



Businesses & Non-Profits

Does your organization want to reduce the amount of garbage generated? Do you wish you had a solution to a recycling problem at work? Ask us how we can help! In addition to our assistance we are well connected to organizations in Minnesota that may also be of help to your situations at work. Some of these provide free or low cost services. Technical assistance is available for existing and new businesses that seek to improve environmental performance and prevent pollution.

Small Business Environmental Assistance Program provides free, confidential, environmental assistance to small businesses. RETAP employs skilled, retired professionals to provide no-cost, non-regulatory facility assessments to small businesses and public and private institutions.

MnTAP: Minnesota Technical Assistance Program is located at the University of Minnesota, and provides on-site and telephone assistance, interns, an information clearinghouse, and a coordinating role in the state materials exchange program. MnTAP's services to Minnesota businesses and organizations has substantial economic and environmental benefits.

Minnesota Waste Wise is a non-profit assistance program of the Minnesota Chamber of Commerce. It is designed to help businesses develop effective waste reduction and recycling programs and find new markets for waste materials.

Minnesota Materials Exchange is a free service that connects businesses that have reusable goods to those who can use them. The Materials Exchange can help you find low or no-cost materials, save money on disposal costs and find new markets for surplus materials.

Enterprise Minnesota helps manufacturing companies become operationally efficient and well positioned to grow profitably.

Energy Business Center, a program of the Minnesota Department of Commerce, offers assistance to businesses on energy efficient technologies.

BIG IMPACT

- **Save money by reducing your garbage.** There is no tax on recyclables or organics in Minnesota, but there is a 17% state solid waste management tax charged on all commercial trash.
- **Save money by reducing fees.** By keeping recyclables and organics out of your trash, you may be able to reduce the container size or frequency of your trash collection.
- **Community leadership:** Your organization has the potential to inspire improvements in the areas of recycling, material reuse, and waste reduction. Do you have the ability to lead by example?



Questions? Contact Lyon County Environmental Office

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Open Monday-Friday: 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. 2nd Saturday of each month 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

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