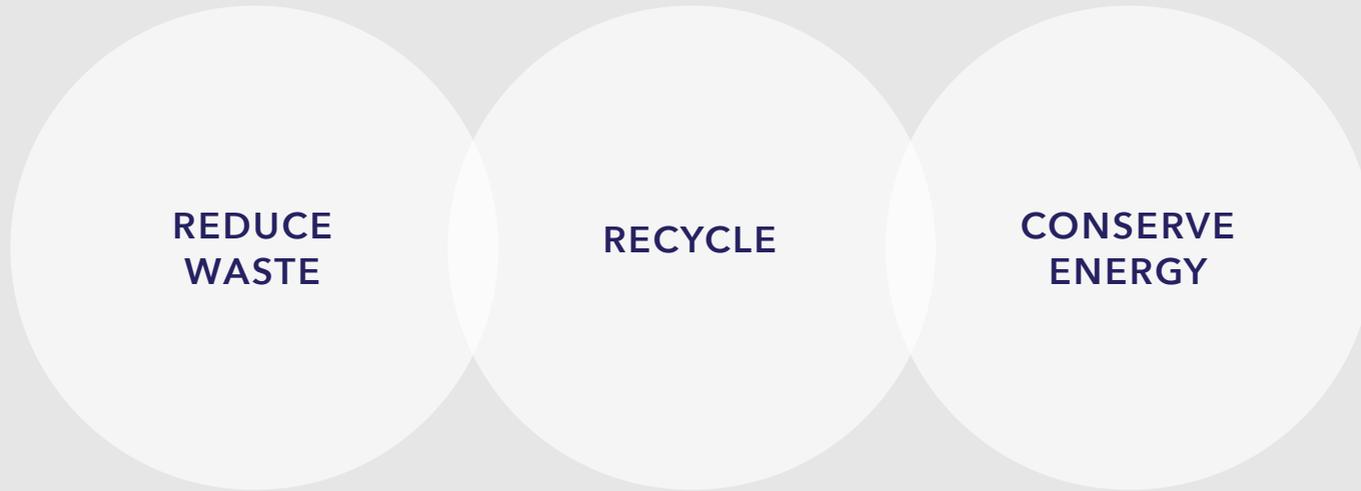




DO THE
RIGHT
THING

MRU SUSTAINABILITY

PURPOSE: Support Goal 10 of University's Strategic Plan of promoting environmental sustainability



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WHY IT MATTERS



When you recycle and conserve energy, you reduce our environmental footprint.



MRU will be fined for sending paper or food waste to the landfill.

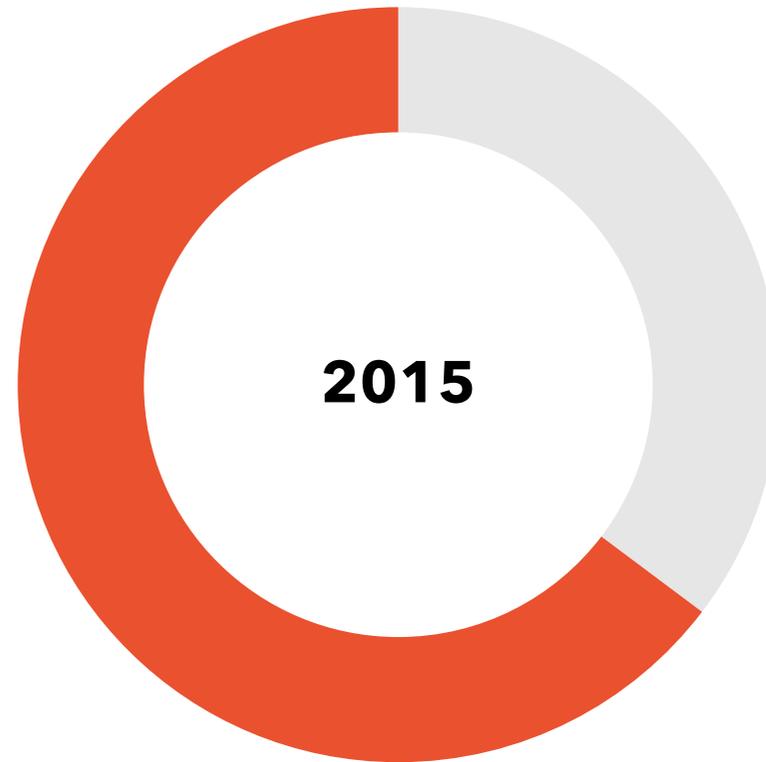


We can save the University tens of thousands of dollars per year

2015 WASTE AUDIT

Current Diversion Rate

Mount Royal University
generated **376.59 tonnes of
waste and recyclables in 2015.**
That equals the weight of 250
mid-sized cars.



