## WASTE NOTes



## National Recycling Week 11 - 17 November

National Recycling Week is here. Held from 11 - 17 November, it's the perfect opportunity to take a look at how improving recycling is part of Queensland's vision to become a zero waste society.

## Queensland councils to receive more than \$13 million for waste initiatives

The Queensland Government's Let's Get it Sorted Partnership Program will deliver more than \$13 million to councils to support waste reduction initiatives.



The first tranche of the program, funded by

Queensland's waste levy as part of the Recycling and Jobs Fund, will see \$7.15 million go to 26 councils and two Regional Organisations of Councils (ROCs).

The program provides councils with a framework, tools, and funding to help improve household recycling habits and tackle littering and illegal dumping issues.

This program supports the Queensland Government's transition to a circular economy, where waste is avoided and valuable resources are reused and recycled to the greatest possible extent.

Read more about the program here.

**Recycling around the home** 

We all have a part to play in boosting recycling rates and reducing the amount of waste that goes to landfill. Reducing and reusing materials where possible is a great start, but let's celebrate National Recycling Week by fine-tuning our recycling habits and paying attention to what goes into our yellow lid bins.



**Keep it loose!** Bundling recyclable items within a bag or box can affect the sorting process. If the material recovery facility (MRF) is unable to recognise or sort the items, we can lose valuable materials to landfill.



**Make sorting recyclable items simple** – keep a dedicated basket in the kitchen, laundry and bathroom to keep your recyclable items separate and streamline bin day.



**Not all items that are recyclable can go in the yellow lid bin.** Check with your council or use resources like <u>Recycle Mate</u>, <u>B-cycle</u>, and <u>mobile muster</u> for information about how to safely recycle specific our local area

items in your local area.

Each of us has a role in reducing the waste that ends up in landfill. For helpful tips and resources on recycling, visit our website.



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