



Aluminum Recycling



In Minnesota many companies who accept aluminum cans for recycling prepare and process the cans so that they can be taken to several larger companies who melt down the aluminum and create aluminum can sheets. The sheets of aluminum are then sold in rolls to be re-manufactured into new aluminum cans, as well as many other products.

Where Aluminum Recycling Goes:

- Contact your local solid waste and recycling coordinator to find locations to recycle aluminum and other scrap metal:
 - Go to www.rethinkrecycling.com if you live in the Twin Cities metro.
 - Go to www.recyclemoreminnesota.org if you live in Greater Minnesota.
- **Alter Trading Corp.** (Locations in: Anoka, Hayfield, Marshall, Mankato and St. Paul): Alter Scrap has many locations throughout the Midwest that processes and markets scrap metal collected. www.altertrading.com.
- **Kirschbaum & Krupp Metal Recycling** (Located in Minneapolis): Established in 1959, Kirschbaum & Krupp accepts non-ferrous scrap metal for recycling. www.kirschbaumkrupp.com.

How Aluminum Recycling Helps Minnesota's Economy:

- Recycling aluminum saves 95% of the energy needed to produce new aluminum from raw materials.
- Energy saved from recycling one ton of aluminum is equal to the amount of electricity the average home uses over 10 years!

How Aluminum Recycling Helps Minnesota's Environment:

- Aluminum is a durable and sustainable metal. Over two-thirds of aluminum ever produced is still in use today!
- In 2009, Minnesotans recycled over 38,500 tons of aluminum. By recycling our aluminum cans, Minnesota did not have to mine for 192,500 tons of bauxite ore to make the cans from virgin materials. Using recycled aluminum to make new cans results in huge energy, water, and carbon emission savings.

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