

As you may already know, recycling is only one of the ways you can help reduce waste and in turn help the environment. Recycling also helps keep our streams and rivers clean by reducing the potential for stormwater contact.

Aluminum recycling saves resources and protects the environment. Recycling 6 aluminum cans saves enough energy to power the average home for 1 hour. If every American recycled just one more can per week, we could boost recycling rates in the U.S. from 57% to 75%. Forty-one (41) recycled cans equal the energy equivalent of 1 gallon of gas.

Recycling batteries and electronics saves the environment with less use of raw materials and energy.

In today's world, automobiles are an important and necessary part of everyday life. Most automobiles require motor oil and other fluids like transmission and brake fluid to run properly. According to the U.S. EPA, used motor oil is any petroleum-based or synthetic oil that has been used for vehicle lubrication. As a result of normal use, motor oil becomes contaminated with various impurities such as dirt, water, chemicals or metals from your engine.

Proper recycling will ensure that used motor oil does not make its way into local surface and groundwater resources. Should oil get into the environment, it can quickly pollute large amounts of water.

Used motor oil is also a valuable energy resource. A large portion of the used motor oil collected is reprocessed into fuel that is burned in furnaces, turbines, power plants and manufacturing facilities to provide heat and electricity. To put this into perspective, two gallons of used motor oil can generate enough electricity to:

- Power the average home for one day
- Cook 48 meals in a microwave oven
- Blow-dry a person's hair at least 216 times
- Vacuum a house for 15 months
- Watch television for 7 ½ days straight! (180 hours)

Below are sites that accept recycling material. For a more complete list, visit **www.earth911.com**

Some used motor oil recycling sites in Macon-Bibb County are:

Wal-Mart Store 5955 Zebulon Road MACON, GA 31201 Phone: (478) 471-9150 Days/Hours: Please call for hours.

1401 Gray Highway MACON, GA 31211 Phone: (478) 745-3999 Days/Hours: Please call for hours.

Web Link: http://www.walmart.com Materials Collected / Services Offered: Auto: Transmission Fluid, Used Motor Oil Plastic: Plastic Bags

Pep Boys 1230 Eisenhower Parkway MACON, GA 31206 Phone: (478) 781-4773 Days/Hours: Mon. to Fri. 8am to 9pm, Sat. 8am to 8pm, and Sun. 9am to 6pm

Web Link: http://www.pepboys.com Materials Collected / Services Offered: Auto: Antifreeze, Car Batteries, Transmission Fluid, Used Motor Oil, Used Oil Filters, Used Tires

Advance Auto Parts 3220 Mercer University Drive MACON, GA 31204 Phone: (478) 477-4388 Days/Hours: Mon. to Sat. 7:30am to 9pm and Sun. 9am to 9pm

Web Link: http://www.advanceautoparts.com Materials Collected / Services Offered: Auto: Used Motor Oil

Advance Auto Parts 636 Shurling Drive MACON, GA 31211 Phone: (478) 742-2422 Days/Hours: Mon. to Sat. 7:30am to 9pm and Sun. 9am to 9pm

3385 Pio Nona Avenue MACON, GA 31206 Phone: (478) 785-0777 Days/Hours: Mon. to Sat. 7:30am to 9pm and Sun. 9am to 9pm

Web Link: http://www.advanceautoparts.com Materials Collected / Services Offered: Auto: Car Batteries, Used Motor Oil

AutoZone

905 Shruling Drive MACON, GA 31211 Phone: (478) 742-5375 Days/Hours: Sun. to Thr. 8am to 9pm and Fri. to Sat. 8am to 10:30pm

Materials Collected / Services Offered: Auto: Transmission Fluid, Used Motor Oil

AutoZone

3185 Vineville Avenue MACON, GA 31204 Phone: (478) 474-7850 Days/Hours: Mon. to Sat. 8am to 9pm and Sun. 9am to 7pm

Materials Collected / Services Offered: Auto: Used Motor Oil

AutoZone

2215 Pio Nono Ave Macon, GA 31206 Phone: (478) 781-5611 Auto: Used Motor Oil

O'Reilly Auto Parts 928 Gray Hwy Macon, GA 31211 Phone: (478) 745-6936 Auto: Used Motor Oil

O'Reilly Auto Part 2341 Pio Nono Ave Macon, GA 31206 Phone: (478) 781-2903 Auto: Used Motor Oil

Other Recycling Centers:

Desktop Computers LCD Computer Monitors Computer Donation Computer Resellers

(478) 757-9299 3555 Mercer University Drive, Suite 101-3 Macon, GA 31204

Cell Phones #2 Plastic Bags #4 Plastic Bags Compact Fluorescent Lightbulbs NiCad Batteries Plastic Plant Materials Rechargeable Batteries

Lowe's (478) 785-0700 3190 Macon Tech Dr Macon, GA 31206

Cell Phones Car Batteries Compact Fluorescent Lightbulbs Lead-Acid Batteries (Non-Automotive) NiCad Batteries Rechargeable Batteries

Home Depot (478) 477-0266 4635 Presidential Pkwy Macon, GA 31206

Cell Phone Accessories Cell Phones Computer Peripherals CRT Computer Monitors Desktop Computers Digital Cameras GPS Systems +11 more

Staples (478) 475-0115 4658 Presidential Pkwy Macon, GA 31206

Audio Equipment Cables Cell Phone Accessories Cell Phones Compact Discs Computer Peripherals CRT Computer Monitors +24 more

Best Buy (478) 471-0900 4676 Presidential Pkwy Macon, GA 31206

Cell Phones Inkjet Cartridges MP3 Players #2 Plastic Bags #4 Plastic Bags **Target** (478) 405-0273 4685 Presidential Pkwy

A685 Presidential Pkwy Macon, GA 31206 Aerosol Cans, Aluminum Beverage Cans, Aluminum Foil, Auto Bodies, Auto Parts, Bi-Metal Cans, Bicycles, Ferrous Metals, Large Appliances, Lawn and Garden Equipment, Metal Clothes Hangers, Nonferrous Metals, Pipe, Propane Tanks, Scrap Metal, Small Appliances, Tin or Steel Cans

Peacock's Recycling 478) 742-8821 4040 Lazy Ln Macon, GA 31217

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