

# Interested in engaging your community in systems of upcycling and reuse?



Spanning Central Appalachia (the Ohio River Valley connecting WV, KY, OH, PA and VA), the ReUse Corridor connects communities with partners to share, capture and transform resources.

From 2020-2021, the ReUse Corridor has diverted over 150,000 lbs of salvageable resources from landfill.

If you are without recycling and waste reduction options in your area you can be the one to facilitate material management. By connecting and working with the ReUse Corridor and it's partners, you can host a collection event where your community can drop off items to be recycled, up cycled or reused.

## The ReUse Corridor is

An emerging federation of organizations and other stakeholders invested in reintegrating the traditional values of resource conservation and material reuse within their business models to create jobs, strengthen economies, and build resilient communities. These organizations and individuals include material generators, collectors, and aggregators, up cyclers, makers, craftsmen, and manufacturers aligned to share, capture, and transform resources.

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# How To: \_\_\_\_\_ Host a Collection Event



## Team Building :

Your team can consist of community members and organization representatives that share your enthusiasm for a collection event in your area.

Team members: planners, a few volunteers to facilitate the drop off and loading for transportation, partner that will take collected items and a potential location host.

## Steps for hosting:

1. Identify the materials you want to collect.
2. Establish a team.
3. Find a partner that will host and or take the collected materials.
4. Set day(s) and time(s) for collection and drop off.
5. Check in with the ReUse Corridor Manager.
6. Secure a source of transportation.
7. Spread the word!  
(make a post, contact the news)
8. Finally, host the event!

## Spread the word :

Contact local news with a press release or ask them to report, share on social media, post flyers in public places, partner with local waste management / collectors to help spread the word and let your community know about the drop off event.

## Transportation :

Transportation may be provided by either the collection partner that you chose to work with or by the ReUse Corridor, you can contact Baleigh, the ReUse Corridor Manager to help you establish the mode of transportation for your collected materials.



## Collection Partners:

(See key for materials processed by individual partners)

### KY

- The Neighborhood - A. ++
- Central Job Bank and Opportunity Center - A.
- Bitsource - K., N.
- Appcycled - A.

### OH

- Athens Hocking Recycling Center - K.
- Upcycle Ohio Thrift - A.
- PureCycle - K.,
- The RePower Network - B.
- Miltin Mattress Recycling - C.
- Livingston Steel - E., D., F.
- Polymer Solutions - K.
- Habitat for Humanity (Restore) J., L., M., N. ++
- Rural Action - ++

### PA

- Construction Junction - N.
- Reimagined Recycling - K.

### VA

- Appalachian Voices - K.
- University of Virginia's College at Wise - G., H.
- Wise co. Litter Control & Recycling Dpt. - G., K.

### WV

- Habitat for Humanity (Restore) - J., L., M., N. ++
- Marshall University - G., H.
- Goodwill Industries - A., D., E., M., J., L., O., P., Q. ++
- Taylor Iron - E., F.
- The Metal Center - F.
- Lenore School - D.
- Mingo Co. Recycling -
- Infinite Electronics Recycling - E.
- Coalfield Deconstruct. - I. ++
- High Rocks - E.

## Types of materials to collect:

(Generally, it is best to pick one or similar categories at a time to collect.)

- A. Textiles
- B. Batteries
- C. Mattresses/boxsprings
- D. Cardboard
- E. Electronics
- F. Metal
- G. Glass
- H. Compost
- I. Wood
- J. Books
- K. Plastics
- L. Furniture
- M. Paint
- N. Construction/deconst.
- O. Vinyl / Disc media
- P. Paper
- Q. Shoes, belts, purses, scarves, backpacks, stuffed animals
- ++ Transport Provider



### Collectors / Collection sites:

Once you have decided what material you would like people to drop off and have identified a partner who takes those items, you can reach out to us for their contact info or we can communicate with them for you.

Collection sites that work well for drop off events include; big parking lots, fair grounds, education centers, and solid waste authority centers.

Please reach out to Baleigh Epperly at [Bepperly@coalfield-development.org](mailto:Bepperly@coalfield-development.org) for partner contact info and help with any questions or concerns you may have.

