










RECYCLE HERE

RECYCLING WALL USER GUIDE

for hard-to-recycle items that cannot be recycled in your co-mingle recycling collection



MATERIAL	RECYCLING COMPANY
 Bread bag closures	CURRENTLY NOT COLLECTING
 Disposable razors and packaging	Terracycle
 Air fresheners and refills	
 Toothbrushes and paste tubes	
 Writing instruments: pens and markers	
 Contact lenses, cases and blister packs	CURRENTLY NOT COLLECTING
 Toner cartridges	Close the Loop
 Bottle tops	University College
 Batteries, small e-waste and mobile phones	Your local Resource Recovery Centre

INFORMATION AND USER GUIDE



→ TERRACYCLE

Terracycle is a social enterprise aimed at eliminating the idea of waste. Nearly everything we touch can be recycled, so Terracycle offers the collection of 'non-recyclable items' through a national, first-of-its-kind recycling platform. Bread tags, writing instruments, disposable razors & blade packs, contact lenses & associated packaging, toothbrushes, floss containers & paste tubes, even air fresheners & refills, are all recycled for free through this initiative. As a Terracycle Community Collection Hub, UTAS can collect these streams, download free shipping labels, attach the labels to full boxes of recyclables and then send them to the mainland for processing. Once processed, raw materials are transformed into things like outdoor furniture and garden planter boxes.

Further Information www.terracycle.com/en-au

→ CLOSE THE LOOP

Close the Loop collects and recycles millions of toner cartridges every year. Collection is a key component toward achieving a circular economy. Close the Loop wants your empty printer cartridges and runs a free national collection and freight service. Once the cartridges are back at Close the Loop, they undergo a recovery process by separating materials into new useable forms. At the end of the process, all material is recovered and put back into the commodities market – actually closing the material loop. Close the Loop produces alternative asphalt materials, such as TonerPlas™ and TonerPave™, which contain high-recycled content and boast a reduced carbon footprint. They also produce Enviroliner™ pens which use 80% recycled ink and 100% post-consumer recycled plastics.

Brands accepted: Brother, Canon, Dell, Epson, HP, Konica Minolta, Kyocera, Lexmark, Roland, Samsung, Sharp & Toshiba.

Further Information www.closesthe-loop.com.au

→ YOUR LOCAL RESOURCE RECOVERY CENTRE

Hobart, Launceston and Burnie city councils are all actively engaged in reducing waste to landfill over the next decade. Part of the reduction of waste to landfill will be finding viable recycling processes for waste streams precisely like batteries, e-waste and mobile phones. Resource recovery stations throughout many Tasmanian cities can now process waste as a commodity, rather than burying it in landfill. Electronic items may contain toxic chemicals or materials that can be released into the environment if we do not dispose of them properly. Moreover, e-waste or electronics recycling is the process of recovering these materials, some of them very precious metals, from old devices to reuse in new products – another great example of a circular economy.

Further Information www.resource.coop | www.burnie.net | www.launceston.tas.gov.au | www.rethinkwaste.com.au

→ UNIVERSITY COLLEGE / ENVISION HANDS

Next to plastic bags, plastic bottle tops are one of the top polluters of the oceans and environment. Previously, millions of bottle tops from all around Australia were sent to Envision Hands and recycled into disability aids, STEM training tools, and aged care gadgets. Due to overwhelming community support, Envision Hands has suspended collection of bottle tops. University College will however be recommencing collection and endeavour to process collected plastic bottle tops 'in house' in order to create sustainable materials for scale models, furniture or other student-centred projects.

→ SOFT PLASTICS

There are currently **NO SOFT PLASTICS** recycling programs available at the University. We ask that you avoid soft plastics when new ordering products.

**QUESTIONS?
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