



# 3R'S SCHOOL RECYCLING PROGRAM

## Program Overview

With in-class recycling and school-wide collection, this hands-on program empowers students to engage and educate their school community about the 3R's:

### Reduce, Reuse and Recycle.

**How It Works:** The 3R's School Recycling program works with student leadership groups and their advisors in K-12 schools on O'ahu to bring waste awareness and action to school campuses:

- Trained student leaders engage their school community in implementing a school-wide recycling system by conducting classroom presentations, creating campaign materials, and serving as mentors on campus;
- Student leaders oversee the collection and deposit of filled recycling bins from each classroom into the school's recycling receptacle.



### 3R's School Recycling Program Resources:

Kōkua Hawai'i Foundation provides recycling bins and the following educational offerings to customize the 3R's School Recycling Program to the needs of each school community:

**3R's Orientation Materials:** Kōkua Hawai'i Foundation provides student leaders with 3R's orientation materials covering the importance of reducing, reusing and recycling, implementation of a school-wide recycling collection system, and tips on how to be recycling advocates on campus.

**Educator's Resource Guide:** Downloadable on the Kōkua Hawai'i Foundation website, this guide includes information, activities, and references for educators to incorporate the 3R's into classroom instruction.

**Aloha 'Āina Recycling Drives (AARD):** Schools fundraise and clean up campuses by hosting Aloha 'Āina Recycling Drives. Our team of recycling partners collects items such as HI-5 cans & bottles, computers & electronics, scrap metals, household cooking oil, clothing, household goods and more. For more information, go to [www.kokuahawaiifoundation.org/3rs/aard](http://www.kokuahawaiifoundation.org/3rs/aard).

**Waste Stream Audits:** Our toolkit helps students conduct classroom, cafeteria or school-wide waste audits that incorporate science and math with real world problem-based learning. Students follow a waste audit plan to examine the amount of waste generated and then determine ways to reduce, reuse and recycle it.

**Outreach Events:** School groups plan outreach activities that support 3R's campus goals including film screenings, beach clean-ups, recycled art exhibits, greening school events, and more. For more information, go to [www.kokuahawaiifoundation.org/resources](http://www.kokuahawaiifoundation.org/resources).

For more information on the 3R's School Recycling Program, including program registration materials, email: [3Rs@kokuahawaiifoundation.org](mailto:3Rs@kokuahawaiifoundation.org) or visit: [www.kokuahawaiifoundation.org/3Rs](http://www.kokuahawaiifoundation.org/3Rs)

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