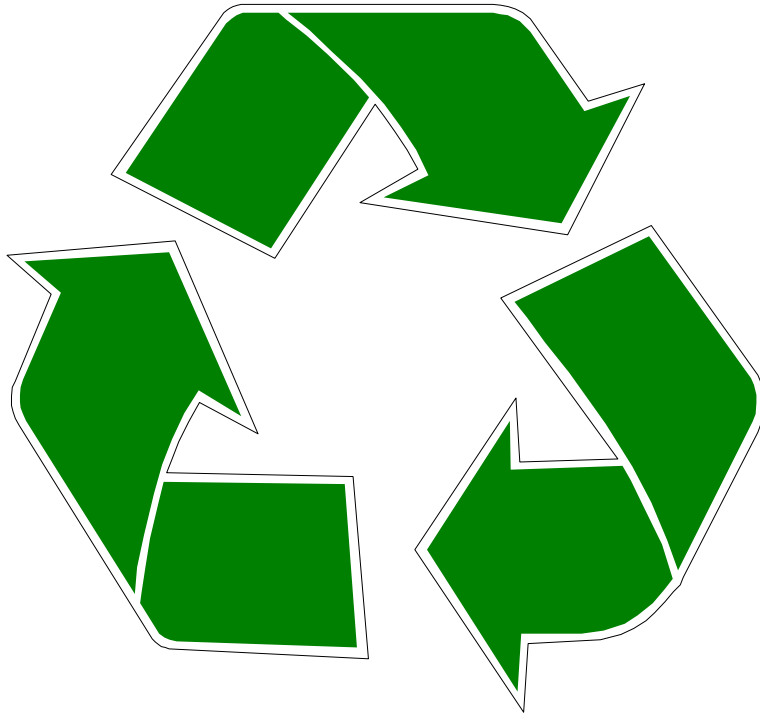


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## Fundraising Project



*General Information*

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Recycling is both environmentally friendly and profitable for youth ministries. Aluminum cans are the most popular and often-valuable item you can recycle. The amount you receive per pound varies throughout the year in many places but is always worthwhile.

Cans are not the only item we can recycle successfully. In some areas there are organizations that will provide, free of charge, dumpsters for groups who want to recycle newspaper. Newspapers are not as valuable as cans by the pound, but they are more common in households and weigh more individually. In addition to the money you will earn with this effort it is a good community relations act. Recycling old cellular phones, toner cartridges, and inkjet cartridges, is another valuable recycling effort. You can earn one dollar per item in this category, potentially more revenue than cans. More information about inkjet recycling is available at [www.greenofficerecycling.com](http://www.greenofficerecycling.com), an organization dedicated to the effort.

These are only some of what you can recycle. Some companies in construction and developments do not recycle copper or other valuable excess and waste items. You can seek out many kinds of material for recycling and sell them at many recycling centers in any large city.

Most locations today require the tax id information of your non-profit organization to recycle large amounts of material. This is because theft of recyclable material has become more common than ever and some areas have passed laws requiring the means to track those who recycle large quantities of commercial recyclables. Before you take a load of copper or commercial aluminum to the recycler you will want to be sure that you have your organizations information on hand.

You will want to make up flyers to pass out to your church members and members of your community. The more people know about your project, the more potential you have for recycling revenue. You will also want to provide designated areas for people to drop off items. Make sure these areas are convenient for people to access and that they are as secure as possible from weather, theft, and vandalism.

If you have any questions or comments about recycling, please contact us at:

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