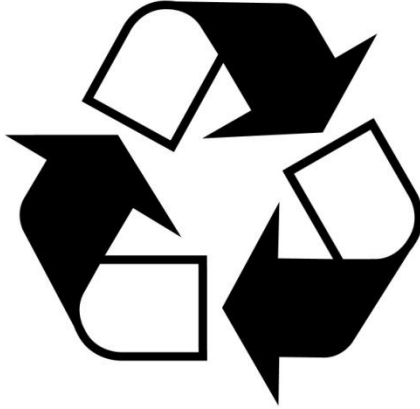


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## **RECYCLING IN RAPID CITY**

## **HOW, WHAT AND WHERE**

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# RECYCLING IN RAPID CITY

The Materials Recycling Facility (MRF) at the Rapid City Landfill sells the following recycled materials as follows: corrugated cardboard, newspaper, aluminum, copper, brass, steel and Plastic (#1 and #2 only) – look inside the recycling triangle on the container's bottom).

During calendar year 2010, **the MRF received \$570,561 for the sale of 3,105 tons of those materials**—materials recycled by the citizens of Rapid City and its surrounding areas.

The MRF estimates that **only 25%** of the recyclable materials discarded in Rapid City are recovered and sold.

**We can create more than \$2 million in revenue if most households recycle!**

Are YOU recycling? If not, please do!  
Take the time! Make the effort! It's worth it!

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# ***Rapid City Recycling Services***

## **Recycle Your Glass, Plastic, Aluminum and Steel**

**Recyclables are collected on a variable schedule.** If you have alley collection, your recyclables are collected every other week. If you have curbside collection, your recyclables will be collected any time they are placed out on your normal collection day.

Please recycle the following types of items:

Glass – pickle jars, mayonnaise jars, beer bottles, baby food jars, etc.

Plastic (#1 and #2 only) – milk, juice, ketchup, cottage cheese, detergent, shampoo containers, etc. Please remove caps from bottles to aid in crushing.

Aluminum – pop cans, beer cans, personal hygiene products, etc.

Steel – coffee and food cans, empty paint cans, empty aerosol cans, etc.

**How:** Please place items in your blue recycling container. First, remove all lids from containers and put the lids in the garbage. You may leave labels on containers. Rinse recyclables only to keep your containers clean and odor free!

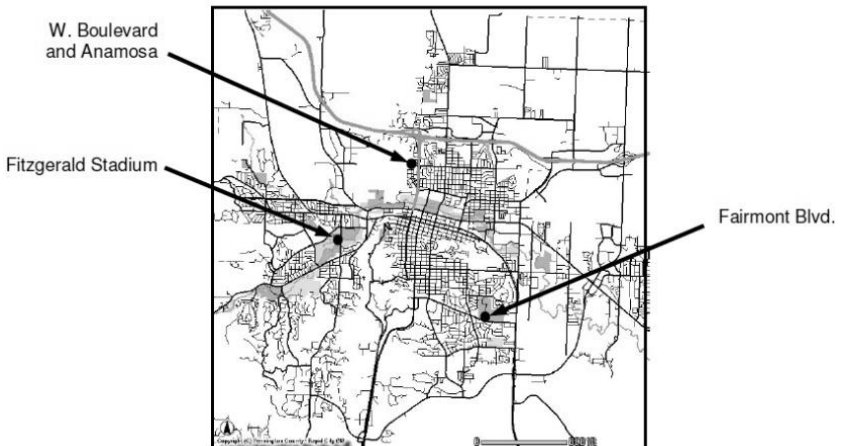
**Please, no paper, cardboard, or plastic bags  
in the blue containers or drop-off bins.**

If you have questions about Rapid City's recycling service, please call Rapid City Material Recycling Facility (MRF) at 355-3496.

All area residents are welcome to use the Recycling/Yard Waste Drop-off Sites:

### **Drop-off Locations:**

- Parking lot of Fitzgerald Stadium on the corner of Canyon Lake Drive and Sheridan Lake Road across from Sioux Park pool.
- West Boulevard North and Anamosa Street
- Fairmont Boulevard near Robbinsdale Park, east of the Fire Station, across from St. Paul's Lutheran Church



# Special Wastes

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## Automotive Wastes

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### Antifreeze

For small quantities, bulk up with cat litter, dirt or sawdust and put in the trash, or recycle at most facilities with auto repair services. Call your auto dealer or auto repair shop. Large quantities of used oil, anti-freeze, waste water, slop fuel or used grease, recycle at

#### **Tri-State Recycling Services, Inc.**

P.O. Box 790 Newcastle, WY, 800-876-8645, Mon–Thu: 8 am – 5 pm,  
Fri: 8 am – 4 pm

### Car Batteries (Lead Acid)

When you purchase a new battery, ask the dealer if they recycle old ones.

