



Mattress Recycling In Oregon

A Snapshot of Our First Year

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 Mattress Recycling Council®

Who We Are



International Sleep Products Association

Trade association for the mattress industry



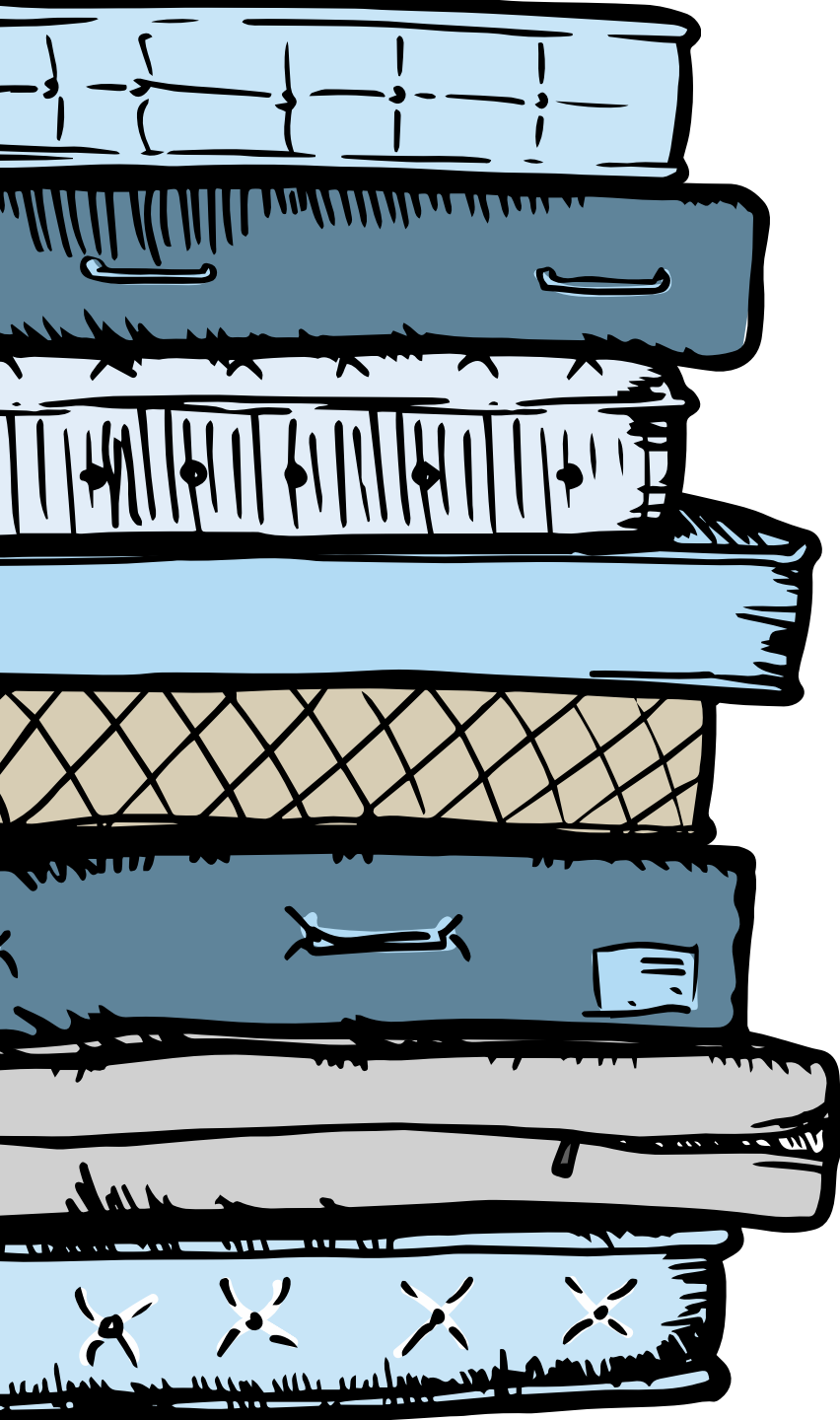
Mattress Recycling Council

The nonprofit ISPA created in 2013 to implement recycling programs in states with mattress recycling laws



Bye Bye Mattress

The consumer-facing brand MRC developed for the recycling program



Lifetime Numbers:

