



REDUCING WASTE IN OUR COMMUNITIES | VOCABULARY

recycle convert (waste) into reusable material

reduce make smaller or less in amount, degree, or size

reuse to use an object again either in a similar or different way

compost a mixture of decayed organic material

upcycling a way to reuse materials for something other than their intended purpose

incinerator an apparatus for burning waste material, especially industrial waste, at high temperatures until it is reduced to ash

landfill an area where trash is buried underground; as trash decomposes in them, it releases methane gas

greenhouse gasses gasses that trap sun's rays as heat in our atmosphere

pollution something that makes the environment unsafe and harms people and animals