If not, recycle at:

#### **Ace Steel and Recycling** - market price

1724 W. Main St., Rapid City, 342-5678, Mon–Fri: 7:30 am - 8 pm,  
Sat: 8 am – 6 pm, Sun: 10 am - 5 pm

#### **Batteries Plus** - no rebate

1315 Haines Ave. Suite E, Rapid City, 718-6000, Mon–Fri: 8 am – 8 pm,  
Sat: 9 am – 6 pm, Sun: 11 am - 4 pm

#### **Interstate Batteries** - \$6 rebate for used batteries.

1330 Jess St., Rapid City, 341-7181, Mon–Fri: 7:30 am - 8 pm, Sat: 8 am – 3 pm

#### **Runnings Farm & Fleet**

1555 Haines Ave., Rapid City, 342-9008, [www.myrunnings.com](http://www.myrunnings.com)  
Mon–Sat: 7 am - 9 pm, Sun: 9 am – 6 pm

### Gasoline

#### Up to 5 gallons of gasoline may be left in a container at **Rapid City MRF**

5165 South Hwy. 79, Rapid City, 355-3496, Mon–Sat: 7 am – 4:45 pm

#### Larger quantities, contact **Tri-State Recycling Services**

P.O. Box 790 Newcastle, WY, 800-876-8645, Mon–Thu: 8 am – 5 pm,  
Fri: 8 am – 4 pm

### Tires

#### **New Deal Tire**, where the Rapid City MRF sends tires for recycling.

Fees: Charges fee, will pick up in Rapid City \$1.05 (passenger tire), \$1.90 (truck), \$5.85 (semi) or \$105/ton if you drop them off. Pickup prices in Rapid City are \$1.80, \$3.30, \$10.00 or \$180/ton.

117 W. Hwy. 12, Groton, SD, 605-397-8473

**Rapid City MRF** - Fees are charged by size: \$2.55 each - 16" and smaller, \$7.95 each - on rim or larger than 16", \$210/ton - tractor or other large tires or more than 6 tires

5165 South Hwy. 79, Rapid City, 355-3496, Mon–Sat: 7 am – 4:45 pm

### Vehicles

Salvage yards take cars, trucks and campers (some do not take campers - the owner would need to call and check). You need to have title or bill of sale to salvage a vehicle.

#### **A Plus Recycling** - They also recycle scrap metal.

2115 Seger Dr., Rapid City, 343-3655, Mon–Fri: 8 am – 5 pm, Sat: 8 am – Noon

#### **Aggressive Auto and Salvage**, (no campers)

2019 Seger Dr., Rapid City, 342-1825, Mon–Fri: 8 am – 10 am, Sat: 8 am - Noon

#### **Alan's Auto Recycling** (no campers)

1800 Seger Dr., Rapid City, 388-0550, Mon–Fri: 8 am – 5 pm, Sat: 8 am - Noon

Note: Freon Removal and Certification - This service is required for any automobile air conditioning unit that is decommissioned when salvaging the vehicle. Usually this process is done by the salvage yard.

### **Waste Oil (Household Quantities)**

Check with your auto dealer or auto repair shop, or recycle with:

**Walmart** - up to 5 gallons by appointment.

1200 North LaCrosse St., Rapid City, 342-9444, Mon–Sun: 10 am - 10 pm

**O'Reilly's Auto Parts** - up to 5 gallons

335 Mt. View Rd., Rapid City, 341-7038, Mon–Sun: 8 am – 10 pm

## **Electronics (Tech Trash)**

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### **Cell Phones**

You may donate your cell phones to:

**Working Against Violence (WAVI)**

527 Quincy St., Rapid City, 341-3292, Mon–Fri: 8 am - 5 pm

(Ring buzzer at back door to drop off after working hours.)

Or choose a charity at: [www.collectivegood.com](http://www.collectivegood.com) /[www.cellphonesforsoldiers.com](http://www.cellphonesforsoldiers.com)

Or recycle cell phones at:

**Best Buy** - Bring to drop box in the entry during store hours or go to

[www.wirelessrecycling.com](http://www.wirelessrecycling.com)

2320 North Haines Ave., Rapid City, 341-8220

Mon–Wed: 10 am - 9 pm, Thu: 7 am - 9 pm, Fri–Sat: 9 am - 9 pm, Sun: 10 am - 7 pm

**Office Depot**

1331 W. Omaha St., Rapid City, 341-0474, Mon–Sat: 8 am - 9 pm, Sun: 10 am - 7 pm

### **Computers**

Computer components may be donated to thrift stores only if in working order.

Otherwise, Rapid City has local options for recycling computers.

**Affordable Computing Solutions** recycles computers, peripherals, VCR, DVD. They will take CRT monitors with towers without charge, otherwise small fee for CRT monitors and TVs. They market recovered metals locally, other materials to US processor in CO.

309 North Maple Ave., Rapid City, 343-3747, Mon–Fri: 9 am - 6 pm, Sat: 10 am - 4 pm

**Best Buy** recycles any printers free of charge. Pay \$10 to recycle computers, monitors at Customer Service desk. Issues \$10 Best Buy gift card in return.

