

# The 3 R's of RECYCLING

Waste has both environmental and economic impacts and affects everybody, everyday.

At BMI Resource Recovery we are proud to announce that over 80% of waste disposed of at our sites is Recycled or Reused. We also make every effort to Reduce waste where possible across all of our sites and offices – so much so that we use recycled paper and refillable toner cartridges!

Here are a few tips that individuals and companies can use to maximise their recycling efforts:

## RECYCLE

- Start with the little things - paper, cardboard, cartons and many more items. At BMI Resource Recovery, we also see a lot of waste from building sites, home renovations and landscaping. These include timber and garden waste, concrete or brick, roofing tiles, steel, soils and rocks.
- Recycle batteries, mobile phones and printer or toner cartridges at designated centres (not in your household bin)
- Plastic and glass are ideal recyclables – just make sure that you pop them in the correct bin!

## REUSE

- Give away old furniture, clothes and toys to charity or pop them in the paper or eBay.
- What about a swap meet? Those things that you may not use anymore could be just what someone else is looking for!
- Reuse materials such as demolition materials where possible. Bring them to BMI Resource Recovery where we can turn your old concrete pathways into aggregates for new buildings or roads, or turn your timber posts and tree branches into garden mulch.
- Re-use containers for storing food or other materials, or renovate your furniture to give it a new lease of life

## REDUCE

- BMI Resource Recovery emails customer invoices instead of printing to reduce paper products being used, and refillable toner cartridges in our printers to reduce waste!
- Take a re-usable bag when you go shopping - avoid plastic bags
- Avoid buying disposable goods and buy in bulk to reduce packaging