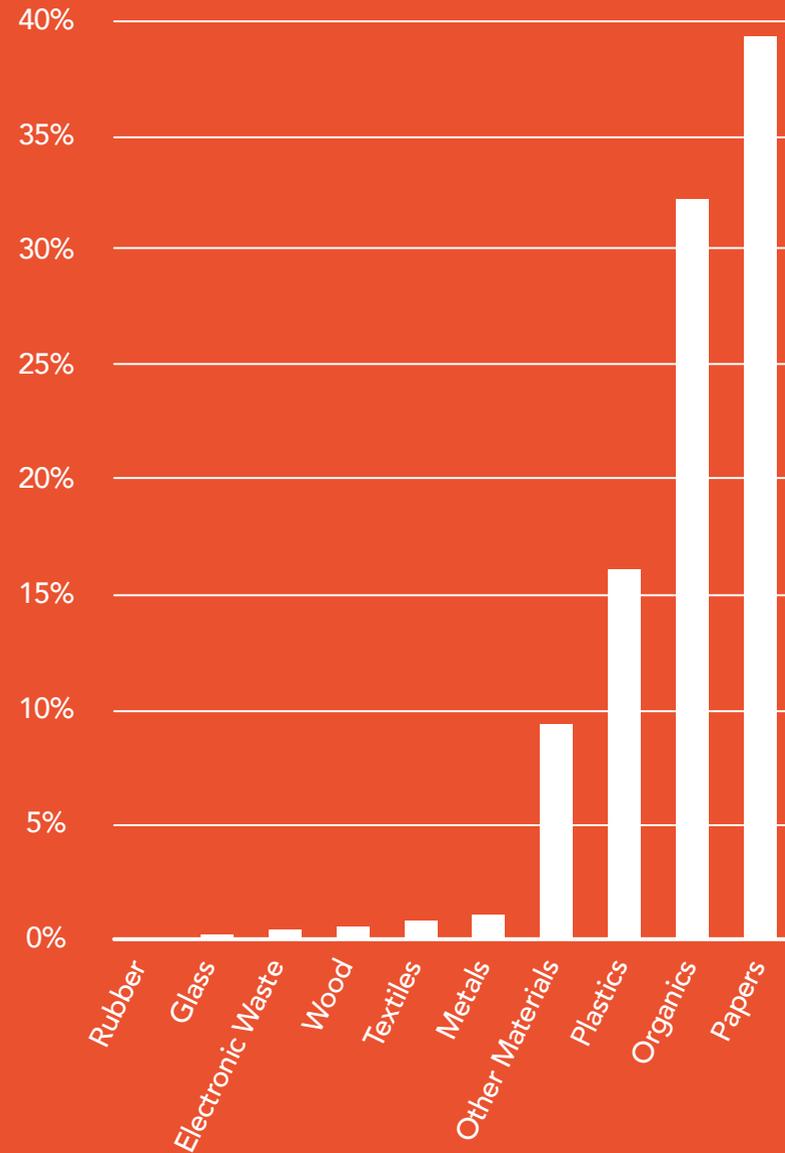
65% of our waste goes to landfill
35% is diverted

GOAL: Double diversion rate to 70% this year.

FINDINGS

Waste Composition

MRU's waste composition includes a lot of materials that can be recycled on campus. Paper makes up nearly 40% of what we currently send to the landfill.



DO THE RIGHT THING

You can recycle more at MRU

You can recycle more at MRU than you can using your bins at home.

Only 3% belongs in the landfill

The only items that belong in your garbage are gum, straws, styrofoam, cellophane wrappers for candy, granola bars and chips, and plastic like cutlery without a recycling symbol.



When in doubt, choose mixed recycle

When in doubt, choose a 'mixed recycle' bin, not a garbage can.

In November no organics can be sent to the landfill.

