

# Recycling Incentive Program (RIP) FAQs

## WHO

Units, Tenants, and Directorates.

## WHAT

The Department of Defense (DoD) has implemented a goal to divert 40% of solid waste from incineration and landfilling. The Qualified Recycling Program (QRP) mission is to reclaim and divert materials from the solid waste stream, increase recovery of recyclable materials, while minimizing the costs of solid waste disposal and sustaining our environmental future.

The QRP offers an incentive-based recycling program, Recycling Incentives Program (RIP). The program provides a DFMWR voucher (used like a gift certificate) in exchange for contributions of eligible recyclable material.

ONLY RIP eligible recyclable material: aluminum cans, plastic bottles, shredded office paper, and cardboard. *Other materials are accepted for recycling at the Recycle Facility, but are not part of the RIP.*

Current disbursements for materials: aluminum = \$1/lb.; plastics = 50 cents/lb.; shredded paper and cardboard = \$25/2000lbs.

## WHEN

Vouchers are distributed on a quarterly rhythm (31 Dec., 31 Mar., 30 Jun., and 30 Sep.).

## WHERE

Eligible recyclable materials are dropped off at the Recycle Facility, building 3-1240, at the northwest corner of Butner and Reilly Roads.

Vouchers are picked up at Department of Public Works Environmental Compliance Division, building 3-1137, at the northwest corner of Butner and Reilly Roads.

## HOW

Enroll in the RIP by completing and turning in the Letter of Agreement (pages 7&8 of MOI). Once enrolled, you will receive a Book and Tab number (used like an account number) from the RIP Coordinator. Drop off eligible recyclable materials at the Recycle Facility stating the Book and Tab number. The RIP tracks the weights of materials. At the end of each quarter the weight is translated into dollar amounts and recorded in the representative account. If the unit, directorate, or tenant accumulates \$100 in their account, the \$100 will be dispersed on the quarterly rhythm in the form of a \$100 DFMWR voucher.

The vouchers are only distributed in increments of \$100. For example; if unit, directorate, or tenant accumulate a balance of \$365 in a quarter, 3-\$100 vouchers are issued at the close of the respective quarter and the remaining \$65 in the account rolls over to the next quarter.

Vouchers may be used at DFMWR facilities only. For ideas on where to spend your voucher, please refer to the DFMWR website, <https://bragg.armymwr.com/>.

Vouchers are valid for ONE year only. Date issued and date of expiration are on the voucher.

## WHY

The revenue made from recycling efforts go back into the installation by way of funding pollution abatement, energy conservation, occupational safety and health activities, and DFMWR recreation projects. We continue to reduce, reuse, and recycle to the greatest extent imaginable to decrease our impact on the environment so that future generations will succeed.

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