

WASTE sorting

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Quick Tips

- Choose reusables whenever possible!
- Pizza boxes go in the compost not recycling.
- Look at the bottom of packaging materials for an indicator of what it's made of and if it's recyclable or compostable.
- It never hurts to look up where something goes! Scan below for a helpful guide:



types of plastics!



commonly used for food packaging!
recyclable!



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Compost

Anything that's made from plants can be composted, returning nutrients to the soil!

GREEN BIN:



Food scraps (even meat & bones)



Coffee grounds & tea bags



Plants & flowers



Paper towels & napkins



Food containers made from plant material (paper & cardboard)



Food containers & utensils labelled "compostable"

Remember:

Disposable to-go boxes & utensils from USF cafeterias are usually compostable.

Recycle

While recycling is better than landfill disposal, switching to reusable items is best!

BLUE BIN:



Clean, dry paper & cardboard



Metal (cans, jar lids aluminum foil)



Hard plastic (clean bottles & tubs)



Glass (clean jars & bottles)

Remember:

Batteries & electronics should be dropped off at e-waste stations in your building lobby or lounge.

Clothing & shoes can be donated in your residence hall to the St. Anthony Foundation.

Landfill

Switch to reusable or compostable/recyclable items, or use only what you need!

BLACK BIN:



Soft plastic (bags, bubble wrap, candy wrappers, chip bags)



Styrofoam (food containers & packaging)



Rubber (gloves, erasers, rubber bands)



Items with both plastic and metal parts (pens & pencils, binders)



Masks & face shields

Remember:

Landfills pollute local communities and emit potent greenhouse gases!