



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 that melt down the aluminum and create aluminum can sheets. The sheets of aluminum are then sold in rolls to be 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.com if you live in Greater Minnesota.
- **Alter Trading Corp.** (Locations in: Anoka, Hayfield, Marshall, Mankato, and St. Paul): Alter Scrap processes and markets scrap metal that has been collected. See www.altertrading.com for more information.
- **Kirschbaum & Krupp Metal Recycling** (Located in Minneapolis): Established in 1959, Kirschbaum & Krupp accepts non-ferrous scrap metal for recycling. See www.kirschbaumkrupp.com for more information.

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 equivalent to the amount of electricity an 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 2011, Minnesotans recycled over 40,018 tons of aluminum. Using recycled aluminum to make new cans results in energy, water, and carbon emission savings.