

Recycling Centers

Recycling centers are located in areas such as supermarket parking lots so customers have a convenient place to recycle beverage containers and receive cash. Retailers selling beverage containers and located in "convenience zones" are required to establish a certified recycling center. Additional information about recycling centers may be found at

www.calrecycle.ca.gov/BevContainer/
Or call **1-800-RECYCLE**



Reporting Fraudulent Recycling Activities

Illegal or suspicious beverage container recycling activity can be reported on the toll-free hotline:

1-866-CANLOAD (1-866-226-5623)

Suspicious recycling activities:

- Importing beverage containers from outside California
- Underpayment practices at recycling centers

Recycled Content Products

CalRecycle encourages consumers to buy recycled content products made from recycled aluminum cans, and glass and plastic bottles, and other recycled materials. Visit

www.calrecycle.ca.gov/BuyRecycled/
for more information.

Some of the products available:

Clothing: hats, t-shirts, scarves

Home supplies: roofing, flooring, countertops, garden supplies, lumber

Gift items: dinnerware, baby blankets, candleholders, jewelry



For questions about other recycling programs contact the **Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery**
Web site at www.calrecycle.ca.gov/

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The Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery's Division of Recycling (DOR) administers the California Beverage Container Recycling and Litter Reduction Act of 1986. The goal is to achieve an 80 percent recycling rate for California Refund Value (CRV) containers. This is accomplished through programs that encourage consumers to recycle aluminum, glass and plastic beverage containers.

Consumers/Retailers California Refund Value

Californians bought nearly 21 billion CRV beverages in 2009 and more than 17.2 billion of those beverage containers were recycled. Consumers pay CRV when they buy beverages (such as soft drinks, water, beer, sports drinks, and juices) from retailers. Bottles and cans that are labeled with "CA CRV" or "CA CASH REFUND" can be recycled for cash at any of California's approximately 2,300 privately owned certified recycling centers.

Consumers can locate nearby recycling centers by calling **1-800-RECYCLE** or visiting www.bottlesandcans.com. Click on "Where to recycle" and type in a zip code.

How much is the CRV?

- 5¢ for containers less than 24 ounces
- 10¢ for containers 24 ounces and larger

Recycling beverage containers saves energy and natural resources, and extends the life of California's landfills.



Public Outreach

CalRecycle provides educational outreach materials and programs designed to promote increased beverage container recycling. CalRecycle also provides grant funding and technical assistance to consumers, beverage retailers, certified recycling centers, local government, nonprofits and businesses.



Technical Assistance and Resources

Assistance is available to help schools, offices, gyms and other venues find solutions to recycling challenges and create opportunities for beverage container collection.

Available resources include:

- Technical assistance
- Grants and grant writing tips
- List of vendors for recycling bins and recycled content products
- Recycling education packets for schools and teachers
- Recycling outreach for schools and events
- FREE recycling starter kits, bin labels, and posters.

For more information on Technical Assistance and Resources contact **1-800-RECYCLE**



Grant Programs

CalRecycle offers grants:

- **Beverage Container Recycling Grants:**
Help create convenient recycling opportunities in your community.
- **Recycling Market Development and Expansion Grants:**
Help to develop new and expanded uses for recycled bottles and cans and improve supplies and quality of recycled materials used in manufacturing.

For more information on these grant programs contact **1-800-RECYCLE**

