

## Recycling Pro Tips

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### Wrapping Paper

Newspaper and kraft paper are easy to recycle. Gift wrap with metallic ink, foil or glitter is considered a landfill item.

### Naughty List

- Glitter, foil or velvet
- Artificial trees and decorations
- Styrofoam
- Plastic utensils
- Bows and ribbon
- Tissue paper
- Toys



### Packaging

Styrofoam is also a landfill item. Instead, use crinkled up paper or bubble wrap to protect your fragile gifts. Packing peanuts in good condition are accepted at many shipping stores.



### Greeting Cards

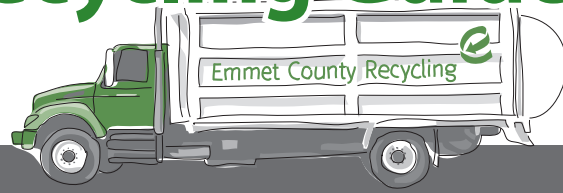
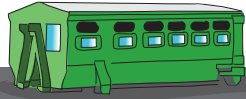
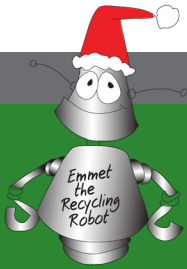
Skip the glitz - these are not recycleable. Instead, use recycled paper for your cards. Receive a sparkly card? Reuse it as a gift tag or frame it as holiday decor.

### Decorations

Artificial holiday decorations are not recycleable. Instead of placing them in the garbage, donate gently used items to your local resale shop or host a holiday decor swap with your coworkers.



HAPPY HOLIDAYS



## Curbside & Drop Site Recycling

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### Paper Boxes & Bags

- Bubble wrap & air pillows (pop first!)
- Cardboard boxes
- Catalogs
- Gift boxes
- Greeting cards (no glitter or foil)
- Paper envelopes
- Plastic envelopes (bag with your bags!)



### Mixed Containers

- Cans
- Cartons
- Cookie tins
- Glass jars & containers
- Paper cups
- Plastic catering trays & lids\*
- Plastic cups
- Popcorn tins\*

\*If larger than 12", please take to Drop Off Center



### Drop Off Center Only - 7363 Pleasantview Rd, Harbor Springs

These items are not acceptable for curbside or drop sites

#### Batteries

All battery types are recyclable at the Pleasantview Drop Off Center for residents at no cost. Be sure to tape the terminals!

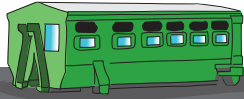
#### String Lights

Holiday lights can be recycled with electronics for a fee. Remove any glass bulbs prior to drop off.

#### Metal Christmas Tree Stands

These are considered scrap metal and can be recycled at no cost to you.





## Level Up Your Recycling

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### Reduce

Rather than giving an item, think about an experience: movie or concert tickets, car wash or parking tokens, dinner reservations, cover a monthly membership, subscription, or donate to a nonprofit in their name.

Encourage waste reduction by gifting a reusable water bottle, straw or sandwich bag.

### Reuse

By purchasing used, you are saving energy and natural resources. Find fantastic buys at area resale and thrift stores.

Tissue paper is a non-recycleable item that can be reused in many ways: use it in a craft project, donate to a preschool, art class, library or save it for a future gift.



### Choose Recycled Content

Become a member of the circular economy and purchase items made from recycled content.

## Zero Waste

### Gift Wrapping

Wrap your gifts in a reusable fabric or paper bag. Use newspaper, poster, map or calendars.

### Food Waste



Check out our website for tips on reducing food waste for your next large gathering that include meal planning and proper produce storage.

### Party Plans

Serve food on reusable place settings instead of single use options. Don't have enough? Borrow from a family member or thrift for fun accent pieces. Make centerpieces from thrifted pieces or foraged greens.

