



TerraCycle



[TerraCycle](https://www.terraCycle.com) is an organization that provides solutions to recycling waste! On the website, there are several different recycling programs your chapter can participate in. Chapters should locate the free recycling programs to use. After chapters collect items, they can earn points that could be donated to their school or other charities! (Note: These programs are only available in the United States.)



Free Recycling Programs can be found here:

<https://www.terraCycle.com/en-US/brigades>

There will be many programs your chapter can participate in. They range from collecting used toothbrushes to Solo Cups!

1. Your chapter will be required to make an account.
2. Once you find a program your chapter would like to participate in, click on the program and then press Join Program for Free.

Recycling in partnership with BIC

TerraCycle® and BIC have partnered to create a national recycling program for writing instruments and packaging.

JOIN PROGRAM FOR FREE



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 - a. There is a high chance there will be a waitlist to join the program so you will have to wait to receive a spot.



4. Once accepted, your chapter should start collecting the specified items for the program (**Tips for organizing a collection can be found below**).
5. TerraCycle provides a shipping label for all the programs you've accepted too! Once your chapter is finished collecting, you can find the shipping label on the profile.
 - a. Each program will generate a different shipping label! The website also updates when TerraCycle receives the package.
6. After you've participated in enough programs and earned points, your chapter can redeem points!
 - a. Different programs have different criteria for awarding points! Some may require a weight limit before awarding points. Some have different point equivalents according to the weight of the package.
 - b. More information:
<https://www.terracycle.com/en-US/about-terracycle/points>
 - c. <https://www.terracycle.com/en-US/redeem>
7. For donations to your school or charity, your account must have a minimum of 2500 TerraCycle points.
8. If your charity is not listed yet, a submission must be sent to have a school or charity approved.
<https://www.terracycle.com/en-US/pages/new-charity-approval>

Note: There are different types of free recycling programs. Most programs are the ones that will be shipped. There are several that have to be dropped off, so please keep that in mind when choosing programs!

After you have successfully made an account and enrolled in a program, the chapter will need to coordinate a collection!

Suggestions:

- Recycling program information should be posted substantially early before any collection dates.
 - Information should specify what can be collected!
- Incentivize the recycling!



- Chapters could hold competitions for who can collect the most for the program.
- Send all collected items in one package.
 - Some programs have a weight minimum in order to earn points.

If you have any questions, please email veraluu00@gmail.com! Happy collecting!