Recycling Saves Trees!

Half the Earth's forests are gone, and up to 95% of the original forest area in the U.S. has been cut down.

Recycling Preserves Wildlife!

Using recycled materials reduces the need to extract natural resources such as timber, crude petroleum and mineral ores.
Recycling Reduces Climate Change!

Recycling one ton of glass results in energy savings of more than 300% and lowers CO$_2$ emissions by 3.46 tons

Recycling Avoids Landfill Use!

Toxic pollution from landfills - including cyanide, dioxins, mercury, methane, hydrochloric acid, sulfuric acid and lead - escapes into the air and leaches into groundwater
Recycling Conserves Water!

Turning trees into paper is the most water intensive industrial process in the U.S. Paper recycling mills use less water and don't pollute the water as much.

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Recycling Boosts the Economy!

Recycling 75 percent of the nation’s municipal waste, in combination with incentives for manufacturers to use recycled materials, could create nearly 1.5 million new jobs by 2030.

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