



The Rhonda Renee Recycles Show is a lively, interactive presentation for elementary schools in Leon County. Rhonda's bright costume is made from reused detergent bottles. She sports aluminum can "jewelry" in her bright green and blue hair. The costume, music and games are used to teach children about solid waste and protecting our natural resources by reducing waste, reusing what we can and recycling.

Rhonda's shows are free to schools in Leon County. Each show is grade-specific and lasts 30-45 minutes.



Talking Trash! Educational Presentations

Do you want to know more about where your garbage goes and how to recycle properly? Our education coordinator speaks to public and private schools, homeowner's associations, civic groups, scout troops, businesses and other organizations wanting to know more about solid waste.

Waste reduction techniques decrease the amount of garbage going into our landfill. When residents take the time to reduce waste, reuse what they can and recycle the rest, the county saves money on disposal costs.

The free presentations are 40 minutes long. Solid waste management is more than just throwing it away. Schedule your group presentation today. Solid Waste Management Facility tours are also available.

*To schedule a Rhonda Renee Recycles show, a presentation or group tour, call our Community Education Coordinator at **606-1827**. You can also send an e-mail to GentryC@LeonCountyFL.gov.*

"Reduce" is the first "R"

Reduce. Reuse. Recycle. We've heard these words for many years. But which one is the most important? It's REDUCE!

You can reduce waste by bringing your lunch to school or work in reusable containers. Use a stainless steel water bottle instead of buying bottled water. Print on both sides of the paper. Our goal is to reduce waste.

If you do have trash, please put it in the garbage can. Help keep Leon County clean by not littering.

Contact Information

Rural Waste Service Center Locations

Solid Waste Management Facility RWSC

7550 Apalachee Parkway
606-1800

Blount RWSC

4363 Holder Lane
922-0098

Fort Braden RWSC

2485 E. Joe Thomas Road
488-9119

Miccosukee RWSC

13051 Miccosukee Road
922-0097

Woodville RWSC

549 Henry Jones Road
488-9099

OTHER IMPORTANT NUMBERS:

Solid Waste Facility: 606-1800
Recycling Questions: 606-1823
Recycling Education: 606-1827
Household Hazardous Waste: 606-1803

City of Tallahassee Utilities: 891-4YOU (4968)
(for City of Tallahassee residents)

Waste Management, Inc: 574-3000
(for unincorporated Leon County residents)



Solid Waste Management Facility

Recycling & Education Services
7550 Apalachee Parkway
Tallahassee, FL 32311

(850) 606-1823
www.LeonCountyFL.gov/Recycling



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HOW DO I RECYCLE?

Residents living in unincorporated Leon County, and subscribe with Waste Management, Inc. (574-3000) can recycle by placing items in their green curbside bins. Place paper and flattened cardboard in one green bin. Cans and bottles go in the other bin.

City of Tallahassee customers use their two-sided "smart cart" with paper on one side and cans and bottles on the other side. All Leon County residents can bring recyclables to any of the Rural Waste Service Centers listed on the back of this brochure.

WHAT ABOUT...

Plastic Bags?
 Plastic bags are not accepted in curbside recycling bins. Plastic grocery sacks, sandwich shop and newspaper bags are accepted at most grocery stores in Tallahassee. Do not place your recyclables in plastic bags. If you need more room in your bin, flatten cans and bottles. Placing newspapers and other paper in paper sacks is acceptable.

Styrofoam™?
 Styrofoam™ is the brand name for bulky, white packaging foam or polystyrene. It is not accepted in your curbside bin. Please bring this foam to the Recycling Center at the Leon County Solid Waste Facility on Apalachee Parkway for recycling.

Cash for Aluminum?
 Waste Management, Inc., Leon County nor the City of Tallahassee will pay you for aluminum cans. Contact a local scrap dealer to sell your cans.

DID YOU KNOW?
 In 2010, Leon County residents recycled over 10,000 tons of cans, plastic bottles, cardboard and paper!

COMPOST BINS & RAIN BARRELS

Waste reduction and prevention methods help keep garbage out of the landfill. Backyard composting is one way to reduce waste. Place vegetative kitchen scraps and yard debris, such as carrot and potato peels, onion skins, coffee grounds, apple cores, dead weeds, leaves and small amounts of grass clippings, in a **compost bin** to make rich, home grown, "black gold" for your garden. This compost is an excellent soil amendment and reduces methane gases in a landfill. Purchase an Earth Machine™ compost bin for your backyard for only \$45.00.



Conserve water and reduce plant watering costs by using a System™ rain barrel. Rain water is free from chlorine and water treatment chemicals. Collected in a **rain barrel**, this water is an excellent water source for your lawn, plants and garden. Leon County Recycling sells a complete rain barrel system. A fine mesh screen in the lid prevents mosquitos from breeding. Using the water is easy with the built-in spigot at the bottom. Connect two or more barrels together with the included hose. Rain barrels are available for \$55.00.



To purchase a compost bin or rain barrel, go to the scalehouse at the Solid Waste Management Facility on Apalachee Parkway. The scalehouse is open Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

EVENT RECYCLING

Holding a community event? Include recycling! Reserve clear recycling containers to encourage attendees to recycle cans and bottles. Visit our website for reservation forms. Call 606-1823 for more information.



ANNUAL COMMUNITY EVENTS
 Earth Day
 America Recycles Day
 Cans For Cash

RECYCLING

<p>CONTAINERS</p> <p><i>3 Gallons or less Rinse all containers</i></p> <p>Aluminum Cans Tin & Steel Cans Glass Jars & Bottles Plastic Containers <i>Bottles & Jugs</i> <i>Yogurt Cups</i> <i>Butter & Dairy Tubs</i> <i>Plastic Caps & Lids</i></p>  <p>NO Styrofoam™</p>	<p>CARDBOARD/PAPER</p> <p><i>Flatten all boxes</i></p> <p>Cardboard Boxes Cereal Boxes Office Paper Newspaper Phonebooks Paperback Books Magazines Junk Mail Catalogs</p>  <p>NO Plastic Bags</p>
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Leon County is dedicated to "Growing Green."
 These tips will help you with curbside recycling.