



# Corrugated Cardboard Recycling



It's as easy as  
**1-2-3**  
Recycle!

**1**

**slice the tape**

It's OK to leave the tape, stickers & staples



**2**

**flatten boxes**



**3**

**curb it!**  
It's that easy!



## You Have Choices!

1. Reuse cardboard around your home or offer it on *Craigslist.org*.
2. Break down boxes to fit into curbside recycling bins.
3. Recycle cardboard at the City's Recycling Drop-off, 1702 Riverside Ave, or at the Larimer County Landfill, 5887 Taft Hill Rd.

## What is cardboard?

Corrugated cardboard is a strong, versatile material made from two strips of thick brown paper on the top and bottom, with a wavy "corrugated" strip running through the center. It's most commonly found in boxes used for packaging and shipping and is universally accepted for recovery and recycling.

## Did you know?

Fort Collins became the first community in Colorado requiring that corrugated cardboard is either recycled or reused. By requiring citizens and businesses to reuse or recycle corrugated cardboard, Fort Collins expects to divert about 12,000 tons of bulky cardboard from cluttering our landfill.



Corrugated cardboard packaging is a **\$17 Billion** per-year industry—the largest segment of the entire packaging industry.

Nationally, 70 percent of all corrugated cardboard is recovered for recycling, making it the largest source of waste paper collected for recycling.

**10%**   
of the Fort Collins waste stream is made up of cardboard.



Recycling cardboard only uses **75% of the energy** needed to make new cardboard.

Sources:  
· American Forest and Paper Association  
· Environmental Protection Agency  
· Fort Collins 2008 Climate Action Plan  
· Paper Recycles.Org



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[fcgov.com/recycling](http://fcgov.com/recycling)



Businesses and multi-family complexes are eligible to receive rebates for starting a recycling program. For more details, call 970-221-6288.