Banana Peels
- Compost: Add to the compost bins at the FGSH Community Garden north of Williams Apartments or start a worm bin.
- Trash.

FACT: It takes a banana peel 2-10 days to decompose.

Too Small T-shirt
- Reuse: Give shirt to your younger siblings.
- Reuse: Have a yard sale or donate shirt to thrift store.

FACT: Thrift stores give stained or torn textiles to rag makers.

Citrus Peels
- Reuse: Make candied citrus peel.
- Reuse: Make an “orange box”: cut orange around equator and remove fruit. Turn the halves of peel inside-out and dry.
- Reuse: Dry well and add to potpourri.
- Compost: If you have access to a compost bin.
- Trash.

FACT: Citrus fruits decompose within 6 months.

Old Tire
- Reuse: Make a tire swing if you’re handy.
- Recycle: Tires should be properly recycled by law in OK.

Fact: Old tires can now be made into pipe and new tires.

Rechargeable Batteries
- Reduce: Use electricity when possible.
- Reduce: Find appliances that use less power.
- Reuse/Recycle: Use rechargeable batteries and then recycle.
- Recycle/Trash: Take spent alkaline batteries to a Household Hazardous Waste collection site or place in trash.
Paper Grocery Bag

- Reduce: Use durable bags that are reusable.
- Reuse: Use for sorting recyclables.
- Reuse: Use for craft paper and book covers.
- Compost: Shred and compost.
- Recycle: On campus!

Plastic Soda Bottle

- Reduce: Drink out of a reusable bottle.
- Reuse: Use a soda bottle with the lid cut off for a storage container.
- Reuse: Make a terrarium.
- Recycle: On campus! Empty before recycling.

FACT: Plastic soda bottles can be recycled into carpet or t-shirts.

Glass Bottles

- Reuse: Wash and reuse.
- Recycle: Stillwater Convenience Collection Center Perkins Road at 8th Ave."
- Trash.

FACT: Glass is NOT accepted in recycling programs on campus.

Paper Towels

- Reduce: Cut up old T-shirts and other soft fabrics for rags when they wear out. They are reusable and do a great job.
- Compost: Shred and compost.
- Buy Recycled: Buy paper towels with recycled content.
- Trash.

Paper Milk Carton

- Reduce: Buy milk in plastic jugs. Plastic jugs can be recycled on campus.
- Reuse: Make a single use bird house and other craft projects.
- Trash.

Junk Mail

- Reduce: Ask to be removed from unwanted mailing lists-call the 1-800 number listed on the catalogs.
- Reuse: Use the backside envelopes for notes.
- Recycle: On campus! (Window envelopes too.)
Steel Cans

- Reduce: Eat locally grown fresh food and use vegetable trimmings and meat bones for soup stock.
- Reuse: Use tuna cans with both ends removed as a cookie cutter; make various shapes using pliers.
- Recycle: On campus! Rinse out food residue.

Notebook Paper

- Reduce: Keep electronic notes.
- Reuse: Use both sides before recycling.
- Recycle: On campus!
- Buy Recycled: Buy notebooks made with recycled paper.

Fact: Every ton recycled saves 17 trees, 7000 gallons of water & enough energy to heat a house for 6 months.

Household Cleaning Bottle

- Reduce: Use less toxic chemicals by making homemade cleaners from baking soda, borax, lemon juice, or mineral oil.
- Recycle: At Res Halls!

Egg Shells

- Reuse: Crush and put outside in a dish for bird grit.
- Compost: Begin a compost pile- they are an important source of calcium.
- Trash.

Chipboard Box

- Reduce: Use products that don’t have outer packaging.
- Reuse: Cut up chipboard panels and make puzzles or bookmarks.
- Reuse: Cut and fold to make stylish gift boxes.
- Recycle: On campus!

Old Computer

- Reuse: Wipe your hard drive and then donate to a thrift store.
- Recycle: At Best Buy or postage paid by manufacturer per state law.
Aluminum Cans

- Reduce: Refill with a UDS “Cups for a Cause” reusable cup.
- Recycle: On campus! Empty before recycling.

Fact: It takes 10% of the energy to recycle an aluminum can as it takes to produce a new one.

Paper Plates and Napkins

- Reduce: Use washable plates.
- Reduce: Use washable cloth napkins.
- Compost: Buy paper plates and napkins and then compost them.
- Buy Recycled: Buy plates and napkins with recycled material.
- Trash.

FACT: Plastic does not decompose if accidentally released into the environment.

Candy Wrapper

- Reduce: Buy unwrapped candy from the bulk bin, pack in reusable containers.
- Reduce: Try making your own candy.
- Trash.

Empty Pizza Box

- Reduce: Make your own pizza.
- Recycle: On campus!

Fact: Food contaminated cardboard cannot be recycled. A little grease is okay but no food particles or grease soaked sections are accepted.

Toothpaste Tube

- Reduce: Maximize use by rolling tube up tightly.
- Reuse: Use toothpaste tube cap as a game marker.
- Trash.

Styrofoam Cup

- Reduce: Use reusable travel mugs.
- Reuse: Wash and reuse for starting seeds.
- Reuse: Wash and reuse in craft project.
- Trash.

FACT: Styrofoam is not accepted in the campus Recycling Programs.
Newspaper

- Reduce: Watch the nightly news, listen to the radio, or read the newspaper online.
- Reduce: Share a newspaper with your neighbor or office mates.
- Reuse: Shred and use as pet cage lining.
- Compost: Shred and compost.
- Recycle: On campus!

Motor Oil Bottles And Oil Filters

- Reduce: Try walking, biking, or sharing rides.
- Recycle. Both items should be properly recycled by law in OK.

Fact: We lose enough motor oil in the US to fill 120 supertankers a year.

Cardboard Boxes

- Reuse: Use for mailing or storage.
- Reuse: Use in a creative and crafty manner-make a lot of boxes into an igloo.
- Recycle: On campus after flattening.

FACT: Flattening boxes allows more to fit in the outdoor receptacle and less recycle truck traffic and expense.

Soap or Shampoo Bottles

- Reduce: Use bar soap a refillable dispenser.
- Reuse: Rinse and refill disposable dispensers.
- Recycle: At Res Halls!

Yogurt or Butter Tubs

- Reuse: Use them for containers to separate out office supplies, craft material, nails, etc.
- Reuse: Use as container for food storage.
- Recycle: At Res Halls after rinsing.