




Recycling report 12/2024 & 1/2025

- Developed 5 holiday recycling tip flyers for internal use and social media
- Began the Konica Minolta Clean Planet program recycling toner cartridges; to date 21 cartridges have been recycled.
- Research aluminum cups and plastic cups recyclability/cost/etc.
- Plogging on Fridays to network and spread the word.
- Working with Waste Management identifying contaminated recycling at businesses. Perform site visits to observe and educate on best recycling practices.
- Contacting e-bike rental facilities- educating commercial businesses on how to recycle e-bike batteries. Giving them information on programs they can join. Hoping to get at least one business to create a local drop-off facility for lithium-ion battery recycling.
- Creating educational content for social media (see below)
- Creating signage for City Hall recycling (see below)
- Participating in composting program at Botanical Gardens
- Meeting with Bigbelly to gather information about compacting trash receptacles.
- Submitted revisions for the recycling and solid waste portions of special events form to initiate better practices.
- Met with Publix sustainability group to see the impact they have on recycling in Key West.
- Developing a “where to” recycling list for things that can’t go in the blue cart (in progress)
- Send in-house recycling survey ending 1/31
- Begin research on presentation for Commission in April

What does this  symbol really mean?

MYTH →  = RECYCLABLE PLASTIC
FACT → most plastics are NOT readily recyclable

Plastic products have a resin identification code stamped on the bottom of the container. It strictly identifies the type of plastic; it doesn't address the recyclability of the container.

The City of Key West recycles  &  plastics **ONLY**



Call
to
action

LOOK BEFORE YOU BUY

Questions? Call- City of Key West Recycling Coordinator 305-809-3967 **RETHINK RECYCLING**

Rethink Recycling

Step 1-Reduce your use

Choose products wisely-Buy reusable instead of disposable

Step 2-Recycle deliberately

Well sorted and clean material is the key to successful recycling

Step 3-Consider the life cycle of the things you buy and the things you own.

Reuse/Repurpose/Recycle/Rethink

I believe we can make a difference!

Do you?

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Help stop contaminated recycle bins



Most Plastic to-go cups
are not recyclable
in our program.
Only clean, empty
cups stamped #1



**Make the switch to a
reusable/refillable cup!**

Paper Towels

Used paper towels
are not recyclable,
because they are
usually wet and
contaminated.



Place them in the trash bin