

# REDUCE, REUSE & RECYCLE



The Three R's of Sustainability can help minimize the amount of waste we usually throw away, preserve natural resources, protect the environment and save energy. Our actions matter!

A small change to your daily lifestyle is all it takes to reduce waste to our landfills and reduce pollution to our waters. Some small habits utilized daily by everyone can positively change the world.



Ultimately, people rely on nature. Preserving natural resources and protecting our living environment are good for us all. We are the solutions - because to take good care of our environment is to take good care of ourselves.

## Commercial and Industrial Owners/Operators

*Here's how you can help:*

- Develop an action plan to reduce waste at your workplace
- Set up a recycling program at work for paper, plastic, metal, glass and food waste
- Only purchase the amount of product or materials needed to complete a job
- Print only what you need and print on both sides of the paper
- Purchase environmentally-friendly products



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*Use fewer resources in the first place*

- Use cloth napkins instead of paper napkins
- Avoid one-time use plates, spoons, glass, cups and napkins
- Use less energy by turning off lights and certain appliances when not in use
- Switch to energy-efficient light bulbs and invest in energy-efficient appliances

*Use materials more than once instead of discarding*

- Buy, sell or donate used items
- Build a compost bin and reuse many food wastes
- Bring your own reusable bag when shopping
- Bring your reusable water bottle daily to reduce plastic and save money

*Convert waste materials into new products*

- Recycle the basics (paper, plastic, metal, glass), food wastes, fabric and electronics
- Participate in the HI-5 Program
- Avoid buying hazardous materials that could be difficult to recycle
- Know your local recycling guidelines to learn how to recycle properly



**There are so many means by which we can help to protect the environment during our daily lives. By reducing, reusing and recycling, we can minimize potential pollutants from entering Hawai'i's waters.**

