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Recycling Business Assistance Center



The Recycling Business Assistance Center focuses on the economic and environmental importance of the recycling industry. North Carolina's "recycling economy" employs more than 15,000 people and is one of the fastest growing job engines in the state. Making products from recovered materials saves energy, water, reduces air pollution and decreases demands on virgin natural resources.

Whether working with a start-up, existing or relocating recycling business, RBAC helps businesses grow in a variety of ways. RBAC works one-on-one with recycling companies to assess needs and provide direct and indirect assistance through our partnering agencies. To learn more about RBAC, click [here](#).

RBAC produces a quarterly newsletter discussing current topics of interest to recycling businesses, including information on financing opportunities, commodity markets and new technologies. To view or subscribe to Recycling Works, please click [here](#).

Tip....

What do you do with a string of lights that no longer work?

Recycle them of course, and receive a credit for next year's lights. Some companies, like Holiday LED accept old strings of lights and rather than sending them to the landfill, recycle them. The company offers a coupon toward the purchase of new lights. To learn more, click [here](#).

NC WasteTrader

NC WasteTrader is North Carolina's marketplace for discarded or surplus materials and products. This waste exchange service is designed to divert mostly industrial recoverable materials from disposal while providing feedstocks and supplies to potential users. Businesses can view available wanted materials and may list materials generated at their own facilities. To learn more, click [here](#).

Client Highlight: Reflective Recycling

RBAC recently assisted the expansion of Reflective Recycling Inc, a processor of post-consumer and industrial glass. RBAC worked with Reflective to locate a new facility in Wilson County, creating 40 new jobs and investing \$8.5M in the eastern North Carolina economy. At the plant, Reflective uses sophisticated equipment to clean recycled glass, or "cullet," and then supplies the material primarily to the Verallia plant in Wilson, which makes glass bottles and jars for customers such as Anheuser-Busch and Mt. Olive Pickles. Reflective's hauling services arm, Bev Con, is also a major collector of glass from bars and restaurants throughout the state. "Support of Reflective Recycling by RBAC has been outstanding and has helped us greatly increase the efficiency and output of our processing lines," said Bill Clark, Reflective's director of Supply & Compliance.

Dates to Remember:

[2013 Recycling Business Development Grants RFP](#) due date Feb. 1.

[Environmental Stewardship Initiative or ESI Annual Meeting](#) is March 12 at the [Nature Resource Center](#). Register [here](#).

Environmental Management System 101 training class for [Environmental Stewardship Initiative or ESI](#) members is May 8. Sign up to join the ESI today at no cost.

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