

# GLENDALE RECYCLES BLOCK LEADER PROGRAM



**Recycling Block Leaders** are neighborhood waste reduction and recycling experts. In 2010, the City of Glendale adopted a **Zero Waste Plan**, which includes a goal of 75% waste diversion by 2020 and 90% waste diversion by 2025. We need your help to achieve this goal and reduce waste in Glendale!

## Become a Block Leader

Waste reduction and recycling is best implemented through community effort. Block leaders are experts about the City of Glendale's waste reduction programs and communicate with neighbors about how to reduce waste at home and work.

### Block Leader Skills

- Knowledge of materials collected in the City's Recycling Program
- Familiarity with the Glendale Recycling Center
- Ability to answer unusual household disposal questions (carpet, mattresses, household hazardous waste, etc.)

### Block Leader Requirements

- Interest in recycling and waste reduction
- Neighborhood connection
- Willingness to send a recycling email (created by the City) to neighbors a few times a year
- Attend an annual meeting to provide the City feedback



## How Can We Work Together to Reduce Waste?

- Maximize recycling
- Recycle organics by composting. Attend a compost workshop!
- Donate usable items
- Use communication tools like Next Door or Facebook
- Remove your home from junk mail lists
- Donate usable items (books, clothing, furniture)
- Start a Zero Waste Party pack (reusable plates, cups, napkins, and bowls to share with your neighborhood)
- Use the City of Glendale or the County's Household Hazardous Waste Program
- Visit [earth911.com](http://earth911.com) for locations to reuse and/or recycle just about everything!

## Background Information

The City of Glendale has numerous State mandates, including Assembly Bill 1826, Assembly Bill 1594, Assembly Bill 32 and Assembly Bill 1826. One of these Bills, AB 939, requires the City to achieve a 50% reduction in municipal waste. The progress on

this requirement has varied due to many factors, including population growth, development, economic growth and the recycling market. Below is a chart of the City's progress.

### ANNUAL REPORT DATA

Year	Disposal/Year (Tons)	Population	Disposal/Day (per person)	Percent Diversion
2012	135,367	192,654	3.85	65%
2013	131,771	193,652	3.73	66%
2014	141,846	195,799	3.97	64%
2015	169,754	199,182	4.67	58%
2016	199,199	200,600	5.44	51%

## Other State Requirements

Assembly Bill 341: Mandatory Commercial Recycling

Assembly Bill 1826: Mandatory Organics Recycling

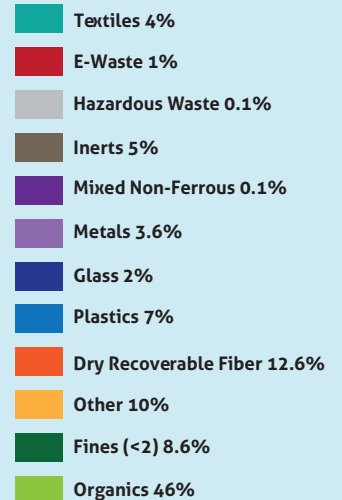
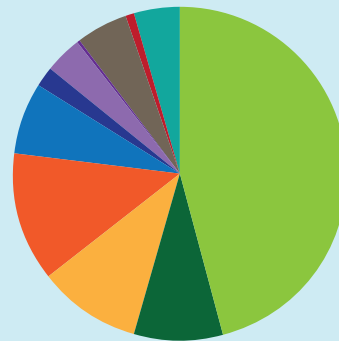
Assembly Bill 1383: Expanded organics recycling as well as food donations requirements

Through a community effort, we hope waste reduction and recycling will become easier.

So, what is in Glendale's garbage? It turns out **46% is organics**, **12.6% is recoverable fiber**, and **10.1% is "other"**. There is also some hazardous waste and a few recyclables.



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