

From Trash to Treasure: Unleash Your Upcycling Creativity!

What is upcycling?

Giving an item a second life and new function, using the original materials

Why is it important?

- Keeps material from the landfill
- Extends the lifespan and value of an item
- Encourages creativity and enhances connection to our belongings
- Saves money by reducing need for new items

What can be upcycled?

Glass, metal, fabric, wood, cardboard, tin, packaging - The only limit is your imagination!

Old T-Shirts → wash rags



Ends of veggies → broth
Store scraps in freezer until
you're ready.



Glass Jars →
organizers



Paper waste/paper
bags → packaging
materials



What could Upcycling look like?

Here are some ideas for
Upcycling common items.
Try one!

Plastic jugs →
garden shovel



Toilet paper rolls → seed
start planters



Plastic ties → cable ties



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Captain here.

**Before you throw something away, THINK: Can I reuse
this or turn it into a new item?**

Recycling
Block Captain
program



Need help with ideas? Reach out to the Corvallis/Albany Zero
Waste Facebook Group for suggestions!

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