

Markets for recycled materials change, see current guide at www.stocktonumc.org/
Note changes to plastics recycling effective January 4, 2020



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Guide to Recycling and Reusing in Stockton

Compiled by Go Green Team and United Methodist Women, Stockton United Methodist Church



This guide lists local outlets that accept many items for responsible recycling and for reusing. See page 5 for addresses and phone numbers. Few recycled items require fees, as indicated. You may want to call before taking your items. **New!** Back page lists all items accepted at Stockton City Recycling Center. For items not listed that you want to recycle, see Springfield recycling centers at <https://www.springfieldmo.gov/DocumentCenter/View/15834/Recycling--Donation-Locations-Guide?bidId=> and <http://www.computerrecyclingcenter.org>.

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Recycling in 2019-2020 differs from recycling in 1970-1990s. Contamination is a serious problem that requires us to focus on **Empty • Clean • Dry • Loose • Symbol** in addition to **Reduce • Reuse • Recycle**.

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- **EMPTY**—Make sure no food or product residue remains in the items you want to recycle.
- **CLEAN**—Rinse empty recyclable containers. If you cannot get a container completely clean, put it into the trash so as not to contaminate the rest of your recycling material and the overall process.
- **DRY**—Make sure clean containers are dry before placing them in the recycle bin. Wet or soiled paper and cardboard cannot be recycled.
- **LOOSE**—Never deposit plastic bags filled with recycling items in the recycling dumpster. Dump bag contents in recycling dumpster and reuse bag or discard in the trash. Better yet, collect and carry recycling items in a sturdy reusable container, such as a bucket or box.
- **SYMBOL CONFUSION**—The familiar chasing arrows symbol found on many plastic items is the Resin Identification Code that identifies types of plastics, #1-7. While the symbol means the item is recyclable, not all communities accept each type of plastic, so check this guide or with your local recycle service provider (Republic Services) before tossing items in the recycling bin.



Practice **Empty. Clean. Dry. Loose. Symbol.** to ensure our recycling materials actually get recycled!

Alphabetical List of Items to Recycle or Reuse Locally

Aluminum Beverage Cans (rinsed, not crushed, not bagged)

SUMC—Parking lot, behind fence (proceeds fund local missions)

Stockton City Recycling Center

Woods Super Market Recycle Bin

Aluminum Foil (balled 2" or larger), Baking/Pie Pans (clean)

Stockton City Recycling Center

Aluminum Pet Food Cans (washed, label removed)

Stockton City Recycling Center

No longer accepted in SUMC parking lot

Aluminum Tab Tops

SUMC—UMW Recycling Cabinet (Ronald McDonald House container)

For changes to this guide, contact Cheryl Y. Marcum, 276-2501, or renew.creation@gmail.com

Batteries

Annual Dead Electronics and Appliances Recycling Drive (AA, AAA, C, D, all buttons), see page 4
Joe's Tires (**ALL TYPES**: automotive; marine; A, AA, AAA, C, D, 9-volt, all button, etc.)
Westside Marine (**ONLY** automotive and marine)

Bicycles (good condition)

SUMC—UMW Semi-Annual Rummage Sale
(proceeds fund local missions)
SAMA Thrift Store

Books (paperbacks and hardbacks)

SUMC—UMW Rummage Sale (proceeds fund local missions)
Cedar County Library/Stockton Branch—
Accepts used books in good condition from April through May 20 for annual book sale.
NO Reader's Digest Condensed books
NO books without covers
SAMA Thrift Store
Stockton City Recycling Center
Stockton Middle School Paper Bin

Bubble Wrap (clean)

SUMC—UMW Semi-Annual Rummage Sale

Cardboard, Corrugated (broken down)

Stockton City Recycling Center
Woods Super Market (give to employee inside)

NOT ACCEPTED at Stockton Middle School Paper Bin

CDs (compact disks) and DVDs (digital video disks)

NO cassette or VHS tapes; dispose of in trash.
SAMA Thrift Store (**ONLY** good condition)
SUMC—UMW Semi-Annual Rummage Sale
(good condition + recycle dead CDs and DVDs)

