

REFUSE, RETHINK, REDUCE, REUSE, RECYCLE



*Globally **ONLY 30%** of trash is recycled.*

Some FACTS:

- Increasingly massive landfills are driving people in Indonesia from their homes.
- Rich countries often export recyclables to poorer nations.
- The COVID-19 pandemic has made our waste and recycling problem worse.
- Each year around 92 million metric tons of textile waste is generated around the world.
- Our trash pile-ups affect animal behavior.
- There's more than one ocean garbage patch around the world (There are at least 5).
- The plastic waste recycling industry has an underbelly of crime.
- The total generation of municipal solid waste (MSW) in 2018 was 292.4 million tons or 4.9 pounds per person per day.
- Of the MSW generated, approximately 69 million tons were recycled and 25 million tons were composted. Together, almost 94 million tons of MSW were recycled and composted, equivalent to a 32.1 percent recycling and composting rate

Locally - Eastham

- The transfer station for 2021 reported a decrease of nearly 213 tons in solid waste materials.
- The transfer station for 2021 reported an increase of nearly 80 tons in recycled materials.
- Thank you Eastham residents and visitors for your contribution. Let's work to surpass our decrease in waste and increase in recycling for 2022!

Information taken from: [Global Citizen](#), [EPA](#), and the 2021 Eastham Transfer Station Report.