



CASE STUDY: 170 SOUTH MAIN COMMERCIAL OFFICE SPACE

Stats & Facts:

- Primary hauler: Momentum Recycling and Commercial Lighting
- Two six-yard dumpsters for cardboard and one 6-yard dumpster for mixed recyclables (picked up three times per week), three 30-gallon containers for glass (picked up twice per month) and one two-gallon bucket for batteries (picked up as needed).

Key Challenges:

- Not enough people were using glass recycling services in the beginning.
- Educating employees about what material can be recycled.
- Recycling bins are susceptible to contamination from food waste or trash due to large size of office building.

Best Practices:

- Recycling containers are placed at all employee workstations, and break rooms have larger recycling bins.
- Worked with janitorial company to coordinate emptying recycling bins each day and placing in appropriate containers.
- Placed posters in break room indicating what materials can be recycled.
- Assists employees who inquire about recycling mini-fridges and other small appliances.



Consumer Education & Engagement:

- Sent reminders about recycling to employees and tenants, and educated employees about the benefits of recycling through posted signs and other communications.

Special Event: Earth Day:

- Organized weeklong recycling event in honor of Earth Day, bringing in electronic waste recycling and secure shredding bins and hosting a clothing drive, in addition to regular recycling efforts. Employees were encouraged to clean out their workspaces as well as bring in any items from home.
- Earth Day event generated 3,546.6 pounds of electronics and 7,160 pounds of shredded paper, all of which was recycled. In addition, seven boxes and 20 bags of clothing were donated to the Rescue Mission of Salt Lake.