Cereal Bags and Liners (clean, no crumbs)

NO cracker or other plastic wrappers
SUMC—UMW Recycling Cabinet



Bags and liners accepted until December 15, 2019

Clothing, Furniture, Household Items (in good condition)

NO mattresses **NO** exercise equipment **NO** TVs
NO electronics **NO** telephones **NO** computers
YES prom dresses
SAMA Thrift Store
SUMC—UMW Semi-Annual Rummage Sale

Computers, Computer Components and Peripherals (all kinds, including hard drives and printers)

Annual Dead Electronics and Appliances Recycling Drive (fee for all CRT monitors), see page 4
Computer Recycling Center (fee for CRTs)
Best Buy Stores (fee for CRTs)

Dental Hygiene Waste (Toothbrushes and outer packaging; toothpaste tubes, caps, and outer packaging; floss containers)



NO electric toothbrushes (recycle with electronics)
SUMC—UMW Recycling Cabinet

Dry Cleaning Wire Clothes Hangers (good condition)

No place in Stockton
Jenny's Dry Cleaning or check with your cleaners

Egg Cartons

SUMC—UMW Recycling Cabinet
Cramer Animal Care Clinic

Eyeglasses (prescription and reading)

SUMC—UMW Recycling Cabinet (for Festival of Sharing)
Lion's Club (any member)

Fishing Line (used or new; monofilament line, spool)

Westside Marine
SUMC—UMW Recycling Cabinet

Foam Packaging Blocks and Coolers (Expanded Polystyrene (EPS) foam)

Clean, white (only), uncontaminated molded EPS identifiable by small round beads molded together to form the block or shape such as a foam cooler.
NO food service foam: meat trays, plates, cups
NO packing peanuts
Foam Fabricators

Glass Food Jars, Beverage Containers (all colors)

NO plate glass **NO** ceramics or porcelain
Stockton City Recycling Center
SUMC—UMW Recycling Cabinet (honey jars only)
SUMC—UMW Semi-Annual Rummage Sale
(small jelly jars with lids only)



Ink and Toner Cartridges (all kinds)

SUMC—UMW Recycling Cabinet (square plastic bucket)

Ink Pens

SUMC—UMW Recycling Cabinet (orange bucket, comingle with mascara tubes, pens, and plastic caps and lids)

Light Bulbs (incandescent, CFLs, florescent tubes, Halogen, Christmas, LEDs, all kinds of bulbs)

America Recycles Day drive, see page 4
Computer Recycling Center (\$1 fee/tube or CFL)
Any *Lowe's* (**only CFLs**, place in zip lock bag, no fee)
Home Depot (**only CFLs**, place in zip lock bag, no fee)

Lipstick Tubes (empty)

SUMC—UMW Recycling Cabinet (orange bucket, comingle with mascara tubes, pens, plastic caps and lids)

Magazines (also see “Paper Products” in this guide)

SUMC—Magazine bookshelf (bring magazines, TRADE for others you want to take home)

Mascara Tubes (empty)

SUMC—UMW Recycling Cabinet (orange bucket, comingle with lipstick tubes, pens, and plastic caps)

Mattresses (**NO** wet or infested)

No place in Stockton
Springfield Recycling Centers (\$15 fee/any size)

Microwave Ovens

No place in Stockton
C & C Appliance (no fee)

Motor Oil and Transmission Fluid

Caplinger Mills Fire Stations (also gear grease)
Deliver to station 1 or 2. If large amount like 55 gallon barrel, call Raymond Heryford for pickup.
O'Reilly Auto Parts (also oil filters)

Newspapers (also see “Paper Products” in this guide)

Cramer Animal Care Clinic

Paint, Latex Water-Based

Safely dispose of in the trash as follows:
Stir cat litter (or a commercially prepared absorbent available at hardware stores) into the paint until all is absorbed. Let mixture completely dry, place can with dried mixture in the trash. Leave lid off of the can.

