

Did you know?

RECYCLING SAVES ENERGY

EVERY TIME A NEW PRODUCT IS MADE FROM RAW MATERIALS, LARGE AMOUNTS OF ENERGY ARE CONSUMED. RECYCLING PRODUCTS DECREASES THE AMOUNT OF ENERGY IT TAKES TO PRODUCE THESE ITEMS.

WHY
SHOULD
WE
CARE?



Recycling uses
LESS energy



so FEWER fossil fuels
are burned



which REDUCES carbon
dioxide in the atmosphere



and DECREASES
greenhouse gases



which DECREASES
global warming.



Using recycled scraps
to make aluminum cans
uses 95 percent **less** energy than
making cans from raw materials.



It takes 75 percent
less energy to make
recycled steel than steel
produced from raw materials.

ENERGY IS USED IN THE
4 STAGES OF PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT:
EXTRACTION OF RAW MATERIALS
MANUFACTURE OF RAW MATERIALS INTO PRODUCTS
PRODUCT USE BY CONSUMERS
PRODUCT DISPOSAL

Energy plays a role in all 4 stages!
Knock out one of these steps by recycling and you've saved energy.

Resolve to make the holiday season greener.

- Use a reusable bag and/or put purchases in a bag you're already carrying.
- Purchase baking supplies from a bulk food store.
Get creative with gift wrap:
- Use cloth shopping bags, boxes, tins or tea towels they can be reused and double as a second gift!
- Decorate craft or office paper with crayon drawings, cartoon Strips, stickers; photos, or pine cones.
- Recycle greeting cards by cutting out the images to make gift tags.