

BE A GOOD STEWARD OF OUR ENVIRONMENT.



Morehead State University encourages our campus community to be good stewards of our natural resources and help protect our environment for future generations.

WHO BENEFITS? EVERYONE BENEFITS.

The average American generates about 4.5 pounds of trash every day.

In 2014, Americans tossed 285.5 tons of stuff!

Recycling on campus reduces the amount of waste going to our Morehead landfill.

Landfills emit methane gas that contributes to climate change and noxious odors.

They can contaminate groundwater over time and require valuable space.

WHY RECYCLE?

Recycling gives new life to single use plastics, steel, metal and paper products. Your jacket, textbook, cellphone, backpack and drink bottle probably contain some recycled materials.

REFUSE
REDUCE
REUSE
REPURPOSE
RECYCLE

5



**MOREHEAD STATE
UNIVERSITY**

Campus Recycling

WHY SHOULD YOU CARE?

Our land and waterways are littered with single use plastics, even only after a few decades of use.

It is estimated that there will be more plastic in the ocean than fish soon!

Plastics tend to breakdown in smaller and smaller pieces rather than bio-degrade.

They often end up in the stomachs of birds, fish and other animals. Chemicals in plastic can cause endocrine system disruption and cause hormone imbalance and other negative consequences for living things, including humans.

WHAT GOES WHERE?

ADUC & the Rock food service areas collect recyclable beverage & food service containers.

Academic buildings have paper collection bins and bottle/can recycle bins. Do not mix paper recycling with bottles & cans.

Residence Halls have central collection in designated areas for paper, 1 & 2 plastics, cardboard, shrink wrap, grocery shopping bags, household batteries, cellphones, and toner cartridges. Residence hall rooms are provided with a small recycling container to help transport recycling to the collection area.

Administrative support buildings have a central collection area outside the building and must work with the building services team to determine the best plan for collection at their site. Contact facilities management to schedule pick up for documented shredding services.

All campus recycling is picked up by our building services personnel and taken to the non-profit Morehead Community Recycling Center (MCRC) where it is weighed, sorted and bailed. Bails of recyclables are then sold to market recycling brokers.

WHAT IS RECYCLABLE ON CAMPUS?

PAPER

- Office & Notebook paper
- Mixed paper
- Newspaper
- Magazines & Journals
- Cardboard packaging

PLASTIC & METAL

- Plastic drink bottles
- #1 & #2 plastic containers
- Aluminum cans
- Steel cans
- Plastic grocery bags

WHAT IS NOT RECYCLABLE ON CAMPUS?

- | | |
|---|----------------------------|
| • Glass bottles | • Paper towels & napkins |
| • Jars | • Coated drink cups & lids |
| • Plastic wrap | • Candy wrappers |
| • Plastic yogurt cups | • Snack bags |
| • Styrofoam | • Disposable utensils |
| • Soiled food packaging (take-out containers) | |