



Missouri State Recycling Program

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MOREuse

MOREuse is your state agency reuse resource. Does your agency have items they no longer need, or are you looking for items on a limited or non-existent budget? MOREuse can help!

The Missouri State Agency for Surplus Property recently partnered with ITSD to create a new web-based application designed to make the transfer of surplus property from one state agency to another seamless. This application encourages reuse and recycling of state property and its use is limited to Missouri state employees. During fiscal year 2019, the estimated savings from agencies exchanging property on MOREuse was nearly \$300,000.

Prior to this project, MOREuse existed as an email list, which could be a frustrating experience for users. Members of the list would receive emails from other state team members with property they no longer needed – office furniture, supplies, toner cartridges, and more. Each post produced an email, which could quickly become overwhelming.

The only other option was to set up a “digest” mode, which would email the members once a day, but frequently by the time the digest emails went out, the property had already been claimed. New members joining the email list had no easy way to view property that had been posted in the past.

Surplus Property wanted a more user-friendly platform, where property could be posted, requested, and easily searched, while also allowing the participants greater control over the amount and type of notifications they received. The end result also tracks the value of items exchanged, saving time and effort for the Surplus Property program.

Property posted or exchanged on MOREuse is for state agency use only. Property is not available to state employees for private use, and may not be donated or sold to any outside agency or individual.

Interested in MOREuse? Go to MOREuse.mo.gov to log in to the application to transfer or reserve property.

Closing the Loop

MSRP partnered with FMDC to ensure that 14 pallets (10 tons) of carpet tiles from a state building were recycled.



If these carpet tiles had been landfilled, they would have filled a 40-cubic yard trash compactor! Interface Carpet manufactured these tiles in the 1980s, and more than 30 years later, they are going to pick these up to be recycled. This is a perfect example of a closed-loop recycling process.

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Mission Statement

The Missouri State Recycling Program partners with state employees and agencies to facilitate fiscally and environmentally responsible strategies for reuse and recycling of state property.



State Property Reuse Resource

Recycling 101

Should I recycle plastic?

State building waste audits indicate that 80% of the plastics-only waste stream is #1 or #2 plastic bottles, so this is where we focus our time and energy on collections.

There is steady demand for this type of scrap plastic. Volume of material and demand for that material are key considerations when determining what should be collected for recycling.

Please continue recycling your #1 and #2 plastic bottles. Remember reusing (e.g., refillable water bottle) is an option too! Reducing the amount of material needing to be recycled is an important part of the the overall mission of the MSRP!

America Recycles Day November 15

Who: Missouri State Recycling Program (MSRP) + state employees

What: MSRP Exhibit

Where: Harry S Truman Building, Jefferson City

-2nd floor (entire month of November)

-4th floor (November 15 only)

When: 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Stop by and sign the pledge on November 15th to receive a pen made from plastic bottles and be entered into a drawing for a t-shirt also made from plastic bottles!

Would you like to organize an event or display for your office? Visit www.americarecyclesday.org for lots of great ideas for America Recycles Day. If you celebrate in your office, be sure to submit photos to be featured in an upcoming newsletter!

Please send any submissions to recycling@oa.mo.gov. We'd love to see photos of you recycling at work, objects made from recycled products, or anything else recycling-related that you'd like to share!

Meet Your MIRC Members!



The Missouri Interagency Recycling Committee (MIRC) is composed of representatives from each of the state departments, and meets quarterly to discuss issues dealing with recycling collection, waste reduction, recycling market conditions, and recycled product procurement. MIRC functions as the liaison between the Missouri State Recycling Program and all other state of Missouri government agencies.

September's featured MIRC member is Glenda Vanderfeltz, a 39-year veteran of state service who has spent the last 29 years working for the Office of Administration in the Purchasing Division. Working at the Truman Building in Jefferson City gives Glenda the opportunity to recycle paper, cardboard, aluminium, plastic, e-waste, cabling, and ink cartridges.

Working in purchasing allows Glenda a front-row view of how much cardboard would go into the trash if recycling weren't an option, and she carries that passion for recycling home with her. "My kids can tell you how grumpy I get when I find a plastic bottle, aluminium cans or boxes in the trash," she said.

Glenda has been married for 28 years and has three children. Her youngest is starting college this fall, her middle child is working, and the oldest is a senior in college. Her first grandchild is due next month. Outside of work, Glenda has a variety of hobbies including camping, reading, group exercise classes, Helias football games, golfing, and attending auctions and estate sales. She would love to visit every National Park as well as every state, and she and her husband would like to be State Park camp hosts.

Reduce, Reuse, Repurpose!

The Harry S Truman Building has several water bottle fill stations, allowing both employees and the public to refill existing bottles. This reduces waste from disposable bottles. This one has filled the equivalent of 27,909 plastic bottles!



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