

## Listserve to join

### MIT ReUse

<http://web.mit.edu/reuse/www/rules.txt>

### Free Food Exchange

[free-food@mit.edu](mailto:free-food@mit.edu)

### Working Group Recycling Listserv

[http://mailman.mit.edu/mailman/listinfo/wgr\\_announcements](http://mailman.mit.edu/mailman/listinfo/wgr_announcements)

### How to Subscribe to Listserve

<http://stuff.mit.edu/afs/athena/activity/i/institutvte/talk/>

## Recycling/Reuse Locations

### Paper/Commingles

Bins are located in all MIT buildings. To request a bin for everyday use or for a clean-out, contact the MIT Recycling Program.

### TechnoCycle/Toner Cartridges

Bins are located in most DMC mail rooms.

### Books

Donation bins are located between the Stata Center and Building 56, and at the Westgate Parking Lot along Amherst Alley.

### MIT Student Furniture Exchange (Fx)

Located at WW15. Visit the Women's League website.

### Large Item Recycling and Questions

Contact the MIT Recycling Program.

This brochure has been compiled in an effort to assist and direct the campus community to specific areas in which they may have recycling or environmental questions and concerns. For answers to your other recycling questions: <http://web.mit.edu/facilities/environmental/recycling-faq.html>.



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To order desk-side trash and recycling containers, fill out web form through the Building Services tab in SAPweb: [http://web.mit.edu/sapweb/PS1/facilities\\_home.shtml](http://web.mit.edu/sapweb/PS1/facilities_home.shtml)

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# Resources to live a Zero Waste lifestyle

## At MIT

### MIT Recycling Program

<http://web.mit.edu/facilities/environmental/recycling.html>

### Working Group Recycling Committee

<http://web.mit.edu/wgreycling>

### Environmental Health and Safety Office

<http://web.mit.edu/environment/index.html>

### MIT Energy Initiative (MITEI)

<http://web.mit.edu/mitei/>

### Share A Vital Earth Student Group (SAVE)

<http://web.mit.edu/save/www/>

### Students for Global Sustainability

<http://web.mit.edu/sfgs/>

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[http://sustainability.mit.edu/Main\\_Page](http://sustainability.mit.edu/Main_Page)

### MIT Student Furniture Exchange

<http://web.mit.edu/womensleague/fx/>

## What is the Zero Waste Lifestyle?

Preserving the environment by making choices that lead to the reduction and elimination of waste.

## Off Campus

### Hot Numbers:

#### Cambridge Recycling Program

(617) 349-4005

#### Hazardous Spill Hotline

1-888-304-1133

#### Mass Air Quality Hotline

1-800-882-1497

#### MassDEP Environmental Strike Force

(report any environmental problems/ violations)  
1-888-VIOLATE

#### Mass Litter Hotline

1-888-359-9595

### Helpful Websites:

#### Calculate Your Ecological Footprint

[www.myfootprint.org](http://www.myfootprint.org)

#### Cambridge Recycling Program

[www.cambridgema.gov/TheWorks/departments/recycle/index.html](http://www.cambridgema.gov/TheWorks/departments/recycle/index.html)

#### Consumer Guide to Product Labeling

[www.eco-label.org](http://www.eco-label.org)

#### Grassroots Recycling

##### Network Zero Waste Site

[www.grrn.org/zerowaste/index.html](http://www.grrn.org/zerowaste/index.html)

#### Junk Mail Reduction

[www.privacyrights.org/fs/fs4-junk.htm#getofflist](http://www.privacyrights.org/fs/fs4-junk.htm#getofflist)

#### The New American Dream

[www.newdream.org](http://www.newdream.org)

#### Sustainable Production Practices

[www.cleanproduction.org](http://www.cleanproduction.org)

## Tips

- » Do a one day trash audit for you and your family. You will be surprised to find out what you REALLY throw away.
- » Carry a reusable mug for coffee and drinks.
- » Let suppliers know that you want less packaging with products and paper-less bills.
- » Purchase items with post-consumer content.
- » Buy durable, not disposable.
- » Purchase products with the least amount of packaging.
- » Route and share magazine and newspaper subscriptions, or get an online subscription.
- » Buy used instead of new. Donate instead of throwing away.
- » Don't waste your money! Buy only what you need and will use.
- » Stop your paper towel addiction—use washable sponges or rags.
- » Use both sides of the paper.
- » Be a solid waste steward! Influence family and friends towards a more sustainable life.
- » Always remember—we vote every time we spend. Spend your money on environmentally responsible products!