



City of Vineland

Clean Communities
ADOPT-A-SPOT PROGRAMS

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What is Precycling?

Precycling is **preventing waste** before it happens.

By reducing, reusing and buying consciously, we can minimize the amount of waste we create, conserve resources and save money.

Top 3 Precycle Tips:

- Avoid excess packaging
- Buy items that will last
- Reuse as much as you can

Precycling is thinking about the **products** you buy and the **packaging** they come in. Here are more easy Precycling tips you can follow every day.

At School:

- Use both sides of your paper
- Save scraps to use in making crafts
- Bring a "waste less" lunch using reusable containers in a reusable lunch bag
- Set up a "reuse centre" for binders, folders, report covers and other supplies

At Home:

- Bring your own bag to the store when shopping instead of using paper bags
- Use rechargeable batteries
- Use cloth instead of paper towels
- Use glasses, coffee mugs and regular plates rather than disposable paper plates and cups
- Don't use Styrofoam cups or plates. They are the most difficult to break down in the landfill and contain polystyrene.
- Donate clothing, toys and appliances to charities and non-profit organizations (in good condition)
- Repair broken items
- Use glass food jars or plastic containers for storage
- Save used brown paper bags, twist ties, plastic food bags, foam packing chips, gift wrap, holiday cards for reuse
- Donate used magazines and books to the doctor's office, seniors' homes or the local library before recycling them