Paper Products

Books, hard backs and paper backs (also see “Books” in this guide)

Boxboard/pasteboard without plastic or wax coating (cereal, cake, pasta, shoe boxes; toilet paper rolls, paper towel rolls, tissue boxes, etc., flattened)

Brown paper grocery bags

Cardboard, corrugated (**see “Cardboard, Corrugated” in this guide; Middle School Paper Bin does not accept it!**)

Feed or seed sacks/bags (if no plastic lining, or remove plastic lining); remove all strings

File folders

Junk mail and envelopes, including those with windows

Magazines and catalogs (also see “Magazines” in this guide)

Newspapers and slick inserts (also see “Newspapers” in this guide)

Office, school, and pastel paper with staples (**REMOVE** rubber bands, plastic covers, dividers, tabs, metal brads, clamps, clasps, clips, spirals)

Paper cartons for eggs, berries, and fruit

Phone books (remove plastic wrap)

Shredded paper (empty from bag)

Wrapping and craft (brown) papers

NO thermal-coated fax/calculator paper (receipts)

NO plastic-coated paper or wax-coated paper

NO juice or milk cartons

NO aluminum foil lined paper **NO** foil **NO** Mylar

NO original blueprints **NO** soiled or wet items

Stockton Middle School Paper Bin

Stockton City Recycling Center

Plastic Shopping/Grocery Bags

2 (typically opaque; shopping, grocery, trash, retail—clean and dry)

SAMA Food Pantry

Many retail and grocery stores, such as HyVee, collect these in bins located near the entrance.

Walmart and Lowe's stores

4 (fresh produce; bread; frozen food, i.e., vegetables and fruit; dry cleaning—clean and dry)

No place in Stockton

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Walmart and Lowe's stores

CHOOSE TO USE REUSABLE CLOTH BAGS!

Plastics accepted until December 29, 2019

Plastic # 1-7 Tubs, Screw-top Jars, Bottles, and Jugs (rinse, dry; remove plastic caps and lids)



NO plastic caps or lids (see “Plastic Caps and Lids” in this guide)

NO plastic cups or items not listed above

NO Styrofoam or molded EPS foam (see “Form Packaging Blocks and Coolers” in this guide)

Stockton City Recycling Center

Only plastics accepted starting January 4, 2020

Plastics #1-2, including lids and caps



Dispose of plastics #3-7 in trash.

Stockton City Recycling Center

Plastic #1-7 (all plastic items marked #1-7, including cups, plastic caps and lids left on bottles and jars)

Springfield Recycling Centers

Plastic Caps and Lids (all kinds; clean and dry)

SUMC—UMW Recycling Cabinet

Computer Recycling Center

Plastic Plant Trays and Round Pots

NO multi-pack cells

Rovenstein Greenhouse

Any Lowe’s (also accept plastic plant tags)

Shoes, Boots, Sports Shoes, etc. (gently used)

SAMA Thrift Store

SUMC—UMW Rummage Sale

St. Andrew Lutheran Church

Tin and Steel Cans (rinse, do not crush or flatten)

Aerosol Cans (empty, no plastic caps)

Loose Metal Jar Lids and Steel Bottle Caps

Stockton City Recycling Center

Tires

Joe’s Tires (\$2 fee per tire)

TVs

Annual Dead Electronics and Appliances Recycling Drive (fee for all TVs), see below

Computer Recycling Center (fee for CRTs)

Best Buy Stores (fee for CRTs)

Towels (old, clean)

Cramer Animal Care Clinic

Vegetable Oil (used)

Larry Stockstill accepts vegetable oil, preferably in gallon plastic jugs (farmers burn it in diesel engines)

Walnuts

Hammons Products Co.

Yard Debris (grass clippings, small limbs, leaves)

Stockton City Hall

CHOOSE TO START A SIMPLE COMPOST PILE!