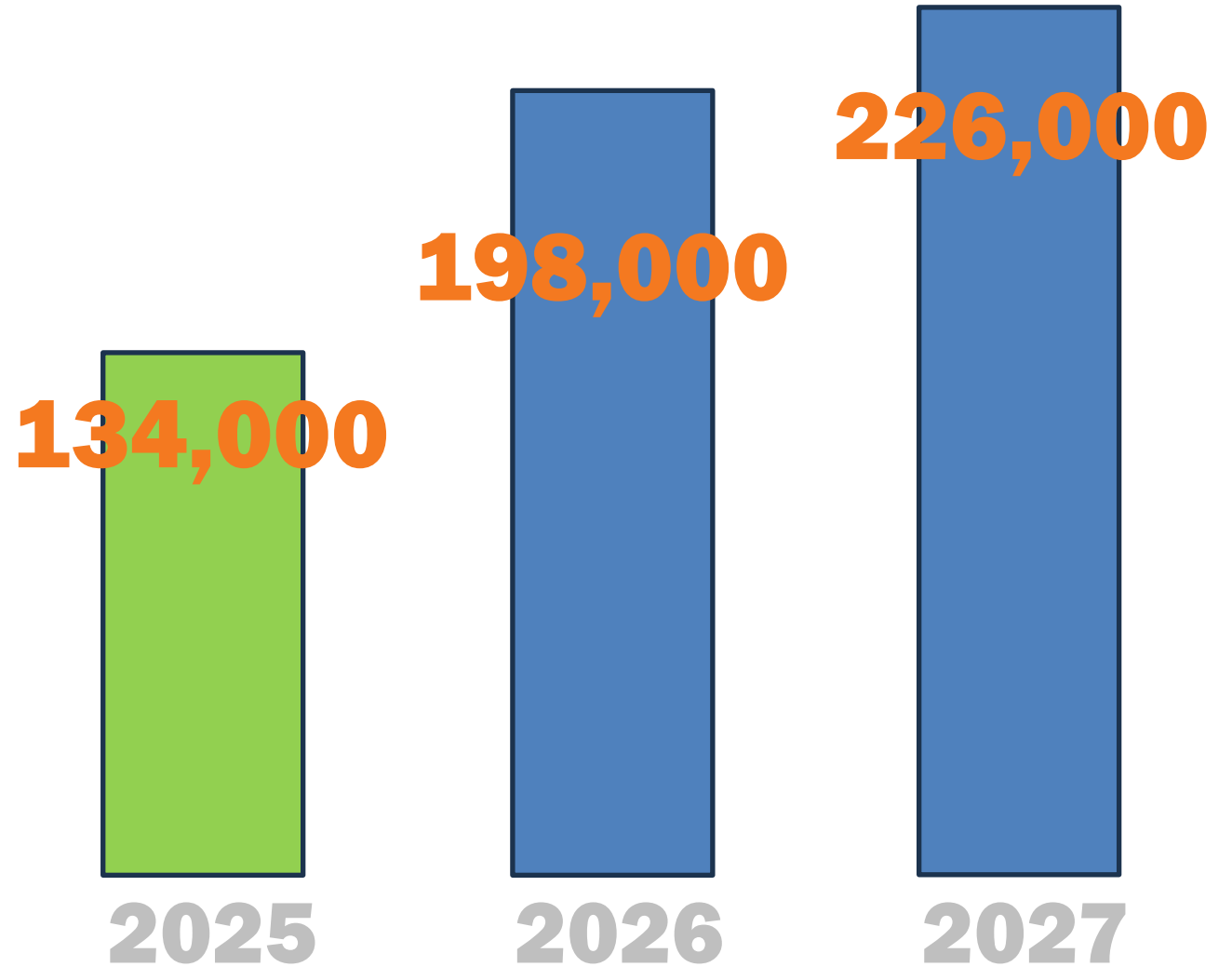
17 million
units recycled

16.8 million cubic yards
saved in landfills

650 million pounds of
recycled material



Oregon: Recycled & Projected



2025 At-A-Glance

134K+

Program Units
Collected

24

Collection
Locations

54

Collection
Events

2,081

Units Diverted
to Reuse

5.9M lbs

Materials
Recycled

75.6%

Materials
Diverted from
Landfill

\$22.50

Stewardship
Assessment

390

Media Clips

