

## How can you make a difference?

### How can you help?

You can help reduce the amount of rubbish by minimising the amount of waste you produce, and by re-using and recycling where you can.

#### Follow these five easy steps:

##### 1. Buy less or buy in bulk

Buy only what you need to minimise wastage and where possible buy products with very little packaging.



##### 2. Recycle items in yellow-lid bin

Put packaging materials - paper, cardboard, glass and plastic bottles, cans - in your yellow-lid recycling bin.



##### 3. Dispose of household hazardous waste and electronic waste wisely

Keep all household hazardous waste (such as poisonous or chemical substances) out of your bins. Take it to a permanent drop-off facility at Tamala Park or Balcatta where you can dispose of it for free.



##### 4. Large and bulky items

Put these items on your verge when your Council holds a bulk waste collection. Or take them to Tamala Park or the Recycling Centre Balcatta. Fees may apply.

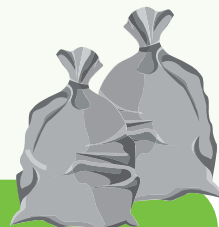


##### 5. Everything else goes in to your green-lid rubbish bin

Whatever household rubbish is left after following the first 4 steps goes into your green-lid rubbish bin for weekly collection by your local Council. Stirling residents put both recycling and household rubbish in the single yellow-lid bin.



*"At home, we need to reduce, reuse and recycle – and dispose wisely."*



**Reduce** our consumption so we produce less rubbish.



**Reuse** what you currently have, for example give old clothes or toys to someone who can use them.



**Recycle** packaging materials like bottles, cans and cardboard that can be processed into new materials and products. Put these in your yellow-lid bin.

# Would you like to become an Earth Carer?

## Become an Earth Carer!

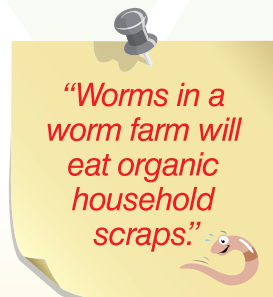
Our Earth Carers training program is FREE and covers:

- The history of rubbish;
- How we deal with rubbish in Perth and in your neighbourhood;
- How to reduce, reuse and recycle;
- Tour of Tamala Park landfill and Recycling Centre and the Resource Recovery Facility at Neerabup;
- Demonstrations of reusing organics including worm farms and composting;
- How to communicate the responsible waste message to others.

**Help us spread these important messages! Call the MRC on 08 9306 6348 to find out about the next FREE training course.**

## How can you help recycle household scraps?

Most Councils sell worm farms and compost bins. You can use your own food and garden scraps to make compost in your garden. Ask your Council for details.



Worms are the world's best recyclers



## Phone numbers for your local Council

City of Joondalup	9400 4000
City of Perth	9461 3421
City of Stirling	9345 8555
City of Wanneroo	9405 5000
Town of Cambridge	9347 6000
Town of Victoria Park	9311 8111
Town of Vincent	9273 6000
Mindarie Regional Council	9306 6303

### Recycling Centres

Bring items for re-use or recycling to one of these two Recycling Centres, free of charge.

#### Tamala Park

1700 Marmion Ave,  
Mindarie  
Phone 9306 6303

#### Recycling Centre Balcatta

238 Balcatta Rd, Open 7 Days  
Balcatta Hours 7.30am - 4pm  
Phone 9345 8555

(Both closed Christmas Day, New Years Day and Good Friday)

