Recycling Facts

- Secycling 1 aluminum can saves enough electricity to power a TV or a 100-watt light bulb for three hours.
- Paper alone accounts for approximately 40% of the municipal waste stream.
- Every ton of paper recycled saves 17 trees, 3 cubic yards of landfill space, 4,100 kilowatts of energy, 380 gallons of oil, and 7,000 gallons of water.
- Secycling paper reduces air pollution by 74% and water pollution by 35%.
- Americans use more than 67 million tons of paper per year, or about 580 pounds per person.
- Making recycled paper instead of new paper uses 64% less energy and uses 58% less water.
- Severy day American businesses generate enough paper to circle the earth 20 times.
- One tree can filter up to 60 pounds of pollutants from the air each year.
- More than 1/3 of all fiber used to make paper comes from recycled paper.
- If Stonehill College recycles just one 64 gallon barrel of office paper monthly, you and your co-workers will be saving 17 trees a year.
- Glass is the only recyclable material that can reproduce itself.