

Waste Reduction, Reuse, and Recycling Web Resources

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Find these links and documents (and more) on the NERC website:

- [Northeast States Recycling Business Assistance Guide](#)
- [Market Resources for Recycling Industries](#)
- [Environmental Benefits Calculator](#)
- [Environmentally preferable/green purchasing](#)
- [Waste exchanges/reuse opportunities](#)
- [NERC member state information](#)

General

EPA WasteWise

<http://www.epa.gov/epaoswer/non-hw/reduce/wstewise>

Voluntary, member driven program that helps businesses reduce waste.

The Measure of Success: Calculating Waste Reduction

<http://www.epa.gov/wastewise/pubs/wwupda11.pdf>

An EPA document with tips on how to measure waste reduction success.

Pick-up Savings: Adjusting Hauling Services While Reducing Waste

<http://www.p2pays.org/ref/03/02098.pdf>

An EPA Waste Wise document on bidding trash and recycling services, reviewing hauling contracts and bills, and analyzing waste management costs.

California Integrated Waste Management Board

<http://www.ciwmb.ca.gov/BizWaste/FactSheets/>

Various resources, including industry specific fact sheets.

Greater Vancouver Regional District

<http://www.gvrd.bc.ca/SmartSteps/>

Information for developing a sustainable business, including industry specific fact sheets.

ReduceYourWaste.org

<http://www.reduceyourwaste.org/>

An on-line tool that helps businesses determine ways to reduce waste and save money.

Minnesota Pollution Control Agency

<http://www.reduce.org/>

Various resources for businesses.

Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection
<http://www.mass.gov/dep/recycle/reduce/motivate.htm>
Resources for motivating people and employees to recycle.

SabahRecycle.net
<http://www.sabahrecycle.net/>
Links to waste reduction and recycling web resources.

Earth 911 Business
www.Earth911Business.com
Recycling resources for businesses.

EPA Small Business Guide to Technical Assistance
<http://www.epa.gov/p2/pubs/assist/sbg.htm>
Resources for implementing waste prevention at small businesses.

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation and Empire State Development
http://www.dec.ny.gov/docs/permits_ej_operations_pdf/esasb.pdf
Environmental Self-Audit for Small Businesses

California Integrated Waste Management Board
http://www.bottlesandcans.com/local_posters_download.php
<http://www.ciwmb.ca.gov/BizWaste/Posters/All.htm>
Free posters, fliers, stickers, and PSAs for download.

Project Yes
<http://www.project-yes.org/prod.posters.html>
Recycling posters for purchase.

All Plastic Bottles.org
<http://www.allplasticbottles.org/>
Tips and downloadable graphics for collecting plastic bottles.

American Forest & Paper Association
<http://www.paperrecycles.org/recycling/work/index.html>
Paper recycling tips and downloadable paper recycling poster.

Rechargeable Battery Recycling Corporation
<http://www.rbrc.org/call2recycle/>
Program and information on recycling rechargeable batteries and cell phones.

United State Conference of Mayors
http://www.usmayors.org/USCM/uscm_projects_services/buy_recycled/tonerbrochure.htm
Informational brochure on toner cartridge recycling.

GreenDisk

<http://www.greendisk.com/>

Recycles all forms of electronic media and their cases including diskettes, CDs, DVDs, printer cartridges, cell phones, pagers, and more.

U.S. Green Building Council

<http://www.usgbc.org/>

Leadership for Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) and other green building initiatives.

Cafeterias and Restaurants

Glass Packaging Institute

<http://www.gpi.org/recycling/Restaurant/>

Glass recycling resources, including training materials and posters for use in restaurants and food service areas.

California Integrated Waste Management Board

<http://www.ciwmb.ca.gov/Publications/BizWaste/44198016.pdf>

Food for Thought: Restaurant Guide to Waste Reduction and Recycling.

WasteCap Wisconsin

<http://www.p2pays.org/ref/20/19917.pdf>

Food waste options for grocers, restaurants, and food processors.

Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments

<http://www.mwcog.org/environment/recycling/hotel/>

Hotel and Restaurant On-line Guide.

Green Hotels Association

<http://www.greenhotels.com/>

Green ideas, resources, and supplies for the hospitality sector.

Green Restaurant Association

<http://www.dinegreen.com/>

Information and certification program for "greening" restaurants.

Interagency Resource for Achieving Cooperation (IRAC), King County, Washington

http://www.govlink.org/hazwaste/publications/irac_grease.pdf

A restaurant grease management guide.

Hospitals and Health Care

Hospitals for a Healthy Environment

www.h2e-online.org

Founded jointly by the American Hospital Association, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Health Care Without Harm, and the American Nurses Association, H2E helps to educate health care professionals about pollution prevention opportunities.

Green Guide for Health Care

www.gghc.org

Best practices guide for healthy and sustainable building design, construction, and operations for the healthcare industry.

Healthcare Without Harm

www.noharm.org

International coalition of hospitals and health care systems. Website contains a wide range of resources for download.

Sustainable Hospitals Program (SHP)

<http://www.sustainablehospitals.org>

Technical support to the healthcare industry for selecting products and work practices that eliminate or reduce environmental hazards, maintain quality patient care and contain costs.

Industrial Waste Management

EPA

<http://www.epa.gov/industrialwaste/>

Various tools, including a Guide for Industrial Waste Management.

Lean and the Environment

<http://www.epa.gov/lean/>

Information and toolkit on how integrating Lean Management Principles helps environmental practices.

EPA's Design for the Environment Partnership Program

<http://www.epa.gov/dfe/>

Working with individual industry sectors to improve products, processes, and practices.

Lean Enterprise Institute

<http://www.lean.org/Lean/Index.cfm>

Nonprofit organization that develops resources to assist businesses implementing "lean" principles.

Waste Reduction Resource Center

<http://wrrc.p2pays.org/indsector.asp>

Pollution prevention case studies and information for selected industry sectors.

Kentucky Pollution Prevention Center

<http://www.kppc.org/Publications/Training%20Manuals/iswrw/index.cfm>

On-line Industrial Solid Waste Reduction Workbook.

Packaging

Minnesota Office of Environmental Assistance

<http://www.p2pays.org/ref/03/02224.pdf>

Reusable Transport Packaging Directory.

The North Carolina Division of Pollution Prevention and Environmental Assistance

<http://www.p2pays.org/ref/38/37880.pdf>

Pallet Recycling Guide.

The Minnesota Office of Environmental Assistance and the American Plastics Council

<http://www.p2pays.org/ref/03/02226.pdf>

Transport Packaging: Cost-Effective Strategies for Reducing, Reusing, and Recycling in the Grocery Industry.

National Wooden Pallet and Container Association

www.palletcentral.com

Listings of pallet and container recyclers.

Pallet-Mall

www.pallet-mall.com

Lists third-party management (leasing) companies.

Used Cardboard Boxes.com

<http://www.usedcardboardboxes.com>

Innovative company that sells quality used, new, misprinted and overrun cardboard boxes of all sizes.

Plastic Film Recovery Guide

http://www.plasticsresource.com/s_plasticsresource/docs/800/781.pdf

American Plastics Council document that presents an overview of opportunities for diverting film plastics from the waste stream to recycling.