

WHAT CAN I DO?

SUGGESTIONS FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS

- Issue a proclamation declaring November 15 as Texas Recycles Day in your city or county and encourage residents and employees to reduce, reuse, recycle.
- Start or announce a new or expanded recycling collection program on or near November 15.
- Place a box at government facilities to collect clothing, used eyeglasses, or other items to donate.
- Conduct a waste audit of all government offices. Check out the <u>Recycling at Work report</u> from Keep America Beautiful.
- Waive or discount entry fees at parks in exchange for recyclables during the week of Texas Recycles Day.
- Encourage citizens to conduct an electronics recycling collection drive or program. For more information
 and a list of entities that take back computers/computer peripherals, cell phones, ink jet cartridges and
 the like, visit <u>TCEQ.Texas.gov</u>.
- Conduct a household hazardous waste collection. Visit <u>TCEQ.Texas.gov</u> for more information.
- Announce a Christmas tree recycling program for late December and/or early January.
- Sponsor a backyard-composting seminar.
- Promote the mulching and composting of leaves.
- Run a series of recycling videos on your cable access station.
- Encourage citizens to donate old automobiles to charity.
- Have a paperless office day. Encourage staff to use e-mail and edit documents on-line.