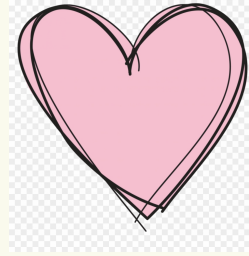


## Happy Valentine's Day! Recycle Right to Make it Sweet



Recycle: • Plain paper cards • cardboard candy boxes • envelopes • paper flower wrap • wine bottles

Trash: • Anything with glitter, ribbons, foil, plastic • balloons • candy wrappers • cellophane bouquet wrappers

Reuse: Return vases to florist. Most will accept them.



## How to Reduce Your Amazon Packaging Waste!

Fed up with all that packaging? If you must order from Amazon (shopping locally is more sustainable), try these solutions.

- **Consolidate your orders.** Purchase items that are labeled "Fulfilled by Amazon." It can work if they are available from the same Fulfillment Center, purchased from the same account on the same day and shipped to the same address. [Click here for more information.](#)
- **Ask for "[Frustration Free Packaging.](#)"** Items are sent in smaller boxes with recyclable packing materials. No bubble-wrap, plastic inserts, blister packs, packaging peanuts, wire ties, clam shells, & shredded paper. Also boxes inside of boxes. Click on this [brief video](#) to see what it looks like.

*To access, choose "Ship in Amazon packaging" at checkout. Not all items are available. Items that are, are listed on the product page with the following language: "Item arrives in packaging that reveals what's inside." The language is confusing-- packages do not have cutouts or windows.*

- **Recycle Blue Plastic bubble wrap envelopes** at Grocery Stores with other plastic bags. The paper address labels must be cut out. Please never put these in your curbside recycling bin!



## Attention Residents of Apartments and Condos

Recycling is now mandatory for all apartments, condos & businesses in Salem!

*All haulers who pick up trash in Salem must now pick up recyclables, too.*

For more information or to report an infraction, contact the Health Department, (978) 741-1800. Here's a link to the new [regulation](#).

## What's Happening to the Recycling Materials Salem Collects?

Everyone has heard about the nationwide recycling crisis. Well, here's the good news in Salem. **Everything in Salem is still being recycled.**

Waste Management (our hauler) has been able to find markets to distribute our materials; it just takes a little longer. **Nothing is being trashed.**



Check out [this link](#) which describes how each recycling material is used and/or turned into finished products.

## Upcoming Events

March 14 - Free Book Swap, Salem Community Life Center

March 28 - Repair Cafe, Bridge at 211

March 28 - E-Waste Recycling

For more information visit [GreenSalem.com](http://GreenSalem.com)

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