

# Holiday Recycling Help for Our Community

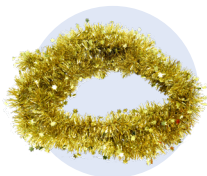
Visit [www.oregonmetro.gov/findarecycler](http://www.oregonmetro.gov/findarecycler) to learn what can be reused and recycled



- Find a drop-off yard debris recycling center or nearby tree collection event.



- Save foam packing peanuts to use again or check with packaging stores who may reuse them; otherwise they go in the garbage.



- If you can't reuse your tinsel strands ("icicles"), these go in the garbage.



- Only plastic bottles and tubs go into your community's recycling. Ask Metro if other plastic packaging and bags can be recycled at a drop off; otherwise, it's trash.



- You can save gift wrap for use next year, or it can go in your home recycling if it isn't foil or plasticized.



- String lights are recycled for the copper in the wires - you can drop them off at a recycling depot or Metro's transfer stations — free of charge.



- Reuse bows and ribbons; otherwise they go in the garbage.



- Electronics (televisions, computers, monitors and other items) don't go in the trash or the recycling. If they are still in good working order, look for donation options. Interested in finding a collection site near you? Contact Oregon E-Cycles at 1-888-5-ECYCLE (1-888-532-9253) or [www.oregonecycle.org](http://www.oregonecycle.org).

## This holiday season, cut back on the waste and the expenses!

- Give experiences such as concert tickets, a dinner out, or items that aren't packaged and will last, like plants.
- Shop for one-of-a-kind items at vintage and resale stores. Check out [www.resourcefulpdx.com](http://www.resourcefulpdx.com) for ideas, tips and a map of community-based nonprofit organizations that will help you reuse, repair and share tools, building or art supplies, household goods and other materials.
- Repair your fixable items like small appliances, bikes and garments at community events sponsored by [RepairPDX.org](http://RepairPDX.org).



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