

A large volume of material goes in to creating a successful event – from cardboard boxes, pallets and Styrofoam for shipping, to carpet and decor which make the space look fabulous. Not to mention the food and beverages consumed and enjoyed throughout. Although much of this material is used up during the event, or saved and reused afterwards, a lot ends up getting thrown out.

To this end, the Metro Toronto Convention Centre (MTCC) has developed an aggressive waste reduction program.

We continuously strive to be good corporate citizens and to recycle as much as possible, both the material left over from events and that which is generated internally. This is an invitation to our exhibitors, show managers, and service providers to join us as recycling partners. By developing a close partnership, we can work together to meet the global mandate of reducing material sent to landfill - an environmental and economical common sense program.

As with every partnership, we need your help to make these programs successful! Here's how you can participate and make an impact.

## Recycling on the Show Floor

- Use the recycling bins as marked – large bins are made available during move-ins/outs for wood / metal, cardboard / plastic / paper, and organics. If you do not see the bins, please inform one of our Cleaning Staff and they will be pleased to help.
- Keep food separate from other materials – if normally recyclable material is contaminated by food or drink, it will be sent to landfill.

## Recycling in Meeting Rooms & Public Spaces

- Clearly marked recycling bins are conveniently located throughout the centre – the available streams are plastic / metal / glass, organics, paper, and waste.
- It is important to note that this material is only accepted for recycling when it is separated properly at the source – if contamination occurs, the material will be sent to landfill.

## Donations

- If you no longer need certain materials, but they could be used by someone else, keep it aside so we can donate it for you. We work with several local charities and organizations that can use items such as pens, paper and notebooks, binders, bags, samples, furniture, etc.
- Contact an MTCC staff member by email to [donations@mtccc.com](mailto:donations@mtccc.com) to confirm that we can donate the item(s). We will take it from there.

## Promote our Recycling Program

- It is important that everyone involved in the event be aware of the recycling requirements.
- Show Managers, please use the communication tools provided to you by the Exhibitor Services team in all of your printed materials, emails, and brochures.

**Every little bit helps. We are proud of our program, we stand behind it. We want you to benefit from it too!**

## Like to learn more?

Reach out to our Exhibitor Services team for communication material and check out [www.mtccc.com/green](http://www.mtccc.com/green) for information about the Sustainability Program at the MTCC, including food waste management and energy saving measures.