What Do Your Recyclables Become?

At Penn Waste, our goal is to partner with our customers throughout south central Pennsylvania to create a green community together. As part of our continuing commitment to help educate children and adults on the importance of recycling, here's a guide to what some of your recyclable items like paper, cardboard, and plastic become after they've been sorted, processed and reused.

Magazines

Paperboard, Telephone Directories, Newspapers

Paperboard, Mixed Paper & Junk Mail

Paper backing on Roofing Shingles, Paper Towel Rolls, New Paperboard Packaging

Cardboard

Paper Bags, New Cardboard, Paperboard, Cardboard Medium (corrugated middle part)

Notebook & Computer Paper

Steel/Tin Cans → Bike Parts, Rebar, Car Parts, Steel Beams, Appliances, New Cans
Aluminum Cans → New Aluminum Cans
Glass Bottles → New Bottles, New Jars, Fiberglass, Sand used in construction projects
Plastics → Carpet, Backpacks, Polar Fleece, Sleeping Bag and Ski Jacket insulation, Plastic Lumber for Decking and Docks, Play Sets, New Bottles, Buckets, Containers, Frisbees, Stadium Seats
Cartons → Paper Towels, Tissues, Napkins, Computer Paper