

This project is open to Manhasset teens in 7-12 grade.

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RECYCLING CHALLENGE



Inspired by Do Something's 5 can challenge, we are challenging Manhasset Teens to collect 20 containers, aluminum cans and/or plastic water bottles, to take to a local bottle exchange center. For every \$1.00 you collect, you will receive one hour of community service.

A maximum of 10 hours will be awarded.

The Problem

Because of things like online shopping and home delivery, solid waste production has increased and during the pandemic. And yet, recycling rates have decreased.

The Solution

Recycling cuts down on the amount of waste that ends up in landfills, and making a can from recycled aluminum saves more than 90% of the energy required to make a new can.

The Fun Part!

Collect the cans and bring them to a bottle exchange center. Take a photo of the receipt and bring it to a cashier to exchange for cash. The money is yours to keep! You earn some extra money while helping our environment!

DESCRIPTION:

Since each container is worth .05 cents, collecting 20 containers will equal a dollar, earning you one hour of community service. To make tracking easier, any extra containers in between will not be counted towards community service credit. Your receipt(s) should not equal more than 20 containers/\$1.00's worth at a time UNLESS you can complete the following multiple of 20.

This will be an ongoing project, so save the extra containers for the next 20!

FOR EXAMPLE:

20 containers = \$1.00 = 1 community service hour
40 containers = \$2.00 = 2 community service hours
60 containers = \$3.00 = 3 community service hours

etc.

VERY IMPORTANT!!

MAKE SURE TO TAKE PHOTOS OF YOUR RECEIPT(S) BEFORE YOU REDEEM IT. THESE PHOTOS SERVE AS CONFIRMATION OF YOUR PARTICIPATION.

WE CANNOT APPROVE HOURS WITHOUT A PHOTO OF THE RECEIPTS

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Collect 20 EMPTY containers, plastic water bottles, and/or aluminum cans.
2. Bring them to a local bottle return center. See the list below.
3. The machines are separated by CANS ONLY, PLASTIC ONLY, and GLASS ONLY.
4. Deposit the containers into their correct machine.
5. Once finished, press the button to print out your receipt.
6. Take a picture of your receipt(s) BEFORE you cash it in*.
7. Bring the receipt inside to the cashier to redeem and collect your money!
8. Fill out this form and attach the photo of your receipt(s).



Example of photo

* The receipt will indicate the number of containers exchanged and the amount of money earned.

LOCAL BOTTLE EXCHANGE CENTERS:

King Kullen: 1430 Northern Blvd, Manhasset, NY 11030
Stop N Shop: 65 Shore Rd, Port Washington, NY 11050

You are not limited to those two locations. You may go to other bottle exchange centers as long as you provide a photo of the receipt(s).

TIPS:

- Bring 1-2 extra aluminum can/or plastic water bottle JUST IN CASE one of your containers are rejected.

Certain locations may reject containers IF they are:

- The store does not carry that type of container, meaning the same brand, size, shape, color, and composition of the container.

- The container does not have a proper New York refund label.

- The container is not in reasonably good condition.

- A store may reject broken bottles or cans that are corroded or crushed.

- The container has anything in it besides small amounts of dirt, dust, or moisture.

If you have any questions or concerns, please email us at mplteenzone@manhassetlibrary.org