

# It Pays to Recycle Rigid Plastics!

## How much are they worth?



**Approximate Values\* of White or Clear containers:**

- 5 gal. Pail = 15¢
- 4 gal. Pail = 10¢
- 2 gal. Pail = 7¢
- Fish Tray = 5¢

\*Average market value of 5¢/lb

- **Energy Conservation** - Producing new plastic products from recycled materials uses 2/3 less energy than making products from raw (virgin) materials.
- **Reduced Greenhouse Gas Emissions** - When recycled material is substituted for virgin material, greenhouse gas emissions from extraction, preprocessing and production are significantly reduced.
- **Beneficial Reuse** - Recycled plastics can be made into hundreds of everyday products, including fleece jackets, carpeting and lumber for outdoor decking, providing thousands of jobs for fellow Americans.
- **Greater Recycled Plastic Supply & Demand** - The more we recycle, the more recycled plastics are available, and the more recycled plastics we buy, the more the industry will create.
- **Conserves Landfill Space** - Conserving landfill space is crucial as landfills reach their maximum capacities and shut down, and other land is limited for creating new landfills.



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