2320 North Haines Ave., Rapid City, 341-8220

Mon–Wed: 10 am - 9 pm, Thu: 7 am - 9 pm, Fri–Sat: 9 am - 9 pm, Sun: 10 am - 7 pm

**Computer Village** – Drop off your old Macs (no charge). Refurbishes Apple Macs and re-sells them at low prices; participates in annual Christmas giveaway of refurbished Macs.

601 12<sup>th</sup> St., Rapid City, 343-6264, Mon-Fri: 10 am – 6 pm, Sat: 10 am – 3 pm

**Goodwill Industries Store** accepts CRT monitors and computer hardware/gear through partnership with Dell Recycling. No charge.

611 Lindbergh Ave., Rapid City, 737-3955, Mon-Sat: 9 am - 9 pm, Sun: 10 am - 6 pm

**Green Wizard Technology** recycles computer gear, printers and related equipment. Use Dell Recycling program. Free removal.

Note: Learn more by googling Dell Asset Recovery Services.

391-7315, e-mail: [gwtechnologies@aol.com](mailto:gwtechnologies@aol.com)

**Home Technology Services** recycles computers, printers, monitors, scanners and other electronic parts associated with computer. They will pick up for a small fee.

205 E. College Ave., Rapid City, 718-2606, Mon-Fri: 9 am – 8 pm

**Micro Solutions** recycles computer hardware except CRT monitors, material recovered locally.

1730 N. Haines Ave., Rapid City, 341-4152, Mon–Fri: 8 am – 6 pm, Sat: 9 am – 3 pm

**Office Depot** takes computer monitors, printers and any other tech trash items, excluding appliances. You must buy boxes for \$15 (large), \$10 (medium), or \$5 (small), then fill them with any type of electronics. They ship them to Ohio tech recycling center to recover copper, glass, aluminum and plastic.

1331 W. Omaha St., Rapid City, 341-0474, Mon–Sat: 8 am - 9 pm, Sun: 10 am - 7 pm

Note: **Learn about the Computer Takeback Campaign** for responsible electronics recyclers at <http://www.electronicstakeback.com>. and **the Basel Action Network** at [www.ban.org/pledge/Locations.html](http://www.ban.org/pledge/Locations.html).

### **Laser Printer Toner Cartridges**

**Dakota Laser Tech** takes laser toner cartridges for refill while providing jobs for adults with disabilities, affiliated with Black Hills Workshop.

1350 Concourse Dr., Rapid City, 343-6850

### **Printer Ink Cartridges**

#### **Best Buy**

2320 North Haines Ave., Rapid City, 341-8220

Mon–Wed: 10 am - 9 pm, Thu: 7 am - 9 pm, Fri–Sat: 9 am - 9 pm, Sun: 10 am - 7 pm

**Office Depot** gives you \$2 per cartridge on Office Depot gift card.

1331 W. Omaha St., Rapid City, 341-0474, Mon–Sat: 8 am - 9 pm, Sun: 10 am - 7 pm

If you prefer not to recycle locally, check: <http://www.recycle4charity.com>

## **Household Items**

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### **Appliances**

If the company that sold you new appliances will not recycle the old ones, all appliances except Freon-bearing appliances are accepted at:

**Ace Steel and Recycling** pays for them per pound.

2830 Eglin St., Rapid City, 342-8649, Mon–Fri: 8 am - 5 pm, Sat: 8 am – Noon

**Pacific Steel and Recycling**, \$15 fee

4820 Biernbaum Ln., Rapid City, 343-0334, Mon–Fri: 8 am - 5 pm

**Rapid City MRF**

5165 South Hwy. 79, Rapid City, 355-3496, Mon–Sat: 7 am – 4:45 pm

Note: Any household appliance that contains Freon must have professional Freon removal and certification, available for a \$35 fee, from:

**K&D Appliance Service**, 3405 Edwards St., Rapid City, 394-9411

**Karl's TV and Appliance**, 8 Knollwood Dr., Rapid City, 343-3610

Small usable appliances may be donated to thrift stores or recycle at:

**Cornerstone Thrift Store**, Call to schedule pickups of large item.

401 11th St., Rapid City, 716-2768

Store: Mon-Sat: 9 am - 5 pm, Drop off: Mon-Fri: 9 am - 4 pm

**Goodwill Industries Store**

611 Lindbergh Ave., Rapid City, 737-3955, Mon–Sat: 9 am - 9 pm, Sun: 10 am - 6 pm

Usable & non-usable major appliances (no small appliances)

**Black Hills Habitat for Humanity Restore Outlet**

610 E. Omaha St, Rapid City, 791-1880. Tue&Sat: 9 am - 3 pm, Wed–Fri: 9 am - 6 pm

Drop off: open during store hours except Tuesdays. Habitat ReStore Warehouse at

City Landfill opens during City Landfill hours.

### **Batteries**

If it is rechargeable, it is recyclable. Also when you see the Recycle Battery seal or the abbreviations Ni-Cd, Ni-MH, Li-ion or PB printed on a battery pack, it means the battery can be recycled. You may place regular household alkaline

non-rechargeable batteries (sizes AAA, AA,C, D, etc.) in your garbage. The following locations accept rechargeable and non-rechargeable batteries.

