Let's Target Recycling Together!

Recycling Ben and the Dalton-Whitfield Solid Waste Authority invite you to Target Recycling by participating in the Target Recycling program. Since the Fall of 2008 Target Recycling has been serving Whitfield County schools and businesses providing a much needed collection outlet for recyclables. It's divided into three parts, Target Recycling at Work , Target Recycling at School
, and
Target Recycling at Home
. The School program even includes a Recycling Contest between participating schools. Currently, Target Recycling is offered as a free service to
qualifying
businesses, and to all local schools both public and private.

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What can be recycled with Target Recycling?

Target Recycling has three different collection containers for specific recyclable materials. They are: Mixed Paper, Cardboard Only, and Plastic/Aluminum. Items that are recyclable include Cardboard boxes, paperboard boxes, newspaper, magazines, junk mail, posters, copy paper, office paper, telephone books, books, fliers, file folders and other paper products. Also recyclable are Plastic bottles and jugs with the #1 or #2 recycling symbol, and aluminum beverage cans. Pictured is a Mixed Paper container. All of the containers are green and yellow, and are the size of a large dumpster with a foot print of 6x6 feet.

Download the Mini-Posters that show what items go with each container by clicking on the icons below.

Target Recycling
Cardboard Only
This container is
ENGLISH
Flatten or Break
Down all Boxes to save
space.
• Remove packing items
like styrofoam blocks, lin-
ers, and packing peanuts.
• NO waxed cardboard
boxes.
• NO plastic bags or
liners.

Target Recycling
Papel Mixto
Este contenedor
SPANISH
Papel
Desmenuzado
Cajas de Cartón
Corrugado
• Tubos de Cartón
• Archivos
• Folletos
• Cartón Liso
• Papel de Oficina
• Catálogos
• Libros
• Si se rompe esta bien
• Quite las envolturas de plástico
• Favor de doblar las cajas
• NO cajas con cera
• NO bolsas de plástico

Who is Recycling Ben?

Recycling Ben in the mascot for the Target Recycling program and has also come to represent recycling in Whitfield County. You can learn more about him on the Recycling Ben page . There are two versions of Recycling Ben, one is a live mascot that stands about seven feet tall. The second is a stand alone or cutout called “Flat Ben”. Both are available for special guest appearances and are frequent additions to educational presentations.

Target Recycling at Work

Restaurants and retailers are perfect candidates for a Cardboard Recycling container. All the boxes you receive food and merchandise in can flattened or broken down to go in the Cardboard Only container from Target Recycling. Once a week or as needed the Target Recycling truck will come by and empty the container. Each time a container is picked up it is weighed and a record is kept of how much you are recycling. These reports, available upon request, are helpful to companies that are instituting a sustainability plan and even those looking for LEED certification.

Certain businesses may also eligible for a Mixed Paper and a Plastic/Aluminum container. Things to keep in mind when requesting one of these containers include the number of employees and amount of those materials collected during a one month period. Before you sign up with Target Recycling our staff will conduct a site visit and speak with you to determine whether or not your location will be a good match for the program.

Staff [illegible] Educational opportunities for [illegible] special company events. Form Here)

Target Recycling at School

Target Recycling is managed by the Dalton-Whitfield Solid Waste Authority as a free service for schools in Whitfield County, Georgia providing recycling education and collection of recyclables. As of the 2010-2011 school year, there are 34 schools participating in the program. For more details about the county wide School Recycling Contest visit the Recycling at School page .

Target Recycling at School supports this program with educational opportunities for students and staff free of charge including:

- Activity books, coloring sheets, etc. for students
- Pencils or other items made from recycled materials
- Tour of DWSWA facilities including the Recycling Center. (Tour Request Form Here)
- Meet and greet with mascot Recycling Ben for special events and assemblies
- Recycling Assessments to improve recycling rate
- Workshops for Teachers, Custodial Staff
- Bi-Weekly Newsletter for teachers and staff (click here to sign-up)
- Fan Page on Facebook for teachers and staff
- Monthly Recycling Rate Reports for each school
- Automatic participation and eligibility for prizes in the School Recycling Contest
- Hosts the new annual America Recycles Day Billboard Contest for middle schoolers

- Bilingual educational options (English / Spanish)

Target Recycling at Home

Target Recycling at Home is a recycling collection service for multi-family units such as apartment complexes that are typically not included in Curbside Recycling services. Recycling at a multi-family unit requires a serious commitment from the property manager and residents. To learn more about what it takes to begin a recycling program visit the Georgia Recycling Coalition's website and download the Multi Family Recycling Program Toolkit .

Target Recycling at Home provides free educational opportunities and support for residents and property managers that includes:

- Recycling Assessments to improve recycling rate
- Workshops for residents, staff
- Guidance in choosing recycling containers for residents
- Tour of DWSWA facilities including the Recycling Center. (Tour Request Form Here)
- Meet and greet with mascot Recycling Ben to promote the program