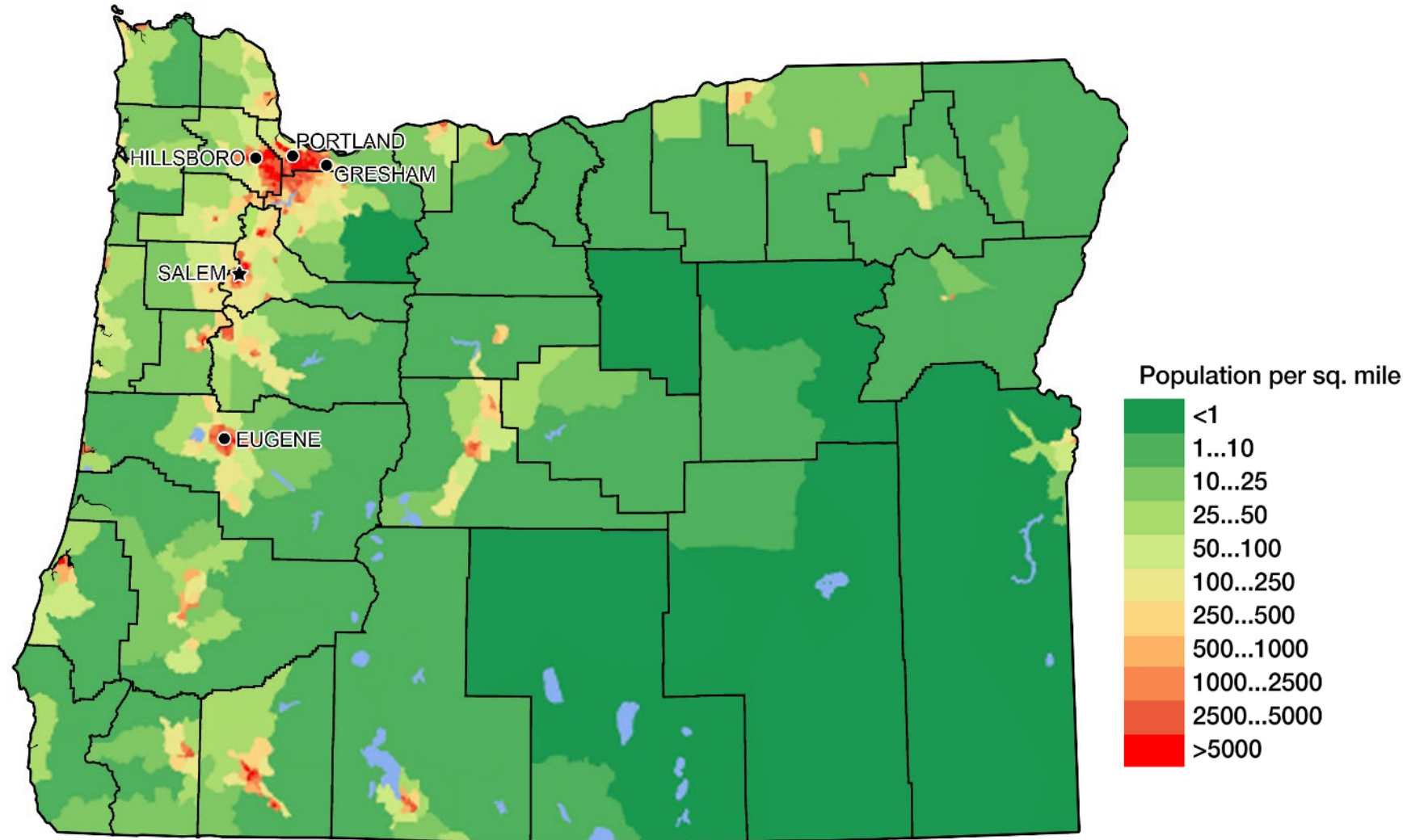
A photograph showing a large pile of discarded mattresses and boxes. The mattresses are wrapped in blue and white plastic, and some are partially unwrapped, revealing the internal structure. The boxes are made of cardboard and some have labels. The background is a wooden wall. A semi-transparent text box is overlaid in the center of the image.

Where and how did we collect mattresses?

