

# Eco-Holiday Guide



## 6 Ways to Go Green this Holiday Season



### 1 Regift & Repair

Instead of an unwanted item collecting dust or worse—getting thrown away—regift it to someone who will put it to good use. Considering repairing a loved ones' worn or broken items instead of replacing with new. Want to do it yourself but don't know how? Watch for Missoula Fixit Clinics coming in 2019! Fixit Clinics pair volunteer coaches with community members to teach them the skills needed to fix their treasured goods.



### 2 Recharge it!

Every year over 15 billion batteries are produced worldwide, and many are alkaline batteries that are thrown out after just one use. Replace your alkaline batteries with rechargeable ones. Newer models can charge in as little as 15 minutes! Save money and help the environment at the same time.



### 3 Make Gatherings Zero Waste

Instead of disposable tableware, serve food on real, reusable dishware. The Jeannette Rankin Peace Center offers a 'dish pantry' or lending library for forks and spoons, bowls, plates, and cups. If you must use disposable dishware, look for compostable or recyclable party kits. Consider donating leftover food to the Food Bank or composting it.



### 4 Use LED Holiday Lights

LED lights last up to 10 times longer, use 80% less energy than traditional incandescent holiday lights and are ENERGY STAR qualified. They are also more durable and shock resistant because they do not have moving parts, filaments or glass. Don't forget to recycle your old lights! (See reverse-side.)



### 5 Wrap & Pack with Reuse

The high clay and low-paper content of wrapping paper makes it difficult to recycle. Instead, get creative and choose reused/ reusable alternatives like comics, posters, maps, blueprints, or calendars (all recyclable), fabric, reusable paper or cloth gift bags, bandanas, etc. For shipping, replace foam or bubble wrap with plastic bags or glossy ads (the ink doesn't smear like newspaper).



### 6 Online Resource Coming Soon!

As a one-stop-shop for all things "Zero Waste" in Missoula, this website will provide an overview of ZERO by FIFTY: Missoula's pathway to Zero Waste, practical tips on how to reduce, reuse, repair, and recycle in the area, as well as ways to get involved in Missoula's growing Zero Waste movement. Visit [zerobyfiftymissoula.com](http://zerobyfiftymissoula.com) and stay tuned for the launch of this informational resource.



## Happy Holidays!

from

 Home ReSource

# Don't forget to reuse & recycle all of these holidays leftovers!



## Plastic

Must be clean, dry, and empty.

REUSE at these locations:

**Plastic Containers with 2" or wider openings**

- Good Food Store

RECYCLE at these locations:

**Plastic Shopping Bags**

- Albertsons
- Target

**Plastic Bottles**

- Republic Recycling Drop-off Center (#1 & #2)
- Republic All-in-One Curbside Service (#1-7)

**Axmen Recycling**

**Plastic Containers #2 & #5**

- Precious Plastic



## Packing Peanuts & Bubble Wrap

NOT RECYCLABLE, REUSE ONLY,

take to packing & shipping store, or ask local businesses, like The Clay Studio, if they need them for shipping merchandise and products.



## Holiday String Lights & Extension Cords

Please bundle cords & tie with loose end.

REUSE at these locations:

**Working String Lights & Extension Cords**

- Home ReSource
- Thrift Stores

RECYCLE at these locations:

**Broken String Lights & Extension Cords**

- Home ReSource
- Axmen Recycling

**Bulbs**

- Ace Hardware
- Lowe's
- Home Depot



## Glass

REUSE at these locations:

**Glass Containers**

- Good Food Store - all clean containers with 2" or wider openings & lids

**Brown Glass Bottles**

- Bayern Brewing Inc.
- Back to the Mother

RECYCLE at these locations.

**All Glass Bottles**

- Recycling Works



## Paper and Cardboard

NO glitter or other non-paper items.

REMOVE: ribbons, photos or photo paper, large staples and shiny graphics, non-paper handles (string, etc), metal grommets.

REUSE holiday cards as next year's gift tags or place-setting cards.

RECYCLE at these locations:

- Republic Recycling Drop-off Center
- Pacific
- Axmen



## Tree Recycling

Missoula Parks and Recreation coordinates a free collection service available the Monday following Christmas until mid-January.

More info at (406) 721-7275 or missoulaparks.org.

Please be sure to remove all tinsel, lights, strands, etc.

Do not bring other material such as garlands, wreaths, or trash.

**City of Missoula Christmas Tree Drop-off Events:**

- McCormick Park, 600 Cregg Ln
- Playfair Park, Bancroft St & Pattee Creek Dr
- Fort Missoula, South Ave W & Old Fort Rd
- Garden City Compost, 1125 Clark Fork Ln



## Food Scraps & Wasted Food

No bones, meats, oils, fats, greases, or dairy.

**COMPOST COLLECTION** available from:

- Missoula Compost Collection, LLC
- Soil Cycle
- Recycling Works

**DROP-OFF** at this location:

- Garden City Compost



## Batteries

RECYCLE at these locations:

**Rechargeable Batteries**

- Lowe's
- Batteries Plus (fees apply)

**Rechargeable Tool Batteries**

- Home Depot

**Alkaline Batteries**

- Batteries Plus (fees apply)



## Electronics & Cell Phones

REUSE at these locations:

- Thrift Stores (functional only)

RECYCLE at these locations:

- Staples
- Target
- P.E.T.E.S Electric (fees apply)
- Best Buy (fees may apply)

## Want Recycling and Compost Collection Service?

### Garden City Recycling

gardencityrecycling.com  
(406) 493-1528

### Recycling Works

202 Brooks St Unit 3  
(406) 215-4650

### Republic Services

RepublicServices.com  
(406) 543-3157

### Missoula Compost Collection, LLC

missoulacompostcollectionllc.com  
(406) 370-5876

### Soil Cycle

soilcyclemissoula.com  
(406) 518-1253

## Drop-off Centers

### Ace Hardware

905 East Broadway (406) 721-9690  
2301 Brooks St (406) 728-3030

### Albertsons

1003 East Broadway St (406) 549-2351  
2205 Oxford St (406) 549-5105  
2230 North Reserve St (406) 728-1116  
3800 Russell St (406) 549-1547

### Back to the Mother

(937) 623-9696

### Batteries Plus

(406) 203-9364

### Bayern Brewing

(406) 721-1482

### Best Buy

(406) 829-0409

### Garden City Compost

(406) 552-6619

### Good Food Store

(406) 541-3663

### Home Depot

(406) 523-0901

### Lowe's

(406) 329-1800

### Pacific Steel & Recycling

(406) 543-7280

### P.E.T.E.S. Electric

(406) 543-3086

### Precious Plastic

(406) 371-3693

### Republic Services

(406) 543-3157

### Staples

(406) 728-9558

### Target

(406) 543-4000

## Interested in Moving Missoula toward Zero Waste?

Get connected by emailing [learn@homeresource.org](mailto:learn@homeresource.org)

Stay on the lookout for [zerobyfiftymissoula.com](http://zerobyfiftymissoula.com)