**Best Buy** - Bring to drop box in the entry during store hours

2320 North Haines Ave., Rapid City, 341-8220

Mon–Wed: 10 am - 9 pm, Thu: 7 am - 9 pm, Fri–Sat: 9 am - 9 pm, Sun: 10 am - 7 pm

**Batteries Plus** ships all kinds of rechargeable and non earth-friendly flashlight, camera, button and electronic batteries to a recycler.

1315 Haines Ave, Suite E, Rapid City, 718-6000, Mon–Fri: 8 am - 8 pm,

Sat: 9 am - 6 pm, Sun: 11 am - 4 pm

**Chris Supply** ships all kinds of rechargeable and non earth-friendly flashlight, camera, button and electronic batteries to a recycler.

114 East Blvd. N., Rapid City, 342-5900, Mon–Fri: 7 am -5 pm, Sat: 8 am - Noon

**Interstate Batteries**

1330 Jess St., Rapid City, 341-7181, Mon–Fri: 7:30 am - 8 pm, Sat: 8 am - 3 pm

**Local jewelry stores** recycle button batteries (watches, calculators, etc.)

**Lowes Home Improvement Center**

2550 Haines Ave., Rapid City, 341-4815, Mon-Sat: 7 am - 9 pm, Sun: 8 am - 7 pm

**Batteries for Power Tools** (See “**Building Materials**”)

**Clothing/Household Goods**

Clean, usable clothing, shoes and household items donated to three area thrift stores are sold to benefit programs and assist needy families. Some items are given to West River Community Action for distribution. Bring any ruined clothing or fabric, too. It is baled and sold for reprocessing.

**Cornerstone Thrift Store**, Call to schedule pickup of large items.

401 11th St., Rapid City, 716-2768

Store: Mon-Sat: 9 am - 5 pm, Drop off: Mon- Fri: 9 am - 4 pm

**Goodwill Industries Store** also accepts furniture for resale.

611 Lindbergh Ave., Rapid City, 737-3955, Mon–Sat: 9 am - 9 pm, Sun: 10 am - 6 pm

**Mommy's Closet** accepts infants and toddlers clothing and baby items. Call for appointment and drop-off location.

22 E. New York St., Rapid City, 341-8336, Mon–Fri (except Wed): 9 am - 4 pm,

Wed: 1 pm - 4 pm

**Rapid City Club for Boys Thrift Store**

319 North 3rd St., Rapid City, 341-8878, Mon-Fri: 9 am - 3 pm, Sat: 9 am - 2 pm

**Salvation Army Thrift Store**

621 East St Patrick St., Rapid City, 342-8849

Shop: Mon–Sat: 9 am - 5 pm, Drop off: Mon–Sat: 9 am - 4 pm

**Eyeglasses**

**Lions International** accepts prescription and reading glasses, sunglasses and plastic and metal frames. Children's glasses are especially needed. You can drop off your old eyewear at Lions-sponsored collection at these locations:

Behrens Wilson Funeral Home, 632 St. Francis St., Rapid City

BH Regional Eye Institute, 2800 3rd. St., Rapid City

Boyd's East, 909 E. St. Patrick St., Rapid City

Boyd's West, 2650 Mt. View Rd., Rapid City

Budget Optical, 1601 Mt. Rushmore Rd., Rapid City

Canyon Lake Senior Center, 2900 Canyon Lake Dr., Rapid City

Canyon Lake United Methodist Church, 3500 Canyon Lake Dr., Rapid City

Courtesy Subaru, 410 N. Campbell St., Rapid City

Ecarius Eye Clinic, 631 St Anne St., Rapid City

Elks Club, 3333 Jolly Lane Rd., Rapid City

Faith Lutheran Church, 17 Indiana St., Rapid City

Family Thrift Center, 751 Mountain View Rd., Rapid City

Goodwill, 611 Lindberg Ave., Rapid City

In Vision Optical, 2626 W. Main St. #4, Rapid City  
Jerry's Cakes and Donuts, 109 E. Omaha St., Rapid City  
Pillen Optical, 501 Kansas City St., Rapid City  
Westside Safeway Pharmacy, 730 Mountain View Rd., Rapid City

## **Drugs (see "Pharmaceuticals")**

### **Fluorescent Light Bulbs (including compact fluorescents (CFLs))**

**Lighting Maintenance Co.**, Postage paid boxes to mail to recycler holding 6 to 12 bulbs at \$19.25

2221 Bridgeview Dr., Rapid City, 343-1386, Mon-Fri: 8 am – 5 pm

### **Lowe's Home Improvement Center**

2550 Haines Ave., Rapid City, 341-4815, Mon-Sat: 7 am - 9 pm, Sun: 8 am - 7 pm

Note: Rapid City MRF does NOT take fluorescent light bulbs.