More Opportunities to Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle in Stockton

Annual Dead Electronics and Appliances Recycling Drive, SUMC Go Green Team | SUMC parking lot

★ Saturday in April close to Earth Day. For next drive date, visit <http://stocktonumc.org/index.php/calendar> and scroll down to April or call 276-4717.

Semi-Annual Rummage Sales, SUMC United Methodist Women | Family Life Center

★ May and October, first Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. Donate and shop for gently used household items and clothing; proceeds help fund missions of the church—local and beyond.

Annual Drive for America Recycles Day, SUMC Go Green Team | Parking lot by SUMC office entrance

★ November 15. Recycle residential compact florescent lamps (CFLs), florescent tubes (\$1/fee per tube), incandescent, halogen, metal halide (\$2.50/per bulb), LED bulbs, and Christmas lights. Wait for volunteers to collect bulbs from your car.

Let’s act like we are made in God’s image and choose to consume less and recycle more.

Locations of Recycling Outlets Listed in this Guide

- Jenny's Dry Cleaning** (417) 326-4723
215 North Main Avenue, Bolivar
- Best Buy, Primrose Market** (417) 886-5118
3450 South Glenstone Avenue, Springfield
- C & C Appliance** (417) 865-3296
1101 South Scenic Avenue, Springfield
- Caplinger Mills Fire Stations** 276-1448
Station 1 in Caplinger Mills; Station 2, J Highway
(Station 2 is closest to Stockton)
- Cedar County Library/Stockton Branch** 276-3413
717 East Street, Stockton
Hours: 9:30 a.m. – 7 p.m. Monday-Friday
9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Saturday
- Computer Recycling Center**
528 North Prince Lane, Springfield (417) 866-2588
Hours: 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Saturday
- Cramer Animal Care Clinic** 276-3597
South Highway 39, Stockton
- Foam Fabricators** (417) 876-6880
417 W. Industrial Drive, El Dorado Springs
Hours: 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. Monday-Friday (call first)
- Hammons Products Co.** 276-5181
General Office, 106 Hammons Drive, Stockton
- Home Depot** (417) 881-7277
2104 East Independence, Springfield
- Joe's Tires** 276-6750
205 South Worley Street, Stockton
Hours: 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. Monday-Friday
(close for lunch)
- Lowe's Home Improvement** (417) 833-2000
1707 West Norton Road, Springfield
- O'Reilly Auto Parts** 276-7200
524 West Street, Stockton
- SAMA (Stockton Area Ministerial Alliance) Food Pantry**
903 MO-32, Stockton (east of Woody's Fast Stop)
Hours: 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. Monday-Friday
- SAMA (Stockton Area Ministerial Alliance) Thrift Store** (417) 955-2492
903 MO-32, Stockton (east of Woody's Fast Stop)
Hours: 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. Monday, Tuesday,
Thursday, Friday, Saturday
9 a.m. – 2 p.m. Wednesday
- Springfield Recycling Centers** (417) 864-1904
Franklin Avenue Recycling Center
731 N. Franklin Avenue, Springfield
Lone Pine Recycling Center
3020 S. Lone Pine, Springfield
Hours: (winter) 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.;
(summer) 8 a.m. – 6 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday
- St. Andrew's Lutheran Church** 276-3511
South Highway 39, Stockton; drop box open 24-7
- Stockstill, Larry** 276-5518
South of Stockton on B Highway, just west of
intersection with Highway 39. Sign in front says,
"Larry's Ag Repair"
- Stockton City Hall** 276-5210
Call for appointment to drop off yard debris;
any Monday at 1:15 p.m.
- Stockton City Recycling Center** (Agape volunteers)
Near north water tower on Arnold Wallen
Street, west of solar array. (MO-32/West Street
to Fourth Street, turn north, then turn west
onto Arnold Wallen Street)
Hours: 3:30 – 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, Saturday,
Sunday
- Stockton Middle School Paper Bin**
Large green dumpster owned by Nestlé-Purina
behind the middle school, just off Blake Street
at the back of the parking lot by baseball field;
in front of Tinsley Show Barn
Hours: Open 24/7 **NO corrugated cardboard!**
NO plastics!
- SUMC (Stockton United Methodist Church)** 276-4717
708 East MO-32, Stockton
Hours: 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Monday – Thursday
9:30 a.m. – Noon Sunday
UMW (United Methodist Women) Recycling
Cabinet—in hall to Family Life Center
Magazine bookshelf—in hall to Family Life
Center across from bulletin boards
Parking lot—barrels behind wood fence by
trash dumpster
UMW Semi-Annual Rummage Sale (first
weekend in May and October)
- Walmart Supercenter** (417) 326-8424
2451 South Springfield Avenue, Bolivar
- Westside Marine** 276-5551
16410 South Highway 39, Stockton
- Woods Super Market** 276-4714
South side of Stockton on Highway 39

