



MAINE RECYCLES WEEK

November 14-18, 2022

A week-long celebration of waste reduction and sustainability in Maine!



MaineRecycles.org



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Are you Good to Maine?

Are you an avid recycler? Do you compost all of your food scraps? Donate to reuse stores? Repair everything again and again before you throw it in the bin?

Maine Recycles Week is a statewide celebration of waste reduction and sustainability from Nov 14 -18, 2022 and you choose how to celebrate!

LEARN ABOUT WASTE DIVERSION!

Take/organize a tour of your local recycling facility!

Hold a poster contest on waste reduction!

Hold an "upcycling competition" at a local school!

Conduct a public waste audit at Town facility, a school, or other location!

HOLD OR ATTEND A FUN EVENT!

Host a recycling-focused Open House or event at your school, business, or community center!

Hold a composting workshop!

Host a "waste trivia" social night!

Organize a "buy recycled" sale or fair event!

Hold a cleanup event or virtual "plogging" competition!

Organize an event to build awareness and give away recycling or compost bins!

SPREAD THE WORD!

Write an op ed about waste reduction and/or sustainability!

Ask businesses in your community to examine the recyclability of their items!

LET'S TALK POLICY...

Consider an ordinance in your town to eliminate single-use items such as plastic straws!

Look at your organization's procurement policies on buying items made from post-consumer content!

Does your town have a solid waste / recycling committee? Join it! If not, look into starting one!

Work with elected officials to declare November 14 - 18 Maine Recycles Week in your town!

...AND PRACTICE!

Visit a repair club or get something fixed instead of buying a new one!

Check out a refill shop to reduce your use of packaging!

Use reusable tote bags!

Promote discounts for reusable items like travel mugs or stainless steel straws!

Investigate paperless options at your business for paystubs, bills, and communications!

Interested in any of these suggestions or others?

Want us to include your work on the Maine Recycles website & social media?

Contact us at info@mainerecycles.org



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2022 MAINE RECYCLES WEEK



REFUSE



REDUCE



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REPAIR



PROMOTE RECYCLED CONTENT



FOOD RESCUE & RECOVERY



USE SUSTAINABLE PACKAGING

**Be
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