Currently, our mixed recycle and garbage look almost identical in content and volume.

Sleep mode uses more energy

Sleep mode and screensavers still use power. If every computer is shut down at night, it will save the University \$33,000 / year.

CONSERVE ENERGY

Plug in fewer items.

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Close the blinds on hot, sunny days to keep the space from heating up.

Turn off the lights when they aren't needed.

We spend up to \$300,000 / year to light our campus



REDUCE WASTE

97% of what you
use in a day can be
recycled.

In November,
recycling of organics
becomes mandatory.
The more we divert
from the landfill,
the more money we
save.

Use refillable travel
mugs and water
bottles.
Use less paper.

RECYCLE

MRU's 'I-WALK' Program

By January 2018, most of the under-the-desk garbage bins at people's work stations will be gone.

A big part of our current problem, and our greatest risk for being fined is because these bins do not get sorted. Everything is sent for the landfill.

Take a few steps to a common recycling bin to do the right thing.

Common Bins

Depending on your area we will supply either side-by-side bins or a stacking set with a lidded Organics bin in your kitchen, boardroom and coffee stations.

By printers and heavy paper use areas, a Paper Recycle bin will also be available.

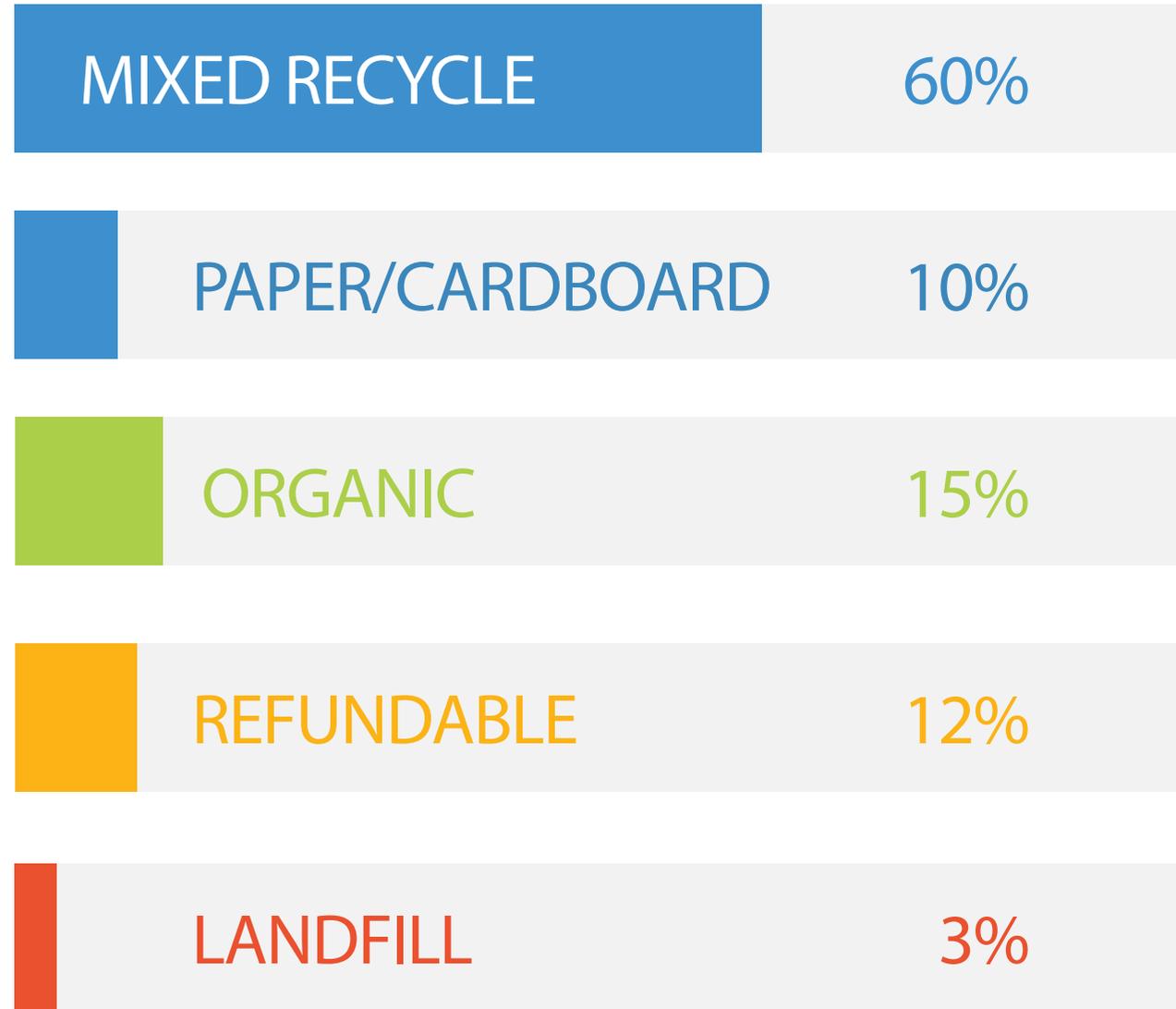
MRU'S BINS



Use **paper recycling** bins in heavy paper use areas or mixed recycle bins.

RECYCLE

Sort your waste and recycling using bins on campus.



WHAT GOES WHERE?

Landfill/waste

- Non-recyclable plastics – straws, plastic stir sticks, or hard clear plastic
- Styrofoam
- Cellophane wrappers
- Chewing gum



CELLOPHANE WRAPPING

WHAT GOES WHERE?

Organic

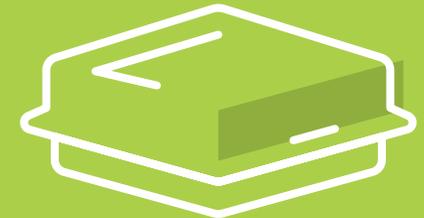
- All food waste
- Good Earth drink and food containers
- Green Cups (organic coffee cups)
- Bella lobby drink glasses
