

The Green Team is excited to offer Faith members the opportunity to recycle CDs and DVDs in an environmentally friendly way! Please read the information below if you would like to know more. This service is free, but we need to pay postage. 2 options to consider: If you are willing to pick up a box and pay shipping charges yourself, fantastic. If you can't do that, CDs, DVDs, and cases can now be dropped off at the recycling kiosk, now located in the garage next to our church building. The Green Team will take it from there.

If you choose to ship them yourself:

Flat rate shipping boxes are free, and available in the garage. You can also find them at the Post Office or Festival Foods.

Shipping is paid when you take them back to be mailed.

It is very important that you remove CDs and DVDs from their cases, and that you remove any paper items.

CDs, DVDs and cases may, however, all be placed in the same box.

Make sure to write "Free CD Recycling" on outside of shipping box.

Questions? Please contact Joyce Cesar or any Green Team member, or see the display in the garage.

Joyce can be reached at jjcesar@charter.net or at 715.387.0485



Here is the information from the recycler:

WELCOME TO FREE CD/DVD RECYCLING

Free CD/DVD Recycling is a service offered by Back Thru The Future Technology Disposal to consumers with a desire to improve their environmental footprint. CDs are made of high value recyclable material – polycarbonate plastic. The recycling of CDs saves substantial amounts of energy and prevents significant amounts of both air and water pollution attributed to the manufacturing of these items from virgin material. You pay the cost of shipping. Select a suitable package. The US Post Office "Flat Rate" boxes are an excellent choice. Write "Free CD Recycling" on the outside of your shipping box.

Please remove the CDs and DVDs from the jewel cases and/or plastic cases and discard any paper. We will accept jewel cases and plastic cases for recycling sent in the same box as the CDs & DVDs We will not accept jewel cases and plastics on their own.

If you have any questions regarding the program please email CD@BACKTHRUTHEFUTURE.COM

MAIL the box to this address:

Back Thru The Future Computer Recycling
1 Park Drive, Suite 9
Franklin, New Jersey 07416

CD/DVD RECYCLING FACTS

- A CD/DVD is considered a class 7 recyclable plastic.
- 150 cubic feet of natural gas, 1 cup of crude oil and 12 gallons of water are required to manufacture 15 CD (1/2 a pound of plastic).
- A CD can take 1 million years to decompose in a landfill CDs can be recycled for use in new products.
- Specialized electronic recycling companies clean, grind, blend, and compound the discs into a high-quality plastic for a variety of uses, including: automotive industry parts, raw materials to make plastics (Discs are ground into a gravel-like substance, which is sold to companies that melt it down and convert it to plastic), office equipment, alarm boxes and panels, street lights, and electrical cable insulation, and even jewel cases.
- In 1983, when CDs were introduced in the United States, 800,000 discs were sold. By 1990, this number had grown to close to 1 billion!
- More than 5.5 million boxes of software go to landfills & incinerators, plus people throw away millions of music CDs each year! Every month approximately 100,000 pounds of CDs become obsolete (outdated, useless, or unwanted)