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### FUNDING IDEAS FOR RECYCLING BINS

1. Talk with your local solid waste office to see if it would want to partner with you to start a recycling program. If so, it would be eligible for funding through DPPEA's office.
  - Click here to contact your local recycling coordinator - <http://p2pays.org/localgov/ncwaste.html>
  - Click here for information about DPPEA's grant program – <http://p2pays.org/localgov/Financial.asp>
2. Ask your recycling hauler to provide the bins. It is in their best interest. They can probably get a discount and may know of another organization switching out their bins or upgrading.
3. Talk with your local Wal-Mart manager. Wal-Mart been very generous in making donations for recycling bins. <http://www.walmartfoundation.org/wmstore/goodworks/scripts/index.jsp>
4. Contact your local beverage (soft drinks or beer) distributor. It may be able to provide you with some recycling containers.
5. Check out the N.C. Office of Environmental Education grant page here - <http://web.eenorthcarolina.org/core/item/topic.aspx?s=0.0.108.37430&tid=85010>
6. Here are some grants of interest.
  - N.C. Beautiful Grant: <http://www.ncbeautiful.org/programs/windows-of-opportunity.html>
  - Coca Cola Bin Grant: <http://bingrant.org/>
  - Albemarle Pamlico National Estuary Program Grant: <http://www.apnep.org/index.html>
  - Keep Durham Beautiful: <http://www.KeepDurhamBeautiful.org/our-programs/grants-programs.html>
7. Look for ways to get containers donated. Examples include:
  - Copy paper boxes from print shops
  - Milk cartons or bread containers from grocery stores
  - Syrup barrels from your local soda manufacturer
  - Buckets from local construction sites
  - Barrels from a local manufacturer – For example - Ajinomoto, a Raleigh company, has an industrial waste product that can easily be turned into a recycling bin. The waste product is a 3-foot-round cardboard bin with a lid. You can contact the company to see if any are available to pick up for free. Its main number is (919) 231-1680.
8. If you attend a Project Learning Tree workshop you are eligible for its grant program. More information is here - [http://www.plt.org/cms/pages/21\\_22\\_63.html](http://www.plt.org/cms/pages/21_22_63.html).
9. Sometimes companies sell used recycling containers on DPPEA's WasteTrader Web page found here - <http://ncwastetrader.org/home.aspx>.