## **Household Chemicals**

**Rapid City MRF** - Treat household chemicals like paint: mix with cat litter, dirt or sawdust until solid, and dispose of in your garbage.

5165 South Hwy. 79, Rapid City, 355-3496, Mon–Sat: 7 am – 4:45 pm

## **Packing Materials**

**iSOLD It: the easy way to sell on eBay** accepts packing boxes, bubble wrap, air bubbles and peanuts.

1730 Haines Ave. Suite A, Rapid City, 718-0646, Tue–Thu: 4 pm - 6 pm,

Fri: 10 am - 5 pm, Sat: 10 am - 3 pm

### **Pak N Mail**

1601 Mt. Rushmore Rd. #3, Rapid City, 343-0604, Mon-Fri: 8 am – 5:30 pm,

Sat: 10 am – 2 pm

**UPS Store (Store #1884)** takes old Styrofoam packing peanuts, bubble wraps and air pillows.

3213 W. Main St., Rapid City, 342-7379, Mon–Fri: 7:30 am – 6 pm, Sat: 9 am – 5 pm

**UPS Store (Store # 3912)** takes old Styrofoam packing peanuts, bubble wraps and air pillows. They also accept cardboard boxes in usable condition.

1430 Haines Ave. #108, Rapid City, 343-2211, Mon–Fri: 7:30 am – 6 pm,

Sat: 9 am – 5pm

## **Pesticides and Herbicides**

**Pennington County Extension Office** - NOT a drop-off point but will provide information per chemical.

601 E. Centre St., Rapid City, 394-2188

## **Pharmaceuticals (prescription and over-the-counter drugs)**

Return outdated or unused drugs to the place of purchase or place in a plastic container, add some water, fill with used coffee grounds or kitty litter, seal and put it in your regular garbage. (The SD Board of Pharmacy recommends these procedures.)

### **Rapid City Police Department Evidence Office**

129 St. Joseph St., Rapid City, 394-6033

## **Plastic Bags**

### **Family Thrift Centers**

1516 East St. Patrick St., Rapid City, 343-3010, 855 Omaha St., Rapid City, 343-6106,

751 Mountain View Rd., Rapid City, 399-1377, FTC Express, 3464 Sturgis Rd., Rapid

City, 343-2525

### **Lowe's Home Improvement Center**

2550 Haines Ave., Rapid City, 341-4815, Mon-Sat: 7 am - 9 pm, Sun: 8 am - 7 pm

### **Safeway**

2120 Mt. Rushmore Rd., Rapid City, 348-5125

730 Mountain View Dr., Rapid City 342-8455

## **Walmart**

1200 North LaCrosse St., Rapid City, 342-9444, Mon–Sun: 10 am - 10 pm

Use fiber/cloth shopping bags, available at many stores or free at promotional events. Keep a supply in your vehicle so you always have them available. Launder frequently.

## **Paper**

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All paper collected by waste haulers as part of household trash is composted at the Rapid City MRF.

### **Catalogs and Mail**

**A to Z Shredding** - (Call to meet the mobile unit in town)

300 Hillview Dr., Box Elder, 716-5555, Mon and Fri: 8 am - Noon

**Pacific Steel and Recycling** - Catalogues must be separated from other recyclable materials. Stapled, not glued, catalogues only.

4820 Biernbaum Ln., Rapid City, 343-0334, Mon–Fri: 8 am - 5 pm

Note: Minimize the number of catalogs you receive by contacting the companies sending them. Ask to be removed from mailing lists. Or contact:

**Catalog Choice**, [www.catalogchoice.org](http://www.catalogchoice.org) (free service)

**Direct Marketing Association's Consumer Information Site**

[www.dmchoice.org/consumerassistance.php](http://www.dmchoice.org/consumerassistance.php).

**GreenDimes**, [www.greendimes.com/greendimes/HowItWorks](http://www.greendimes.com/greendimes/HowItWorks) (offers ongoing name removal from direct marketing lists, elimination of catalogs and other services for a membership fee)

### **Corrugated Cardboard**

**The city drop-off sites**, see page 2 for locations. Please use the bins for cardboard only. CURRENT POLICY: Clean corrugated cardboard – No photo finish, waxed finish or cereal boxes. Corrugated cardboard is being bailed, shipped and sold – There is still a market for this.

**Pacific Steel and Recycling** accepts all types of cardboard but must be separated from other recyclable materials.

4820 Biernbaum Ln., Rapid City, 343-0334, Mon–Fri: 8 am - 5 pm

Note: Use cardboard between garden rows, top with compost as weed barrier.

**Dioten Engineering, Inc.** makes biodegradable landscaping tubes, filled with city's yard waste compost to prevent erosion, make terrace, etc.

7245 Tanager Dr., Rapid City, 430-7213, [www.dioten.com](http://www.dioten.com)

### **Magazines**

Before recycling or disposing of magazines, check with local doctor's and dentist's offices, thrift shops and the Rapid City Public Library to donate them.

