

Other alternatives:

Material Exchange Programs:

- **The Regional District of Fraser-Fort George (RDFFG)** provides a long term recycling opportunity for the IC&I sector. Metro Material Wastes receives, processes and markets program recyclables allowing business' the opportunity to unload unwanted materials that it may generate. Potential revenue and avoidance of tipping fees make this a win win situation for both the local business' and the RDFFG's goal in reducing waste going to the landfill. Call Metro Materials Waste (250-563-0233) for information.
- **FreecyclePG** is a local message board to post items to give away or pick up. All items posted are "free". This new service through REAPS is aimed at slowing the flow to the landfill. For more information visit <http://www.freecycle.org>. Services available by sending an email to: freecyclePGsubscribe@yahoo.com <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/FreecyclePG/>
- **BC Materials Exchange:** A free waste matching service that links one business' surplus or waste to the needs of another. You can contact the Recycling Council of British Columbia at 1-800-667-7321, Monday to Friday, 9am to 4pm. More information and an online catalogue is available at www.rcbc.bc.ca

Is it worth the effort?

- Recycling 1 ton of paper saves 17 trees, 2 barrels of oil (enough to run the average car for 1260 miles), 4100 kilowatts of energy (enough to power the average home for six months), 3.2 cubic yards of landfill space and 60 pounds of air pollution.
- North Americans have 8% of the worlds population, yet produce 50% of the world's garbage.
- Canadians use their own weight in plastic every year.
- By replacing your disposable coffee cup with a reusable mug just once a day, we can save over 500 million cups in one year.
- The energy saved from recycling just one pop can is enough to light a 100-watt light bulb for over 3 hours.

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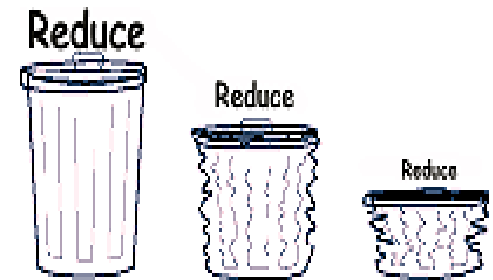
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Waste Assessment for the IC&I Sector



Three quick wins

- Decrease waste disposal costs
- Improve environmental image
- Generate revenue from recycling programs

"If you can't measure it,
You can't manage it"



About the Waste Assessment

The Waste assessment is a free service being provided to your business by REAPS in partnership with the Regional District of Fraser - Fort George (RDFFG). This program was developed to help businesses review their waste generation habits, in efforts to reduce the waste that is going to our landfill.

The Process

- Waste Auditors will visit your business and conduct a full waste assessment of your current waste generation and waste disposal practices.
- This data will be analyzed in order to develop recommendations on ways to reduce your waste stream.
- You will be provided with a report outlining the current practices and the benefits of implementing recommendations, highlighting potential benefits to your business.
- Assistance will be provided to you in developing a waste reduction plan tailored to your needs.
- We can assist with the promotion of your business participation.

Benefits are countless!

- Decrease waste disposal costs
- Reduce costs of office supplies and paper
- Reduce your business' environmental impact
- Increase your corporate image
- Establish efficient and economical waste management practices
- Increase your business appeal to environmentally concerned customers
- Generate revenue from recycling

The little things count!

- Source reduction. Buy bulk or look for less packaging.
- Purchase products with recycled content
- Have your business removed from the "junk mail" lists by contacting The Canadian Direct Marketing Association at 1 Concord Gate, Suite 607 Don Mills, Ontario, M3C 3N6, phone them @ (416) 391-2362 or online at www.the-cma.org



What's in our garbage?

Metal-5%

Glass-6%

Plastic-7%

Other-18%

All types of paper-32%

Yard & Kitchen Waste- 32%



Waste Reduction Directory:

For an extensive list of materials and drop off locations, please visit our website at: www.reaps.org and consult the local Waste Reduction Directory.

Curbside recycling:

Blue Jewel Curbside Recycling
(ph:250-960-8531)

R3 Residential Recycling
(ph:250-963-9073)