



RECYCLING ALL STARS

Sample Newsletter Announcements

Below are sample announcements to help engage residents in your property's recycling program. These announcements can be included in any type of resident communication including newsletters, emails or the property's website.

Sample announcements can be customized to highlight what is happening at your property.

New Recycling Program Announcement

Consider this announcement when introducing a new recycling program at your property.

Recycling Now Available!

We're pleased to announce that we are adding recycling service for residents and are launching a new building-wide recycling program.

We are counting on you to get this new program off to a good start! Recycling the paper, cardboard, plastic, metal and glass from your household will help reduce the amount of things thrown away as garbage and is an important and simple step to building a greener community.

Recycling container(s) are now located next to each of the building's garbage containers. Recycling containers are marked with a sticker that explains what you may place in the recycling. To make it easier for you to participate in the recycling program, you will receive the following tools and resources:

- Recycling guidelines will be distributed to all units during the week of [MONTH/DAY].
- Recycling tote bags, to help you take recyclables from your residence to the outdoor recycling container, will be distributed to all units during the week of [MONTH/DAY].

Please contact [PROPERTY MANAGER NAME] with any questions. Thank you for helping to make this property a Recycling All Star!

Recycling Program Improvements Announcement

Let residents know about improvements made to the building's existing recycling program with the following announcement. Customize this announcement by editing the list of recycling improvements to match those made at your property.

Making it Easy to Recycle at [COMPLEX NAME]

[COMPLEX NAME] wants to make it easier and more convenient for residents to recycle! We're pleased to announce that we have made the following improvements to our building-wide recycling program:

- Recycling containers are now located next to garbage containers.
- Recycling containers are labeled with stickers to help you understand what is recyclable.
- Recycling containers will be emptied more frequently – collection has increased to [X] times per week.
- Residents will be provided with recycling tote bags to help you take recyclables from your unit to the outdoor recycling container. Tote bags will be distributed to all units during the week of [MONTH/DAY].
- Recycling guidelines with instructions on what you can recycle will be distributed to all units during the week of [MONTH/DAY].

We're pleased to make recycling easier for our residents, and thank you for your efforts to recycle! Please contact [PROPERTY MANAGER NAME] with any questions.

Waste Prevention and Reuse Tips Announcement

If your residents are already doing a great job of recycling, consider helping them take their green habits to the next level with an announcement that focuses on waste prevention and reuse tips. These tips will also help minimize illegal dumping and occurrences of bulky items being left near garbage containers.

Beyond Recycling - Help Keep Reusable Items from Going to Waste!

Getting ready for some spring cleaning? Preparing for a move and wondering what to do with items that are reusable or not allowed in the garbage or recycling containers? Here are some local resources that can help:

Not sure where to take your old paint, batteries or broken TV? The Washington Department of Ecology's recycling hotline is a great resource for recycling questions! Call 1-800-RECYCLE (732-9253) or visit them online at www.1800recycle.wa.gov.

- Do you have usable unwanted items? Consider donating these items to a local non-profit. Some organizations will even come to the property to pick up large items!
- Household items, clothing or furniture: www.seattlegoodwill.org , www.bigbluetruck.org, www.sightconnection.org
- Unopened people food: www.northwestharvest.org
- Unopened pet food: Everett Animal Services, 425-257-6000
- For items that are too large for your collection containers, contact Waste Management. Call 1-800-592-9995 or www.wmnorthwest.com

Thank you for your efforts to help make this property a Recycling All Star! Please contact [PROPERTY MANAGER NAME] with any questions.