

Paint Recycling

In Beltrami County with PaintCare

Why should we recycle paint?

Americans accumulate **80 million** gallons of leftover house paint every year...

...That's enough to fill **121 Olympic swimming pools!**

Sadly a lot of that paint ends up in landfills.

1,006,709

In 2018 alone Paint Care processed **1,000,067** gallons of paint in MN!

Where does my paint go?

Paint recycled in Beltrami County goes to Bagley, MN to be recycled by PaintCare.

PaintCare is funded through a small fee on each container of paint sold in states with paint stewardship programs. In MN it's \$.99 per gallon.



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Collection

Collected paints are brought to PaintCare.



Mix

Paints are blended together to make uniform color.



New Paint

New paint can be made with your recycled paint.

What can you do?

Reduce. Donate. Recycle.

Use a paint calculator to figure out how much paint you need.

Use leftover paint in other projects or donate usable paint.

Recycle leftover paint at the Bemidji or Blackduck transfer station.

Protect yourself & the environment. Buy low VOC paint and dispose of paint correctly.



Oil paint, varnish, paint stripper, and stains contain harmful chemicals and should never be disposed in the trash or down the drain!

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