



CITY of CALABASAS
Public Works Department

**2024 RECYCLING
DRAWING CONTEST
(2025 CITY-WIDE CALENDAR)**

“HOW DO I RECYCLE IN MY LIFE?”

What is Recycling?

Recycling is the process of converting waste materials into new materials and objects.

It involves collecting and processing materials that would otherwise be thrown away as trash, and turning them into new products. Recycling helps reduce waste, energy usage, and environmental impact.

According to recent EPA data, the recycling and composting of municipal solid waste (MSW or trash) saved over **193 million metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalent** in 2018.

193 MILLION METRIC TONS OF CARBON DIOXIDE IS EQUIVALENT TO...



493,610,534,486 miles driven

by an average gasoline-powered passenger vehicle
(greenhouse gas emission equivalent)



38,089,742 homes' electricity use for one year

(co2 emissions equivalent)



21,717,114,887 gallons of gasoline consumed

(co2 emissions equivalent)



12,741,220,043,910 smartphones charged

(co2 emissions equivalent)



225,333,178 acres of U.S. forests in one year

(carbon sequestered equivalent)

Proposed 2024 Timeline

- August 6, 2024 → Announce Calendar Theme and Contest
- August 21, 2024 → First Day of School
- October 18, 2024 → Drawing Submissions Due
- October 28-30, 2024 → Subcommittee Review
- November 12, 2024 → Commission Review of Submissions & Vote
- November 22, 2024 → Start Production of Calendars
- February 4, 2025 → Winners Announced at Environmental Commission Meeting

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Prizes and Awards

14 total drawings will be selected.

Each selected drawing will be included in the 2025 Recycling Calendar

Selected Students will receive:

- a gift card for their contribution
- Recognition at the February Environmental Commission Meeting
- And their name under their drawing in the 2025 calendar!



