

## What is a Green Good?

A green good refers to products and packaging manufactured from recycled materials. The plastic milk jug you throw in the recycling bin can show back up on the store shelf as part of the plastic shampoo bottle you buy. Used aluminum pop cans are melted down and made back into aluminum pop cans, and that process can take as little as three weeks.

## Where Can I Buy Green Goods?

There are many manufacturers and retailers of recycled content products. The following is a list of some of the companies and/or brands that MMWA purchases from:



**NOTE:** Numerous local retailers, such as WalMart, Meijer, Target, Lowes, Office Max, etc., carry a variety of products and packaging that contain recycled content. Look for information noting "Recycled Content" on the label.

For more information on recycled content product sources, contact MMWA @ 989-781-9555

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Village of Breckenridge	Kochville Township
Birch Run Village	Birch Run Township
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City of Frankenmuth	Swan Creek Township
Frankenmuth Township	Thomas Township
Fremont Township	Tittabawassee Township
James Township	City of Zilwaukee

To borrow the Green Goods Kit call:  
**Mid Michigan Waste Authority**

Phone: 989-781-9555

Fax: 989-781-9559

Website: [www.ggg3.org](http://www.ggg3.org)



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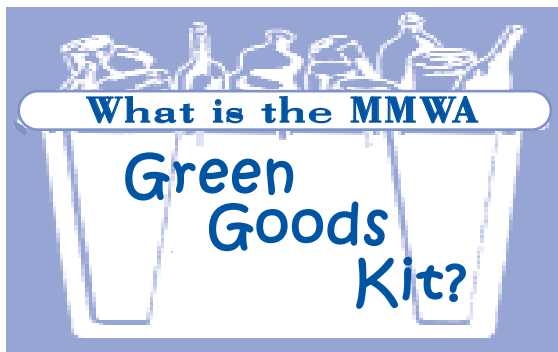
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The Mid Michigan  
Waste Authority

# Green Goods Kit



An all-in-one kit  
featuring recycled products  
to use as a tabletop display  
or as a presentation



- An easy to use, all-in-one "kit".
- Contains a variety of goods made from recycled content (items from the recycling bin).
- For loan to Saginaw County- schools, pre-schools, scout troops, churches, MMWA members, libraries and community organizations.

## Why Are Green Goods Important ?

The key to recycling is closing the loop: buying goods and packaging made from recycled items makes this possible. The items we put in the recycling bin are used by factories to make valuable recycled content products and packaging.

People need to buy recycled content products and packaging to keep recycling going. If there are no uses for the recyclables collected curbside, then recycling will no longer be available.

The Mid Michigan Waste Authority created the Green Goods Kit as a way to promote recycling and buying recycled. The Kit is a convenient, exciting tool for teachers, scout leaders, garden clubs, municipal leaders and other educators to effectively get across the message that each of us needs to help Close the Recycling Loop!

## How Is The Kit Used ?

The Green Goods Kit is designed to easily educate its audience on the importance of purchasing goods made from recycled materials. The kit can be used as a stand-alone tabletop display, or as the basis for a recycled goods presentation. The kit contains recycled content items, a binder with a suggested presentation script, an index of items and their purchase or manufacture origin, display set up tips and signs for use if setting it up as a display. Its easy, fun, and you'll look like an eco-expert!

## How Do I Check Out The Kit ?

The Green Goods Kit can be checked out for a two-week time period. Contact MMWA at 781-9555 or fax the form below to 781-9559 to make arrangements to borrow the Green Goods Kit. Users must pick up the kit and drop it back off when done at MMWA. If the kit is not available on the date requested, MMWA may have to call and work out an alternate date.

A \$25 deposit is required, which will be returned once the Green Goods Kit and all of it's components are returned to MMWA. Have fun and enjoy the exciting, unique materials we have available!

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Date reqstd for kit pick-up: \_\_\_\_\_

MMWA use: Date to be returned: \_\_\_\_\_



## What is in the Green Goods Kit ?

- ✎ Pencils made from denim scraps, currency or newsprint
- ✎ Whimsical metal figurines made from old truck hoods
- ✎ Shoelaces made from pop bottles
- ✎ Trays made from recycled steel or plastic shopping bags
- ✎ Fleece hat and socks made from recycled 2 liter pop bottles
- ✎ Rulers made from yellow pages, scrap sawdust, denim scraps or currency
- ✎ Notebook made from recycled paper
- ✎ Plaque made from laundry detergent bottles
- ✎ Jewelry made from reclaimed metal or sawdust

...And Many More!

## What Are Items Made From ?

- ★ laundry detergent bottles
- ★ blue jean scraps
- ★ 2-liter pop bottles
- ★ crayons stubs
- ★ used paper
- ★ flat tires
- ★ milk jugs

