



Alaskans for
Litter Prevention
and Recycling

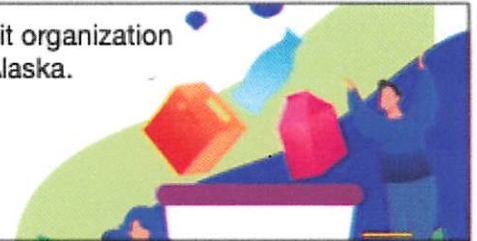
Keeping Alaska Beautiful Since 1982



Live out Earth Day every day!

Our mission: Alaskans for Litter Prevention and Recycling (ALPAR) is a nonprofit organization dedicated to eliminating litter and increasing economically-viable recycling in Alaska.

What we do: Founded in 1982 by a group of dedicated business leaders in Alaska, ALPAR's programs help clean up litter across the state, assist railbelt recycling centers through shipping agreements, and help rural areas recycle aluminum cans.



Long-time Anchorage Adopt-a-pathway volunteers Jim O & Kathy K.

Litter prevention

Litter not only harms our environment, it mars Alaska's landscape. Here's how to ensure every community is clean, green and beautiful:

Sign up to be a volunteer:

- live in Anchorage? If so, you can sign up for ALPAR's Adopt-a-pathway program (text 907-215-4998 with your email and we'll send you info!)
- live outside Anchorage? If so, contact the State of Alaska Adopt-a-Highway program at 907-338-1466 to find your local cleanup coordinator.

Lead a summer Youth Litter Patrol program:

- if you are part of a nonprofit or tribal entity in Alaska, you may qualify for an ALPAR Youth Litter Patrol grant, safety vests and free ALPAR bags.



David Drumhiller and his ALPAR Youth Litter Patrol in Fairbanks picked up 2,457 bags of trash.



Youth in Selawik dedicated 141 hours to litter pickup.

Recycling:

Alaska has made big strides in keeping the things we throw away out of landfills. But only one in three do it. We know we can do better. Here are three ways you can take recycling to the next level at home, work and in your community.

Learn the basics: talk to your tribal, city or borough solid waste officials to find out what you can recycle locally or if a compost program exists.

Buy recycled: when possible, choose products that contain recycled materials; it ensures the recycling loop continues and incentivizes manufacturers to use more postconsumer waste.

Get coworkers and family members to recycle: make sure recycling bins are easily accessible, advocate for buying in bulk, and hazardous and e-waste is handled properly.

We know recycling is the right thing to do. Let's save energy, preserve natural resources and reduce our carbon footprint.



Youth from Bethel's Orutsaramiut Native Council sorted out 200 ALPAR bags of used beverage cans. They sent the aluminum, which is infinitely recyclable, on to a new life and earned cash for their efforts.

ALPAR programs: get information, get involved

Adopt-a-Pathway: snow free months (Anchorage only)

ALPAR volunteers adopt pathways (ie paved bike & walking paths) along state-maintained roads in Anchorage and keep them free of litter. Adopters agree to three-year commitments caring for 1-2 miles of trail; minimum of three cleanups per summer.

Youth Litter Patrol: snow-free months (statewide)

ALPAR funds organizations, which in turn provide summer employment for youth 14-17 years old, who help rid communities of litter and remind everyone to dispose of litter properly. Sponsoring organizations are responsible for hiring, supervision, scheduling, record keeping, insurance and filing a final report with ALPAR (*ALPAR does not accept applications from individuals*).

Volunteer Community Cleanup: snow-free months (statewide)

Volunteers all over the state pitch in to help clean up their communities every spring. ALPAR supplies up to 200,000 free bright yellow cleanup bags to 160 communities across Alaska every year. Since 1990, we've given away over 3 million bags to help clean up Alaska.

Can-Do Kids: year-round (Anchorage only)

Kids can do a great job of recycling! They earn pocket money and prizes when they turn in aluminum cans at the WestRock Anchorage Recycling Center, 6161 Rosewood St., Anchorage, AK.

Christmas Tree Recycling: mid-December through mid-January (Anchorage, Eagle River, Palmer)







Christmas trees dropped off in designated areas at select Carrs/Safeway are recycled into wood chips for local trails. Trees must be free of all lights, decorations and not in a bag: live trees only; no wreaths.

Flying Cans/Flying Bottles: year-round (rural Alaska, non-governmental entities only; one per community)

Entities collect aluminum cans or plastic beverage bottles bound for recycling. Community must be off road system, without solid waste aluminum can collection options or ability to move cans via river/port. Local air carrier must link to a Northern Air Cargo facility in either Fairbanks or Anchorage and be willing to transport to the facility.

ALPAR: making a difference since 1982

Alaskans for Litter Prevention and Recycling (ALPAR) is proud of our programs and progress in the past year:

Litter prevention:		Recycling:			
					
170,000	\$93,500	3,733	1,125	21,476	912
Provided 170,000 free yellow ALPAR cleanup bags to 120 communities across Alaska to create litter free spaces for all to enjoy.	Granted \$93,500 to 42 nonprofit and tribal entities across Alaska to help fit communities of fiber, teach job skills to youth and support local environmental health and safety.	Eliminated 3,733 holiday and Christmas trees from entering landfills or littering public areas by turning them into wood chips used by parks, trails, schools and senior/fill groups.	Provided the collection and recycling of aluminum cans through the Can Do Kids program in Anchorage, resulting in an average of 1,125 pounds per month.	Worked with 42 rural communities off the road system to move 21,476 pounds of aluminum cans on to recycling in the LAR. 1,158 bags of plastic beverage bottles were also collected and recycled.	Moved 912 shipping containers from Alaska to the LAR for recycling by working with trucking companies, railroad partners and over the water shippers.

Get information, get involved: www.alparalaska.com / text: 907-215-4998