



HOST A COLLECTION EVENT

GIVE RESIDENTS ACCESS TO NO-COST RECYCLING

Overview

The Mattress Recycling Council (MRC) must offer collection events in counties with a population of less than 10,000 and in counties that do not yet have a permanent collection site. Whether you dedicate your event to mattress and box spring collection, or want to add these items to a pre-established event for other waste, MRC can provide a turn key solution at no cost to you.

Eligible Event Hosts

- **Municipalities** such as cities and counties.
- **Waste Collectors** such as landfills, transfer stations and municipal yards.
- **Community Influencers** such as civic groups, nonprofit organizations, or public institutions/facilities that have access to large paved parking lots or open areas.

What MRC Provides

- Assistance with event promotion
- A 53-foot trailer for holding collected mattresses
- Labor to load mattresses (where available)
- Transportation
- Mattress recycling

Which items are accepted and not accepted for drop off or recycling by MRC's program?

A mattress or box spring in any condition, no matter when it was purchased must be accepted at the event. Mattresses must have been used and discarded in Oregon. Those transported from out of state for disposal at the event are ineligible.

These items may not be put in the recycling container:

- Severely damaged, wet, twisted, frozen or soiled mattresses or box springs
- Items infested with bed bugs

These items are not accepted for recycling:

- Adjustable bases not covered in ticking or fabric
- Air mattresses that contain no upholstery material
- Car beds
- Collapsible roll-away beds
- Fold-out sofa beds

- Futons and furniture
- Infant carriers, lounge pads or crib bumpers
- Juvenile products such as carriages, baskets, cribs, bassinets, dressing tables, strollers and playpens or their pads
- Loose bedding, blankets or sheets
- Mattress pads or toppers
- Mattresses stripped of padding components (partial units)
- Metal bed frames
- Pillows and cushions
- Sleeping bags
- Water beds

Giving residents a no-cost option to dispose of their mattresses helps mitigate illegal dumping.

An assessment collected on the sale of mattresses and box springs allows MRC to cover all the costs an event host would normally incur.

Contact MRC today to reserve your date.

Participation Requirements

- Make request for event at least 60 days prior to the event date
- Complete the online form and agree to MRC's Terms & Conditions
- Provide a collection location accessible to a 53-foot trailer (special accommodations can be made for remote locations)



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Event Host Interest Form:
<https://mattressrecyclingcouncil.org/collection-site-or-event-host/>



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Event Hosting Responsibilities, Requirements & Logistics Frequently Asked Questions:

How can I get a mattress collection event in my community?

Contact [Darcy Perez](#). She will assess eligibility and discuss event logistics. Event approval is subject to the availability of MRC's service providers and are approved on a first-come, first-served basis.

How far in advance of my event should I contact MRC?

MRC requires at least 60-days' notice to coordinate event promotion, labor and transportation resources.

What type of promotional assistance do you provide?

MRC provides event hosts with a media alert, social media guidelines, printable flyers and event day signage. All events are posted on [ByeByeMattress.com](#) and promoted on the program's Facebook, Instagram and X accounts. Please see the [Event Host Toolkit](#) for details.

Am I only limited to one event or can I arrange a series of collection events?

MRC provides events to communities throughout Oregon. To maximize our coverage, most entities will be limited to one event per year. Special accommodations can be made for economically disadvantaged, rural and underserved communities.

How much space is required for the mattress collection event?

The amount of space required is dependent on anticipated number of participants and per unit limitations on participants. Most events will need to have sufficient space to park a 53-foot trailer, unloading lanes and vehicle queuing so any backlog does not affect local roads or traffic.

Am I limited to one trailer per event?

MRC provides trailers and staffing based on the expected number of mattresses. A 53-foot trailer holds up to 150 mattresses and/or box springs.

Should we limit the number of mattresses and box springs residents bring to the event?

Yes. MRC recommends establishing a maximum number of mattresses per vehicle, per day.

Can I provide my own labor?

Providing your own labor to load units will increase our ability to provide events to your community. MRC can still provide at no-cost the trailer, transportation, recycling and promotion of your event.

What if I receive mattresses that are not acceptable for recycling?

These must be accepted at no-cost. MRC will find disposal options for unacceptable mattresses.



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