however doesn't delete it totally. An experienced coder may still find it easily. Instead, we recommend completely overwriting your hard drive, preferably multiple times, then re-installing your operating system from scratch if you need to (for example, if you're donating the PC).

When it comes to drive-rewriting programs, the U.S. Defense Department guidelines serve as the industry standard. But, any of the following software ought to do the trick. Again, don't forget to back up your files and make a backup disk of your OS prior to starting!

WipeDrive is the power tool of disk overwrite utility program: not only does it fit DOD standards; however its customers really include the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, as well as the U.S. Army and Navy. However, this isn't free. The unpaid version merely wipes 25 percent of your data, making it worthless except for trials, while the complete version costs about \$19.95.

Darik's Boot and Nuke, an unsupported freeware platform, gets the job done. Download the .iso file, burn it to disk, and boot your PC using DBAN after entering the BIOS screen.

While Active@ Kill Disk comes free for common wipes, only the paid version fits DOD standards. Don't be duped by the average rating; most low-raters didn't realize that this platform would do what it says it does and were surprised to see their hard drive deleted.

What about donating... it's tax deductible. Well, there's a reason that "Reduce" and "Reuse" is good. It's really good for the environment to donate your old PC to a place that may still be able to utilize it - like a school or retirement center - than to recycle it part-by-part, which is both energy- and work. Put differently, unless you totally trashed your PC, think about this option.

Here are some starting places.

All e-Stewards certified recyclers are pre-vetted as environmentally responsible. Associated with the Basel Action Network, a major activist group battling e-waste, e-Stewards certification means no landfills, no incinerators, no prison house labor, and no export to 3rd world countries.

Best Buy's Recycling Program has dedicated to partnering entirely with recyclers certified to e-Stewards standards, making it among the best "big box" alternatives for recycling. The program will take any PC brand in any condition, regardless where you bought it, as well as TVs, cells, and most other electronics. Simply bring your played out devices to any Best Buy store.

Dell partners with FedEx to supply Dell Mail-Back Recycling. This might be a good option for rural PC users. Dell computers are always free to send in, and you are able to send in any other brand if you buy a new Dell product.

The Apple Recycling Program comes with an awesome incentive: if Apple's contractors determine that your device still has resale value, you'll receive an Apple Store gift card. Otherwise, your PC will be recycled free of charge, following standards that ban landfills, incinerators, prison house labor, and abroad shipping. As the program supplies a free shipping label, this choice also fits the needs of rural consumers. Simply begin by entering info on an accepted device - iPhone, iPad, Mac PC, or PC PC - to get a quote.

Chapter 6:

Learn the rules

Synopsis

Different areas have their own set of laws when it comes to the things that can be recycled. Make sure that you know the specific things that are recyclable in your area. In this chapter, you will get an overall idea of the materials which can be possibly recycled.

Most types of paper are recyclable. The prices of the virgin paper pulp are continuing to increase for the past few years and this is the reason why more and more plants are now being built in order to handle and reprocess waste paper.

What About Your Area

Here is a quick glimpse of the simplest rules that will ensure that you will go down the right path for becoming a champion in zero waste management and making some money.

Plastic Bags are Not Allowed

If you ask any recycling centers, they will surely tell you that plastic bags are what they struggle with most. Even though these bags are recyclable, they go through an entirely different process compared to the hard plastics, wreaking havoc on single-stream/zero-sort systems which are common in most communities. As much as possible, you should try to sort out these plastic bags from your recyclables in order to help in your recycling goals.

Knowing Before Throwing

Education is always be the best way for you to learn the things that can and cannot be recycled and composted, saving the centers from the hassle, cash and gas, not to mention that this will significantly help reduce environmental waste. It is important that you check with the center in your area to know the dos and don'ts when it comes to recycling.

No Throw When You Don't Know

This might seem a bit counterintuitive but the truth is, when you put items that cannot be recycled in the recycling bin, this will only lead to more harm to the environment than good. When in doubt, it is always a better idea that you avoid putting the material with the rest of the recyclables. As well, this could hinder your money making process as your whole load may be turned down.