**Ace Steel and Recycling**

2830 Eglin St., Rapid City, 342-8649, Mon–Fri: 8 am - 5 pm, Sat: 8 am - Noon

**Pacific Steel and Recycling** - Magazines must be separated from other recyclable materials.

4820 Biernbaum Ln., Rapid City, 343-0334, Mon–Fri: 8 am - 5 pm

**Rapid City MRF** - Magazines can go directly to the landfill with household trash.

5165 South Hwy. 79, Rapid City, 355-3496, Mon–Sat: 7 am – 4:45 pm

### **Newspaper**

**The city drop-off sites**, see page 2 for locations. Please use the bins at the city drop-off sites **for newspaper only**.

**Rapid City MRF** - Newspaper collected by waste haulers as part of household trash is composted

5165 South Hwy. 79, Rapid City, 355-3496, Mon–Sat: 7 am – 4:45 pm

**Pacific Steel and Recycling** - Newspaper can be mixed with magazines for recycling in large quantities.

4820 Biernbaum Ln., Rapid City, 343-0334, Mon–Fri: 8 am - 5 pm

You can also bring newspaper (newspaper only) to a newspaper collection bin located at 412 2nd St., in front of the Journal Production Facility.

**Office Paper** (reuse, shredding, recycling and composting)

**A to Z Shredding** - Shredded and/or bagged office paper only (no magazines), where it is shipped to paper recycling facility in Wisconsin. Charge: 20 cents per pound – Minimum \$10.00. Call to meet the mobile unit in town

300 Hillview Dr., Box Elder, 716-5555, Mon and Fri: 8 am – Noon

**Pacific Steel and Recycling** - Shredded and/or bagged office paper only

4820 Biernbaum Ln., Rapid City, 343-0334, Mon–Fri: 8 am - 5 pm

**Phone Books**

Throw these in your regular garbage. They WILL be composted.

## **Building Materials**

**Batteries for Power Tools**

**Ace Newkirk's Hardware (East side)**

1602 E. St. Patrick St., Rapid City, 343-9797, Mon- Fri: 7:30 am - 8 pm,

Sat: 8 am – 6 pm, Sun: 10 am – 5 pm

**Building Materials**

Donate quality used and surplus building materials to **Habitat ReStore** for retail sale; proceeds build Habitat homes. You can donate anything you will find at the ReStore, including: all things in building a house: Lumber (longer than 4'), nails, screws, tools, metals, fixtures, sinks, faucets, countertops, cabinets, appliances, any kind of electrical switch plates and covers; light fixtures, ceiling fans, carpet (slightly used or new including remnants), carpet pads, doors, windows, screens, tools, tile, molding and drywall. Also donate aluminum cans here! All non-usable donations are recycled for cash by Habitat so when in doubt, take your things!

If you have large or unusual items to donate, call to set up an appointment.

**Black Hills Habitat for Humanity Restore Outlet**

610 East Omaha St., Rapid City, 791-1880, Tue and Sat: 9 am - 3 pm,

Wed – Fri: 9 am - 6 pm, Drop off: open during store hours except Tuesdays. Habitat ReStore Warehouse at City Landfill opens during City Landfill hours.

**Paint & Paint Thinner**

**Black Hills Habitat for Humanity Restore Outlet**

610 East Omaha St., Rapid City, 791-1880, Tue and Sat: 9 am - 3 pm,

Wed – Fri: 9 am - 6 pm, Drop off: open during store hours except Tuesdays. Habitat ReStore Warehouse at City Landfill opens during City Landfill hours.

Note: Please mix oil base & latex paints with cat litter, dirt or sawdust until solid; put the dried paint in your garbage and the empty cans in recyclables.

If you have questions, call the **Rapid City MRF** at 355-3496.

## Metals

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### Aluminum

**Ace Steel and Recycling** - Their proceeds from sale of aluminum cans go to Habitat for Humanity.

2830 Eglin St., Rapid City, 342-8649, Mon–Fri: 8 am - 5 pm, Sat: 8 am – Noon

**Black Hills Habitat for Humanity Restore Outlet** – Their proceeds help to build Habitat home.

610 East Omaha St., Rapid City, 791-1880, Tue and Sat: 9 am - 3 pm,

Wed – Fri: 9 am - 6 pm, Drop off: open during store hours except Tuesdays. Habitat ReStore Warehouse at City Landfill opens during City Landfill hours.

### Scrap Metal

#### A Plus Recycling

2115 Seger Dr., Rapid City, 343-3655, Mon–Fri: 8 am – 5 pm, Sat: 8 am – Noon

**Ace Steel and Recycling** takes aluminum, iron, brass, copper, lead, die cast, insulated wire, old Christmas lights, old cars, etc.