Items Accepted for Recycling at Stockton City Recycling Center

Republic Services provides trash and recycling services to the city of Stockton. Bagging items for recycling or trying to recycle unclean or unrecyclable material increases sorting time and slows the recycling process, damages the facility's equipment and causes contaminants in the bales of clean recyclables which decreases their value and often diverts the entire load of recyclables into the landfill.



Ensure our recycling materials actually get recycled, practice

EMPTY • CLEAN • DRY • LOOSE • SYMBOL

Republic Services collects recyclables in two dumpsters: (1) Glass only, and (2) Comingled aluminum; plastic containers; paper, paperboard, corrugated cardboard; steel and tin cans, lids, and caps (loose).

1. Glass Dumpster

Deposit all types and colors of glass food and beverage containers. Empty, clean, dry; **no plastic bags**, please!

NOT ACCEPTED	
Ceramics	Pane glass
Laminated or safety glass	Porcelain
Mirrors	Pyrex

2. Co-mingled Dumpster

Deposit without sorting the many items listed below. Empty and rinse all containers, do not flatten; **no plastic bags**, please!

Aluminum

- Aluminum baking/pie pans (clean)
- Aluminum beverage cans (do not crush or flatten)
- Aluminum foil (clean, balls 2" or larger)
- Aluminum pet food cans (remove labels, do not crush)

Paper, Paperboard, Corrugated Cardboard

- Books, paper and hardback
- Boxboard (cereal, cake, pasta boxes, etc.)
- Brown paper grocery bags
- Corrugated cardboard (must be broken down flat)
- Feed/seed bags (remove strings)
- File folders
- Junk mail and envelopes
- Magazines and catalogs
- Newspapers and newspaper inserts
- Office and colored paper
- Paper cartons (eggs, berries, fruit)
- Phone books
- Pizza boxes (clean, no food residue).

NOT ACCEPTED
Batteries (see <i>Guide to Recycling</i>)
Diapers
Food-tainted items
Food waste or garbage
Frozen food, ice cream or frozen juice containers
Glass
Hazardous or bio-hazardous waste
Kraft (orange/brown) envelopes
Light bulbs (see <i>Guide to Recycling</i>)
Needles or syringes
Paper ream wrappers
Paper to-go food containers
Plastic 6-pack holders
Plastic lids and caps (see <i>Guide to Recycling</i>)
Plastic microwave trays
Plastic sacks or bags (see <i>Guide to Recycling</i>)
Styrofoam of any kind (see <i>Guide to Recycling</i>)
Tissues, paper towels or napkins
Toiletries
Tyvek envelopes
Waxed paper or waxed cardboard
Yard waste or trash (see <i>Guide to Recycling</i>)

Plastics accepted until December 29, 2019

CHANGE

Only # 1-7 plastic tubs, screw-top jars, bottles and jugs (no plastic lids, dispose of lids in trash)

Recycling Center near north water tower on Arnold Wallen Way. (MO-32/West Street to Fourth Street, turn north, then turn west onto Arnold Wallen Street, pass solar array)

Plastics accepted starting January 4, 2020

Only #1-2, including lids and caps (dispose of all plastics #3-7 in trash)

Steel and Tin Cans, Lids, and Caps (loose)

Aerosol cans (empty, no caps)