

DID YOU KNOW?

The average person creates almost five pounds of trash per day, and in 2018, American consumers created 146.2 million tons of trash that ended up in landfills.

The Recycling Partnership

It takes 1,000 years for a plastic bag to degrade in a landfill.

The Center for Biological Diversity

If you throw away your aluminum cans, they can stay in that can form for up to 500 years or more – so recycling is the way to go.

Conserve Energy Future

Enough plastic is thrown away each year to circle the earth four times.

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Americans will use over 2 and a half million plastic bottles every thirty minutes, and most of them are simply thrown away.

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More than 28 billion glass bottles and jars go to landfills every year. That's enough to fill two Empire State Buildings every three weeks.

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A modern glass bottle would take 4,000 years or more to decompose — and even longer if it's in the landfill.

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The average person generates 4.4 pounds of solid waste every day.

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About 11 million tons of textiles end up in US landfills each year — an average of about 70 pounds per person.

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ONE supermarket goes through 60,500,000 paper bags per year. Bring a reusable bag instead!

Sustainability at Georgetown University

Say no to bags when you go shopping! A plastic bag is used for an average of 12 minutes but will remain in the environment for 1,000 years before it decomposes.

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500,000 trees are cut down to produce Sunday newspapers each week. If you were to recycle your copy of the Sunday edition of the New York Times, you alone could save 75,000 trees. And if we all recycled all our newspapers, we could save about 250,000,000 trees each year.

Eco Friendly Habits

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