## Introduction

Because Montgomery County has a strong commitment to preserving natural resources and protecting the environment, the County has established a goal to reduce waste and recycle even more of the waste generated in the County, aiming for zero waste.

To achieve these goals, Montgomery County has required all businesses to recycle since 1993. Montgomery County's most recent recycling regulation, Executive Regulation (ER) 1-15, requires businesses in the County to recycle and report recycling progress to the Montgomery County Recycling and Resource Management Division (RRMD).



This Business Recycling Regulation Handbook has been prepared by RRMD to assist businesses in complying with the regulation. The handbook describes what the law requires your business to do, and how to complete the required forms. In addition, if you are not currently recycling, the Handbook provides guidance and resources for getting started. Keep this handbook available for future reference. Any program updates, or new pieces of information on recycling, waste reduction, or buying recycled you receive from the County should be filed in this handbook, for easy reference. You may also wish to keep a copy of the regulation in this book, along with copies of your recycling plan and annual reports.