- Paper towerls, napkins and tissue
- Wooden items
- Cardboard takeout clams
- Coffe grounds, filters and tea bags



ALL FOOD WASTE



TISSUE / NAPKINS AND
PAPER TOWELS



CARDBOARD
TAKEOUT CLAMS

WHAT GOES WHERE?

Refundable

- Aluminum cans
- Plastic bottles
- Milk and juice cartons
- Tetra-paks

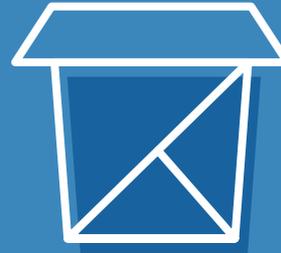
The revenue received through the Refundable Recycle waste stream goes back into improving our campus.



WHAT GOES WHERE?

Mixed Recycle

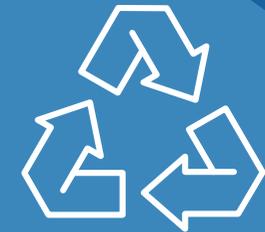
- Paper products – magazines, newspaper, office paper, posters, etc.
- Cardboard and flattened paperboard
- Coffee cups and lids, plastic & paper take out containers
- Glass bottles and jars (rinsed)
- Metals – tin, aluminum, metal and steel cans (rinsed)
- Plastic with recycling symbol
- Shrink wrap, stretch wrap and bubble wrap



WAXY TAKEOUT
CONTAINERS



COFFEE CUPS



PLASTICS



GLASS / METALS



PAPER PRODUCTS



PLASTIC CUPS

WHEN IN DOUBT,
CHOOSE MIXED RECYCLE

WHAT GOES WHERE?: SPECIALTY ITEMS

Electronics and Writing Tools

- Batteries
- Cellphones
- Digital cameras, GPS and calculators
- Ball point pens

Drop bins are available in the Library, Bookstore and Parking Office, for recycling these items.

Hazardous Waste Disposal



Please contact:

Arleta, ext. 5629 | atyzo@mtroyal.ca

Environmental Health & Safety

Electronic Recycling and printer cartridges are recycled through *Shipping and Receiving*.

DO THE RIGHT THING

DO THE RIGHT THING

- Only straws, gum, styrofoam and cellophane wrappers belong in landfill bins.
- Use less paper, and recycle what you do use.
- When in doubt, choose mixed recycle.
- When you recycle and conserve energy, you reduce our environmental footprint and save MRU tens of thousands of dollars per year.



thank
you

FOR YOUR COMMITMENT
TO SUSTAINABILITY AT MRU



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