Paper

When it comes to recycling paper, it is important to collect large quantities of clean, well sorted, dry and uncontaminated paper.

Glass, Steel, Foil and Aluminum Cans

You can easily recognize these recyclables and in fact, many people never have any trouble when it comes to sorting the said materials properly. Steel, copper, aluminum cans, glass as well as other metals can be recognized right away and easily recycled. But, you cannot mix glass bottles with other kinds of glass such as Pyrex plates, light bulbs, auto glass, glass tableware as well as window glass. As for aluminum cans, make sure that they are cleaned enough for preventing odors.

Plastic

There is a wide range of plastics that are recyclable and when the right dose of care is used, most of the plastic wastes will surely end up

recycled. The main issue when it comes to recycling plastics is that you cannot mix various kinds of plastics during the process although virtually, it is hard to identify one type from the rest by simply looking at them or touching them. Even the tiniest amount of the wrong kind of plastic will already ruin the entire batch that will be reprocessed.

These are only the most basic of the things that can be recycled. While different areas have different lists of recyclables, you can expect that these will always be included.

Wrapping Up

Recycling is definitely the most common symbol that you can see in trash cans, garbage bags as well as dump trucks. Children in various parts of the world are taught of the phrase “Reduce, Reuse, Recycle” hoping that a cleaner environment will be created in the near future.

Everyone knows that even in the simplest way, all people can actually help create a much better place to live in. However, there is no denying that there are plenty of benefits, such as cash, that you can get out of recycling aside from lessening the amount of trash that you need to get rid of off every day. After all, both effort and time are used up for the collection, separation as well as sending away of trash.

Old bottles, scrap cars, used rubber tires, and junk mail have now become common materials in landfills.

Through recycling, everyone gets the chance to help the junk items be used time and time again in order to avoid exploiting the new resources and at the same time make some money.

This will also help conserve the natural resources including water, coal, oil, gas, minerals and timber. One more benefit of recycling is that this will put more emphasis on the creation of technology. This is the reason why majority of industries are supporting the programs wherein they can gain large amounts of recyclable materials that can be converted to new items.

When recycling aluminum cans, manufacturers be able to save as much as 95% of the entire energy needed for producing the cans from the raw materials. This is why you can get paid for the items.

As well, it has been clearly shown that there is a high amount of energy that you can save and use in the future, thus reducing the reliance on foreign land that can further help in saving money along the way.

Among the primary reasons why recycling is being promoted is the fact that this can reduce the environment's strain. Through the constructive use of waste products, you can little by little lessen the size of landfills.

If you think that recycling is only a insignificant way to bring in some cash, you better think twice because the truth is, it is already a big industry.

Because this is the right thing to do for the earth, many are definitely going to recycle out the goodness of their own hearts. But son't forget that there is money to be made.

The majority of areas have some policies put into place that will give some financial benefits to the ones who recycle. Those people who are taking glass bottles or aluminum cans to the plant that recycles get cash in return.

The truth is, a lot of people now pick up recyclable items for them to make some extra money during their free time. Appliances, old

newspapers, steel, copper, plastic as well as beer cans can also be the source of money.

When recycling products, there is always the benefit of saving energy that can cause less emission of the greenhouse gases. These gases are the ones responsible for the increase in global warming. This can help lessen water and air pollution through cutting down the primary source of the pollutants which are being released into the environment.

At the end of the day, it is important to know that not only can this put money in your pocket it can also increase jobs and there will also be a boost in economy.

Through recycling, this will further motivate people to go for greener technologies. The use of the renewable sources of energy such as wind, geothermal or others is now on the rise and that can help a lot in conserving energy and reducing pollution.

Recycling is one process that brings together even the entire community and can save and make money. Even if it is as simple as picking up a candy wrapper on the road or collecting the waste materials for raising money for colleges and schools, all of these are traits shared by each and every member of the family. Even the simplest programs can make communities much stronger than ever, especially when they are built on the numerous benefits of recycling.

While it may seem at first that the benefits of recycling are simple, little by little, you will notice that great changes can be made out of

the simple determination of creating a better world for your children and their children... and at the same time making a little cash.