2830 Eglin St., Rapid City, 342-8649, Mon-Fri: 8 am - 5 pm, Sat: 8 am – Noon

**Pacific Steel and Recycling** takes small and large quantities of scrap metal and pays by the pound.

4820 Biernbaum Ln., Rapid City, 343-0334, Mon–Fri: 8 am - 5 pm

**Rapid City MRF** doesn't pay/charge for, scrap metals, and will accept any.

5165 South Hwy. 79, Rapid City, 355-3496, Mon–Sat: 7 am – 4:45 pm

## Miscellaneous Wastes

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### Biohazard Wastes

The State Health Dept. has no regulations concerning disposal of a private individual's or family's used needles syringes, lancets, blood, human waste or other biohazardous materials resulting from the care of persons in the home. To protect workers at the Rapid City Materials Recycling Facility, people are asked to call RC MRF for Information about how to safely arrange for pickup of these items by the Rapid City solid waste management service. Call Rapid City MRF at 355-3496 to ask about SHARPS disposal from your home.

Note: The Rapid City MRF does not yet have any provision for disposing of mercury-containing items.

### Pallets

**Rapid City MRF** recycles pallets, composting them along with other yard waste. They charge \$20/ton to take them.

5165 South Hwy. 79, Rapid City, 355-3496, Mon–Sat: 7 am – 4:45 pm

### Propane Tanks

**AmeriGas** accepts propane tanks anytime.

1305 E. Centre St., Rapid City, 342-2626, Mon-Sat: 9 am - 5 pm

**Rapid City MRF** also takes propane cylinders, must be left at the scale.

5165 South Hwy. 79, Rapid City, 355-3496, Mon-Sat: 7 am - 4:45 pm

### Weapons

**Rapid City Department Evidence Office**

129 St. Joseph St., Rapid City, 394-6033

### Yard and Household Organic Waste

Recycle your organic waste from house and yard by composting.

**Dioten Engineering** sells biodegradable tubes filled with MRF yard waste compost for plantings and erosion control.

7245 Tanager Dr., Rapid City, 430-7213

## ***Further Resources***

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### **BAN:**

It is the world's only organization focused on confronting the global environmental injustice and economic inefficiency of toxic trade (toxic wastes, products and technologies) and its devastating impacts.

<http://rethink.ebay.com/odcs/custom.htm?template=membersolutions#industry>.

**Rapid City Code Enforcement:** 355-3465

### **Rapid City Landfill**

<http://www.rcgov.org/Public-Works/landfill.html>

### **The Rethink Initiative:**

This organization brings together industry, government, environmental and charitable groups to deal with the challenge of e-waste.

<http://www.earth911.org/locator/ebay.html>.

### **South Dakota Solid Waste Management Association (SDSWMA):**

This organization promotes environmentally sound waste management.

<http://www.sdswwa.org/links.htm>.

### **Women's Voices for the Earth (WVE):**

This organization is a national environmental health and justice organization working to reduce environmental toxics and to increase women's participation in environmental decision-making. There are lots of practical hints at:

<http://www.womenandenvironment.org/>

Finally, when you recycle, do the research needed to keep children and other workers in other parts of the world safe. 50 to 80% of recycled electronics end up in China, India and developing nations in Africa where they are taken apart improperly by untrained workers without protective equipment. These workers and their families can be exposed to toxic substances that also end up in neighboring waterways. Unfortunately, the United States is the only developed country that has refused to ratify the 1994 Basel Convention banning the export of hazardous materials from wealthy countries to poor ones. Read about it at [http://news.nationalgeographic.com/news/2005/11/1108\\_051108\\_electronic\\_waste.html](http://news.nationalgeographic.com/news/2005/11/1108_051108_electronic_waste.html). The article's title is, "Toxic 'E-Waste' Gets Cached in Poor Nations, Report Says," *National Geographic News*, November 8, 2005.

## ***Index of Recyclers***

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**A Plus Recycling** - Scrap metal, Vehicles

**A to Z Shredding, Inc.** - Catalogs and mail, Office Paper

**Ace Newkirk's Hardware (Eastside)** - Batteries for power tools

**Ace Steel and Recycling, Inc.** - All appliances (except Freon-bearing appliances), Aluminum, Car batteries, Magazines, Scrap metal

