

# ELECTRONICS

It is mandated by the State of Illinois that electronic waste (e-waste) must be diverted from the landfill. All electronic waste, except for ink/toner cartridges (process described above), should be sent to Surplus Property: <https://property-control.siu.edu/surplus/index.php>

# LANDFILL

Common items that cannot currently be recycled include:

- Uneaten food
- Coffee cups/pods
- Chip bags
- Soda cups (Subway, etc.)
- Food wrappers (candy wrappers, granola bar wrappers, etc.)
- Styrofoam



Recycle foil  
Throw cup  
away.

# DID YOU KNOW?

SIU composts food waste from University Housing dining halls. Someday, we hope to collect food waste more widely on campus. The food waste is taken to SIU's Forced Aeration Compost Facility, where it is mixed with landscaping and farm waste and turned into compost.

The most up-to-date information can be found on the sustainability website, here:

<http://sustainability.siu.edu/recycle>



Save this guide  
for future reference!

# RECYCLING AT SIU CARBONDALE

A QUICK GUIDE

# MIXED RECYCLING

Mixed Recycling includes:

- all forms of unbroken **GLASS**
- all **METAL**, such as tin and aluminum cans and foil
- **PLASTIC** bottles marked with a plastic recycling number 1-2 within a three-arrowed triangle. **NOTE:** this may change, depending on the worldwide recycling markets. Please see the SIU recycling website for the most up-to-date information.



**NOTE:** Any bin with a glass, metal or plastic label is considered "Mixed Recycling" and any of the above can be placed there.

**NOTE** If you work in an office with just one recycling bin, it is for paper. Your mixed recycling should be carried to a centralized location.

# PAPER RECYCLING

Paper Recycling includes any paper. All types of paper can be placed into any **PAPER** recycling bin, regardless of labels such as "newspaper" or "white paper". It all gets mixed together anyway.

Examples of paper include:



- white paper
- phone books
- colored paper
- thin cardboard, such as cereal boxes
- newspaper
- glossy paper, such as magazines
- shredded paper (should be in its own plastic bag)

All paper must be **clean**. If paper has been contaminated with liquid or grease, it cannot be recycled and should be put in the landfill bin. No glass, metal, plastic, etc. can be commingled with the paper.

# CORRUGATED CARDBOARD

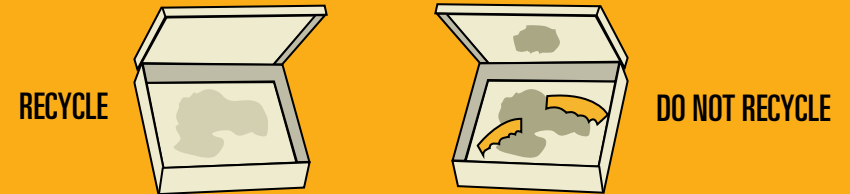
Corrugated cardboard can be recycled within buildings.

Please help our campus team members and **break down boxes until they are flat**.

- Place the flattened boxes next to the paper recycling bin.
- Cardboard with wax (i.e. fruit and vegetable boxes) cannot be recycled and should be put in the landfill bins.

**We can even recycle pizza boxes!**

Please remove all inserts and food. It is okay if there's some grease in the boxes.



# INK/TONER CARTRIDGES

All **FULL** and **EMPTY** ink and toner cartridges are processed by the Sustainability Office and should be sent to MC 4418, or delivered to the Sustainability Hub, located on the first floor of the Student Center.

- All **FULL** cartridges should be **labeled "FULL: TO SHARE."** These are available for free, for reallocation to other departments through the program described here:  
<https://sustainability.siu.edu/participate/toner-and-ink-sharing-program.php>
- All **EMPTY** cartridges should be **labeled "EMPTY: RECYCLE."** These are re-manufactured or recycled through a vendor return program.
- Program details:  
<https://sustainability.siu.edu/participate/recycling-program/ink-cartridge.php>
- Note: the Sustainability Office cannot accept toner tubes or bottles. Those should be returned by departments to the contracted copy machine company at time of service.