

UC DAVIS

Recyclemania 2009

"YOU MUST BE THE CHANGE YOU WISH TO SEE IN THE WORLD."
-MAHATMA GANDHI

DEAR VOLUNTEERS:

Welcome to the fifth week of the competition! UC Davis is currently ranked 161st in the *Grand Champion* Category with a 16.9% diversion rate.

Our ranking went up by a total of 9 places!

The theme for this week is **recycle**. When we recycle items we divert waste from landfills!

R4 RECYCLING MISSION:

The R4 Recycling Program is committed to the delivery of effective, courteous, innovative, and responsive waste reduction and recycling services to the UC Davis Campus. We serve to establish a supportive and informational role to facilitate recycling between the various campus units, other universities and colleges and local, state, and federal agencies to reach current and future goals. In addition, the R4 Program prepares students to integrate the ideas and practices of waste management with the environmental foundation they receive on campus.

FUN FACTS:

Paper and paperboard products make up the largest component of the nation's municipal solid waste stream. They accounted for 33% of that stream (more than 83 million tons generated in 2007). The average office worker generates more than 150 pounds of recyclable paper each year and only 48% of that paper is actually recycled.



RecycleMania isn't only about recycling, it's also about reducing the amount of waste you produce.

<http://www.recyclemania.org/>

CHALLENGE OF THE WEEK

RECYCLE: It's spring cleaning time!

The end of the quarter is coming so start your spring cleaning EARLY to help us move up on our rankings. Call the Facilities Management Service Call Center at 752-1655 for office cleanout carts to help UC Davis win RecycleMania!



THIS WEEK'S THEME: RECYCLE

Get your recycle on
this week and
every week!

Pipette Box Recycling:

UC Davis now recycles #5 pipette tip boxes. A partnership with Waste Management and Fischer Scientific allows campus laboratories to request a special receptacle from R4 Recycling in order to recycle their pipette boxes (and inserts). Please call the Facilities Service Call Center at 752-1655 for your own pipette box receptacle and start recycling TODAY!

<http://r4.ucdavis.edu/programs/pipette.php>

Pipette Tip Box



Recycling ONLY



What does it mean to recycle?

Recycling means to reuse again after processing. It prevents materials from being placed into landfills when they can be changed into something that is usable.

Recyclable Items at UC Davis:

- **glass** Any glass bottle. NO Pyrex glass or mirrors!
- **metal**
- **#1 & #2 plastics** Uncap bottles before placing them in the bins. Number 3-7 plastics are not recyclable at UC Davis, but may be through your city's recycling program.
- **paper** Cardboard can be recycled in tan dumpsters located on campus. Paperboard is NOT cardboard. Paperboard is used for cereal boxes, snack boxes, etc. and is placed in the mixed paper bin.

Hard-to-recycle Items:

- **e-waste** Most electronic waste can be placed into the multibins found around campus (<http://r4.ucdavis.edu/programs/ewaste/multibin.php>)
- **circuit boards** Did you know that it is illegal to throw anything with a circuit board into the trash? Cell phones, calculators, CD players, etc. can be placed into multibins under the electronics label.
- **CFL lightbulbs** Please make sure you recycle them - they cannot be thrown out in the trash. Please check the R4 website.

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