



Mattress & Box Frame Recycling

Small Effort: Recycle your mattress and box springs / frames.

BIG IMPACT



- **Local jobs for adults with disABILITIES.** Competitive employment for adults with the abilities to disassemble mattresses. On an average day, 18–20 mattresses will be recycled with an estimate of 3,000 mattresses/year!
- **Did you know 80% of a mattress can be recycled?** Recyclable materials from beds create carpet padding, textiles and wood chips.
- **Save money.** Recycling mattresses saves money on the wasted air space that they typically take up in the landfill.

\$20
PER PIECE
RECYCLING
FEE

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Frequently Asked Questions!*



Take to: Lyon County Household Hazardous Waste Facility

504 Fairgrounds Road, Marshall, MN 56258 **phone:** 507-532-8210
Open Monday–Friday: 8 a.m.–4:30 p.m. 2nd Saturday of each month 9 a.m.–2 p.m.

Cash, check, debit card or credit card (Visa, Discover, Mastercard) accepted.
A convenience fee is charged for using debit/credit cards. Fees subject to change.



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Frequently Asked Questions:

- 1. What items are accepted for mattress recycling?** Bed, futon, and sleep number mattresses and box springs / frames for crib, twin, double, queen, and king sizes.
- 2. What items are NOT accepted for mattress recycling?** Air mattresses, water beds, bed frames, and other furniture. (These items need to be taken to the landfill for disposal)
- 3. What condition should the mattress be in?** Mattresses accepted for recycling will be inspected upon arrival, and any that are filthy, soaked, or show signs of mold, damage, or bed bug infestation will NOT be accepted.
- 4. What if my mattress is unacceptable?** If the mattress cannot be recycled, you will need to take it to the landfill for a disposal cost of \$60.
- 5. Where should I bring my recyclable mattress?** Bring your mattress to the Lyon County Household Hazardous Waste Facility. *The landfill does NOT collect mattresses for recycling.*
- 6. Why is it important to recycle mattresses and box springs / frames?** A mattress uses considerable air space in a landfill due to the metal springs, foam padding, and cotton. For instance, a cubic yard of a mattress weighs around 80 pounds, while a cubic yard of typical landfill waste weighs around 1,000 pounds. This means 920 pounds of landfill waste is displaced, filling the available landfill space faster than expected. Furthermore, 80% of a mattress is recyclable, so it just makes sense!
- 7. What do you do with the mattresses?** The mattresses are disassembled and the materials are sorted and sent out to be used for wood chips, textiles, scrap metal, and carpet padding.
- 8. Is there a fee for mattresses and box frames?** There is a fee of \$20 per mattress (*box spring / frame is free*). This money goes towards competitive wages for Advance Opportunities employees to disassemble, as well as for the cost of processing. We are able to recycle mattresses and box springs / frames at this low cost due to the space and money saved in the landfill.
- 9. Can someone pick up my mattress and/or box springs / frames for me?** No, please bring your mattress and box springs / frame to the Lyon County HHW Facility. (Public Works)
- 10. Can I leave my mattress by my recycling cart for collection?** No, a mattress will not be picked up with regular recycling.
- 11. Will there be someone on site to help me unload my items?** Yes, we will help you unload your items. Do not leave your mattress or box spring / frame at the site if an employee is not there to accept it.



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