

Specialized Recycling Opportunities

Besides the materials accepted through curbside collection programs and at the Anchorage Recycling Center and related drop-off sites, there are numerous other materials that can be recycled in Anchorage. Here is just a sampling of those materials and where they can be recycled.

Aveda Salons

www.aveda.com/aboutaveda/caps

Recycle Caps campaign – Bring plastic bottle caps to salon locations and they will be sent back to Aveda for recycling. The program accepts caps that are rigid plastic, often noted with a “5” in the chasing arrows recycling symbol. This includes caps that twist on with a threaded neck such as caps on shampoo, water, soda, milk and other beverage bottles and pharmaceutical lids, flip top caps on tubes and food product bottles (such as ketchup and mayonnaise), laundry detergents and some jar lids such as peanut butter. Metal caps, flexible plastic tub lids, and spray pumps are not recyclable through this program.

Local Aveda salons participating in the recycling program in Anchorage include:

- Chez Ritz, 333 W. 7th Ave., Ste. 200
- Darae’s Salon & Spa, 3389 Minnesota Dr.
- Meg Allen Salon & Spa, 1921 W. Dimond Blvd., Ste. 110

Batteries Plus

910 W. International Airport Rd.
Accepts rechargeable batteries.

Best Buy

Accepts up to three electronics per day for free, including TVs, DVD players, computer monitors, audio and video cables, cell phones, and more. There is a charge of \$10 for TVs and CRT computer monitors, but this is offset with a \$10 gift card. Visit www.bestbuy.com/recycling for locations and a list of what is accepted in Alaska stores. Best Buy also has free kiosks, just inside the door, to drop off inkjet cartridges, rechargeable batteries, CDs/DVDs, and gift cards for recycling.

Black & Decker

4831 Old Seward Hwy.
Accepts rechargeable batteries.

The Home Depot

1715 Abbott Rd.
515 E Tudor Rd.
400 Rodeo Pl.
Accepts rechargeable batteries and CFLs.

Schnitzer Steel – Anchorage

(Alaska Metal Recycling)
9705 King St.
Accepts propane tanks and canisters.

Suburban Propane

1200 E. Whitney Rd.
Accepts propane tanks and canisters.

Did you know...

Nordstrom (603 D Street, Anchorage) has recycling bins for customers and employees for aluminum cans, plastic bottles, mixed paper, and cardboard?

Target

1200 N. Muldoon Rd. and 150 W. 100th Ave.
Accepts aluminum cans, glass and plastic beverage containers, plastic bags, MP3 players, cell phones and ink cartridges from customers. Note: Glass bins are for bottles generated in the café only.

Total Reclaim, Inc.

12101 Industry Way, Unit C4
Accepts electronics, fluorescent and compact fluorescent lamps, refrigerants.

Wal-Mart – wal-mart.gazelle.com

Online Electronics Trade-In Program. Earn Wal-mart Prepaid Visa Cards by responsibly trading in used electronics, including cell phones, laptops, MP3 players, digital cameras, and more.

Even Better Than Recycling: REUSE

Eyeglasses

Take your old prescription eyeglasses or sunglasses to Lenscrafters at the Dimond Center or Sears Mall. The glasses go to the Gift of Sight program, which provides glasses to underprivileged people in the U.S. and in developing countries around the world. The Lions Club also collects eyeglasses. Call 566-1597 for details and drop-off locations.

Shoes

Soles4Souls.org – Donate “gently worn” footwear to people in need. Since its inception following the Asian tsunami, Soles4Souls has distributed nearly 12 million pairs to people in 125 countries.

Skinny Raven Sports
800 H St. location only

Alliance Christian Fellowship
16611 Artillery Rd.,
Eagle River

Packing Peanuts

The UPS Store accepts packing peanuts for reuse, and some will accept entire blocks of expanded polystyrene. Nine stores throughout Anchorage and Eagle River. Visit www.theupsstore.com for locations.

Also accepting packing peanuts:

The Packaging Store
549 W. International Airport Rd.

The Mail Cache
3705 Arctic Blvd.

