



## AUBURN UNIVERSITY

WASTE REDUCTION AND RECYCLING

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### **Auburn University students recycle more than 15 tons of cardboard during move-in**



Auburn University soccer players recycle their cardboard during Move-in Mania 2013.

**AUBURN UNIVERSITY** – Auburn University students started the school year off by recycling more than 15 tons of cardboard during Move-in Mania 2013 – the university’s fall event for students who will be living on campus in residence halls.

Dr. Virginia Koch, Director of Residence Life stated, “A simple way for residents to reduce their environmental impact is to recycle. This year students really demonstrated their commitment

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by recycling over 30,000 pounds of cardboard during move-in.” Residence Life enhances student learning outside the classroom by offering educational programs and engaging activities for on-campus living.

Waste Reduction and Recycling staff directed students to 18 trash and recycling stations located throughout the four campus housing areas. More than 77 tons of material was collected and 20 percent was recycled.

According to the National Retail Federation, families with college-age children will spend an average of \$836.83 this year on back-to-college supplies and electronics, clothing and shoes. Many of these items will come in cardboard boxes.

“Cardboard is a good candidate for recycling during move-in because it is easily separated from other materials. Our operations serve as an example to students and the community,” commented Donny Addison, Manager of the Waste Reduction and Recycling Department.

Auburn University’s recycling program accepts other materials for recycling including mixed paper, plastic bottles (#1 and #2), aluminum and steel cans. Students are responsible for taking their trash and recycling to containers located outside their residence halls.

More information about Auburn University’s recycling program is available online at [www.auburn.edu/recycle](http://www.auburn.edu/recycle).

More information about Auburn University’s Housing and Residence Life is available online at [www.auburn.edu/housing](http://www.auburn.edu/housing).

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