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YES YOU CAN, RECYCLE THE CAN!
EVENT RECYCLING PROGRAM

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TAKE YOUR COLLECTED ALUMINUM CANS TO

ST. CROIX

The Boys & Girls Club/RAVI of St. Croix
Estate Anna's Hope
Tel: 636-938-6790

ST. THOMAS/ST. JOHN

Sanitary Trashmoval Services (STS)
1-30-A-1 Subbase
Tel: (340) 775-3670



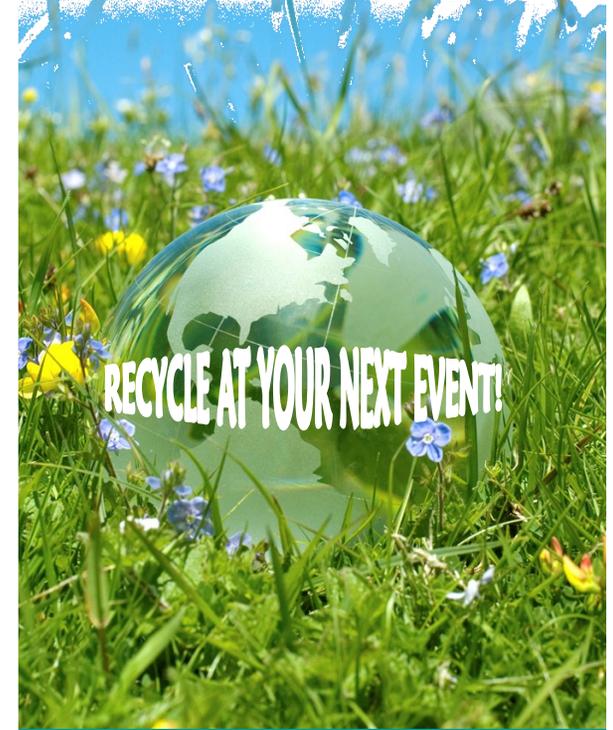
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PROGRAM INTRODUCTION

The *Yes You Can, Recycle the Can!* Event Recycling Program is one of the newest recycling programs developed by the Virgin Islands Waste Management Authority (VIWMA). Our aim is to make it convenient for groups, organizations and businesses to recycle at events where large groups of people assemble.

The Virgin Islands Waste Management Authority is now making recycling bins available for groups and individuals to use to collect aluminum beverage containers at their public or private events. Provided at no cost are labeled recycling receptacles, plastic bags, promotional banners and helpful hints for making the recycling effort successful. The event organizers are responsible for reserving the bins, pick-up and drop off, and recruiting volunteers to manage the recycling activities at their event.

BENEFITS OF EVENT RECYCLING

- Having recycling at events is a great way to reduce the amount of recyclable material going to the landfill, collect valuable containers that would otherwise be thrown away, demonstrate and promote your commitment to a clean and waste-wise event. In many cases, trash disposal has been reduced by half.
- To reserve the bins for an event or for more information, contact the Recycling Coordinator at 340-712-4961 or 340-712-4962.

RECYCLING EQUIPMENT YOU CAN BORROW:

- 20 Gallon Recycling Receptacles
- 3' x 6' Banner
- Signs, flyers and brochures promoting the VIWMA Event Recycling Program

WHY RECYCLE ALUMINUM CANS: THE MANY BENEFITS

Aluminum can recycling provides many environmental, economic and community benefits to individuals, communities, organizations, companies and industries.

ENVIRONMENTAL BENEFITS

- Recycling aluminum cans saves precious natural resources, energy, time and money, not to mention landfill space

- Aluminum cans are unique! 60 days after a can is dropped off for recycling, it is turned into a new can and returned back on store shelves
- Aluminum can recycling saves 95% of the energy needed to make aluminum from raw bauxite

ECONOMIC BENEFITS

- Other types of aluminum, such as siding, guttering, car components, storm window frames, and lawn furniture can also be recycled, which can earn you money
- Today it is cheaper, faster and more energy-efficient to recycle aluminum than ever before
- Aluminum continues to provide an economic incentive to recycle

COMMUNITY BENEFITS

- Aluminum can recycling enables charitable organizations and groups to earn funds. The money earned can be used to enhance programs and communities
- Encourages communities to get involved in recycling

RECYCLING FACTS & FIGURES

- Today, the U.S. recycles 33% of its waste, a rate that has almost doubled during the past 15 years.
- Recycling saves energy and reduces greenhouse gas emissions that cause global warming. If the recycling rate for aluminum and steel cans, plastic PET and glass containers, newsprint and corrugated packaging were to increase a mere 10%, an additional 3.9 million tons of materials would be recycled, saving enough energy to:
 1. Heat 1.5 million American homes in a moderate climate for one year.
 2. Provide the required electricity to 1.8 million Americans for one year.
 3. Save Americans about \$957 million in avoided costs for barrels of crude oil.

A FEW HELPFUL TIPS

Tips for a successful recycling program at your special event

- Make it convenient for attendees
- Place recycling and garbage containers together at well-travelled locations—food areas, restrooms, entrances and exits. Patrons will most likely not go out of their way to recycle if a trash can is more convenient.

- If your event vendors will be selling beverages choose containers that can be recycled such as aluminum, encourage both vendors and event participants to recycle.
- Provide Concessionaires or Vendors with provided correspondence and guidelines
- Assign a designated person to monitor recycling locations to reduce trash contamination.
- If you or your guests can't reuse decorations, consider donating them. Donate reusable items to schools and local art organizations.
- Consider donating your fundraising proceeds to local charities or schools.

FOLLOW THESE FRIENDLY GUIDELINES

1. Apply Today!
2. Collect aluminum beverage cans only. Do not include steel cans, such as, soup cans, etc.
3. Be sure to collect only empty aluminum cans
4. If possible, rinse cans before placing them in receptacles to prevent bees and other pest from tampering with collection
5. All aluminum beverage cans will be accepted and can be crushed
6. Do not place dirt, gravel or any other material into cans
7. Keep cans in a safe, dry location accessible for the collection agent to pick-up on schedule
8. Place aluminum cans in trash bags and keep bags closed to prevent scavengers, bees and bugs, which may pose a threat to health and well being
9. Assign a motivated staff member or volunteer to monitor overall can collection activities at your event

OTHER ITEMS YOU CAN RECYCLE AT EVENTS

The following may be collected at your event in Blue Boxes.

- Newspapers
- Scrap Paper
- Compostable Items

Thank You for Recycling!