**Affordable Computing Solutions, Inc.** - Computers

**Aggressive Auto and Salvage** - Vehicles (no campers)

**Alan's Auto Recycling, Inc.** - Vehicles (no campers)

**AmeriGas** - Propane Tanks

**Batteries Plus** - Car batteries, Household batteries  
**Best Buy** - Cell phones, Computers, Household batteries, Printer ink cartridges  
**Black Hills Habitat for Humanity Restore Outlet** - Aluminum, Building materials, Cans of paint, Usable & non-usable major appliances (no small appliances)  
**Boys' Club** - see "**Rapid City Club for Boys Thrift Store**"  
**Chris Supply, Co.** - Household batteries  
**Computer Village** - Computer  
**Cornerstone Thrift Store** - Clothing/Household goods, Small usable appliances  
**Dakota Laser Tech** - Laser printer toner cartridges  
**Family Thrift Stores** - Plastic bags  
**Goodwill Industries Store** - Clothing/Household goods, Computers, Small usable appliances  
**Green Wizard Technology** - Computers  
**Home Technology Services** - Computers  
**iSOLD It-** Packing materials  
**Interstate Batteries** - Car batteries, Household batteries  
**K&D Appliance Service, Inc.** – Freon removal and certification  
**Karl's TV and Appliance** – Freon removal and certification  
**Lighting Maintenance, Co. (Solar Sound, Corp.)** - Fluorescent light bulbs (including compact fluorescents (CFLs))  
**Lions International** - Eyeglasses  
**Lowes Home Improvement Center** - Fluorescent light bulbs (including compact fluorescents (CFLs)), Household batteries, Plastic bags  
**Micro Solutions, Inc.** - Computers  
**Mommy's Closet** - Infants and toddlers clothing and baby items  
**New Deal Tire** - Tires, all sizes  
**Office Depot** - Cell phones, Computers, Printer ink cartridges  
**O'Reilly's Auto Parts** - Waste oil, automobile (up to 5 gallons)  
**Pacific Steel and Recycling, Inc.** - All appliances (except Freon-bearing appliances), Catalogs and Mail, Magazines, Corrugated cardboard, Newspaper, Office paper, Scrap metal  
**Pak N Mail** - Packing materials  
**Pennington County Extension Office** - Pesticides and Herbicides (NOT a drop-off point but will provide information per chemical.)  
**Rapid City Club for Boys Thrift Store** - Clothing/Household goods  
**Rapid City MRF** - All appliances (except Freon-bearing appliances), Corrugated cardboard, Gasoline (up to 5 gallons), Household chemicals, Magazines, Newspaper, Pallets, Propane Tanks, Tires, Scrap metal, Sharps (Please call for appointment)  
**Rapid City Police Department Evidence Office** - Pharmaceuticals (Prescription and over-the-counter drugs), Weapons  
**Runnings Farm & Fleet** - Car batteries  
**Safeway Stores** - Plastic bags  
**Salvation Army Thrift Store** - Clothing/Household goods  
**South Dakota Department of Health** - Biohazardous materials  
**Tri-State Recycling Services, Inc.** - Antifreeze, Gasoline (quantities larger than 5 gallons)  
**UPS Store** - Packing materials  
**Walmart** - Plastic bags, Waste oil, automotive (up to 5 gallons)  
**WAVI – Working Against Violence** - Cell phones

# INTERESTED IN REDUCE/REUSE/RECYCLE? ENERGY SAVING?

Here are several websites that provide excellent information:  
To check out Rapid City's recycling and composting programs, go to [www.rcgov.org](http://www.rcgov.org). Go to "Department" Go to "Public Works" and click on "Solid Waste/MRF".

To check out how reduce/reuse/recycle can affect climate change, go to:  
[www.stoptrashingthecollegeclimate.org](http://www.stoptrashingthecollegeclimate.org)  
<http://www.wecansolveit.org>  
<http://www.climatecrisis.net>  
[www.mnn.com](http://www.mnn.com) (Mother Nature Network- Environmental news and information)  
[www.plasticbagbanreport.com](http://www.plasticbagbanreport.com) (The countries and U.S. states that have banned the use of plastic bags- great information and links to other sites)

For information on natural lawn care, go to:  
[www.safelawns.org](http://www.safelawns.org)

For Compost for renewable soil: ¼ of landfill trash (fruit&vegetables, egg shells, coffee ground, tea bags, etc.) can be composted at home by stacking recyclable tires into a composting tower. Learn how at  
[www.blackhillsgarden.com](http://www.blackhillsgarden.com)

To reduce the amount of junk mail you receive, go to:  
[www.donotmail.org](http://www.donotmail.org).

An informative western S.D. website on the emerging local foods movement:  
[www.dakotalocalfoodnetwork.com](http://www.dakotalocalfoodnetwork.com)

If you would like to calculate your environmental footprint for carbon or for water usage, go to:

<http://www.carbonfootprint.com/calculator.aspx>  
<http://environment.nationalgeographic.com/environment/freshwater/water-footprint-calculator/>

Want to know more about recycling plastic bags? Go to:  
[www.plasticbagrecycling.org](http://www.plasticbagrecycling.org)

Regular updates will be made to the Rapid City website with current recycling information. This booklet may be downloaded and printed on the following websites:

**City of Rapid City Solid Waste Dept.** [www.rcgov.org/Public-Works/solid-waste.html](http://www.rcgov.org/Public-Works/solid-waste.html), Click on "South Dakota Democracy in Action Recycling in Rapid City – How, What and Where"

**South Dakota Democracy in Action**, [www.sddia.org](http://www.sddia.org), Click on "What We Advocate". Click on "Recycling in Rapid City – How, What & Where"

**Please share this information widely.**

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is a grassroots movement of progressive women  
who advocate for:

- The empowerment of women
- Protection of civil liberties
- Transparent and open government
- Civil public policy dialogue
- Native justice and racial reconciliation
- Responsible environmental stewardship
- Equal economic opportunity
- Access to affordable health care
- Strong public schools and higher education
- Advancement of the arts
- Global cooperation and peace

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