COLLECTION NETWORK

Population Density

- 1/3 of population in Portland Metro area
- Expansive rural:
 - Supply Chain
 - Milk Runs
 - Site Funding
 - Commercial Volumes



Oregon: 2025 Collection Opportunities

3 Recycling Facilities

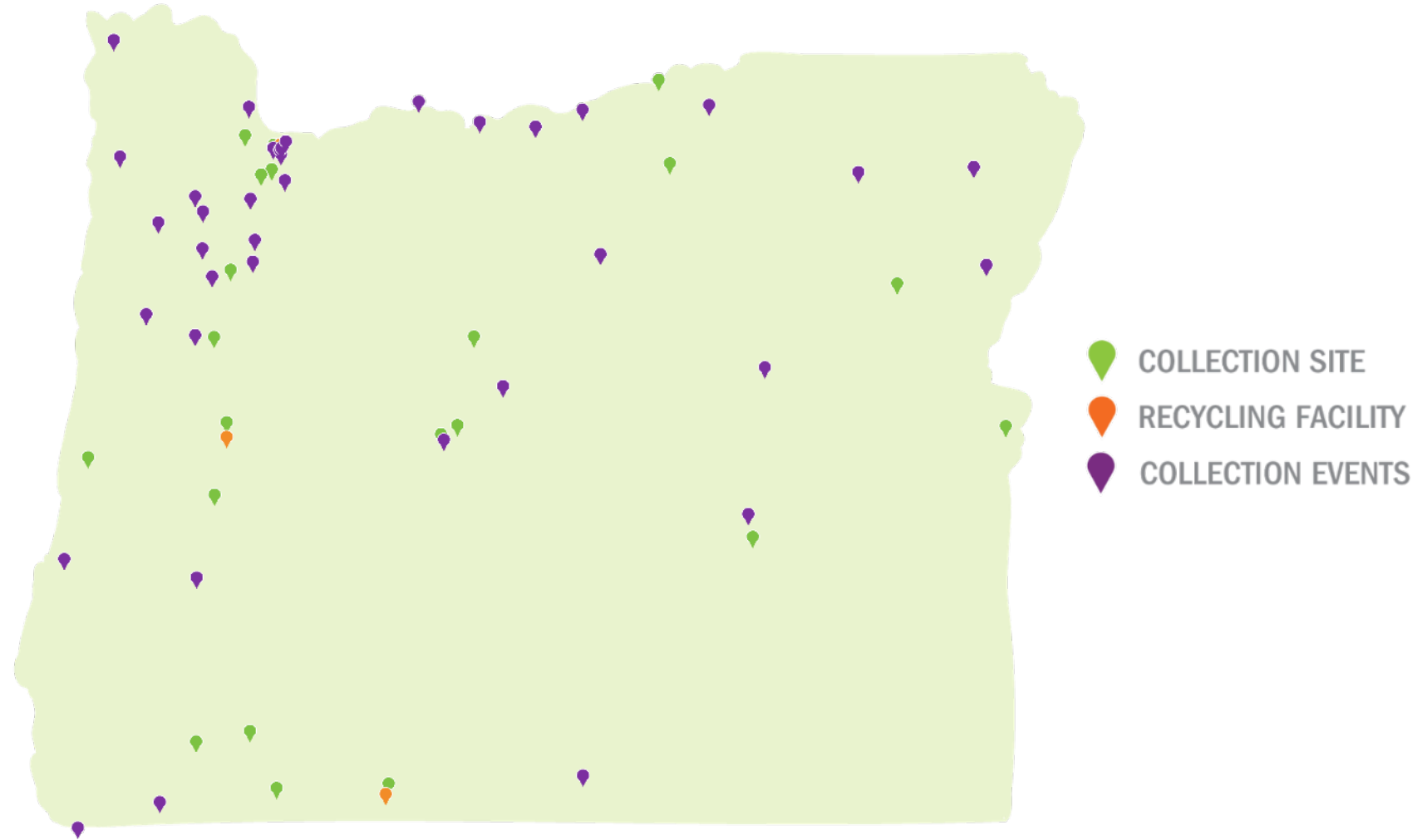
ECR-Portland

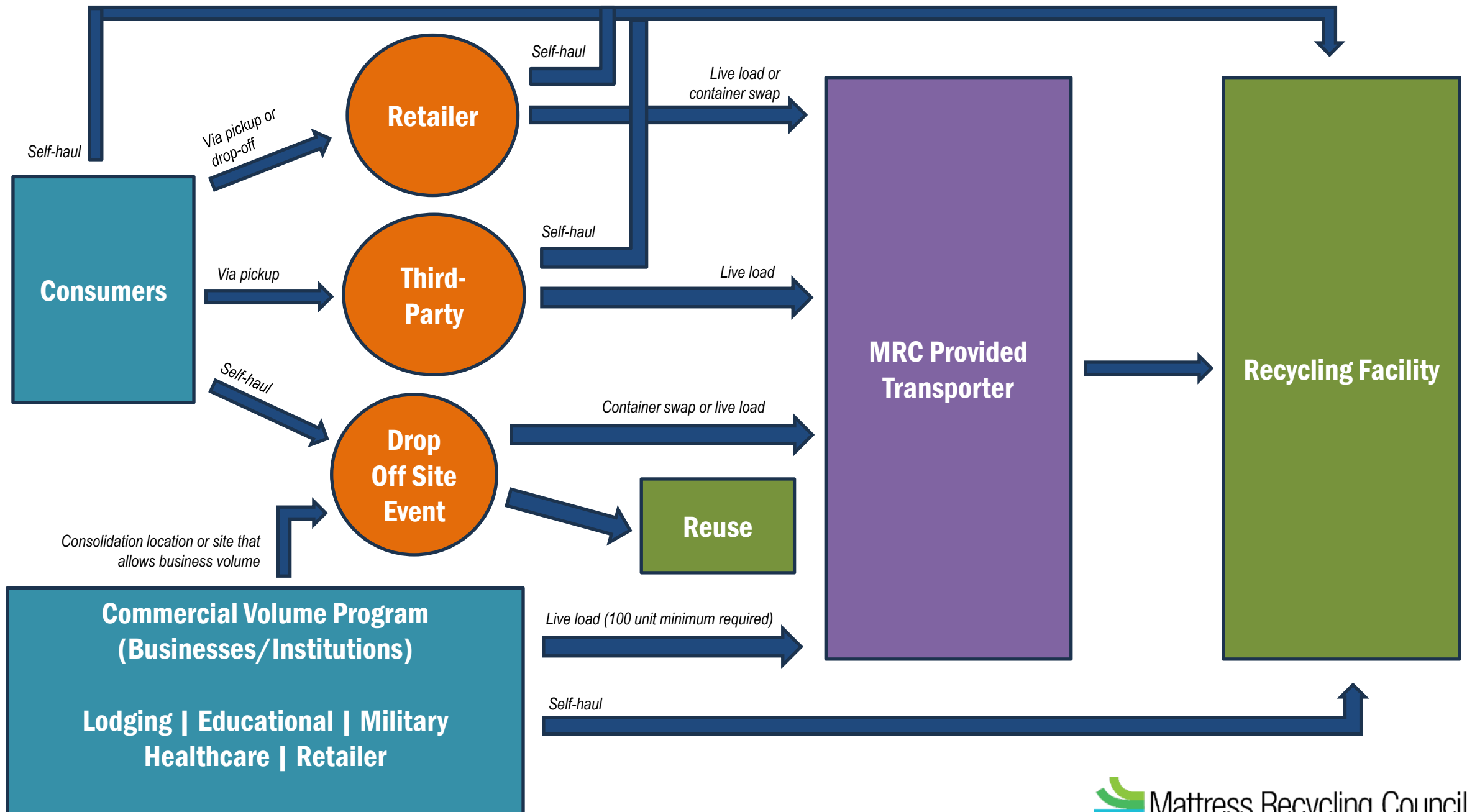
DR3-Eugene

KW-Klamath Falls

**24 Permanent
Collection Sites**
at close of 2025

54 Events in 2025





Service Requirements

We exceeded the alternative convenience requirement.

- **29 counties had a population of over 10,000 people** – 13 had at least one permanent site; while 16 had at least one event.
- **7 counties had a population under 10,000 people** – At least one event was held in all of these.
- **An additional 25 opportunities distributed throughout the state** – An additional 11 sites and 23 events held throughout the state.

Accelerated Recruitment Continues

- In 2026 – added 12 sites and will have held 56 events before year ends
- Quarterly events to increase access
- Offering site improvement funding
- Upcoming studies to aid and guide efforts
- Encouraging retailers to recycle with the program

Site Improvement Funding



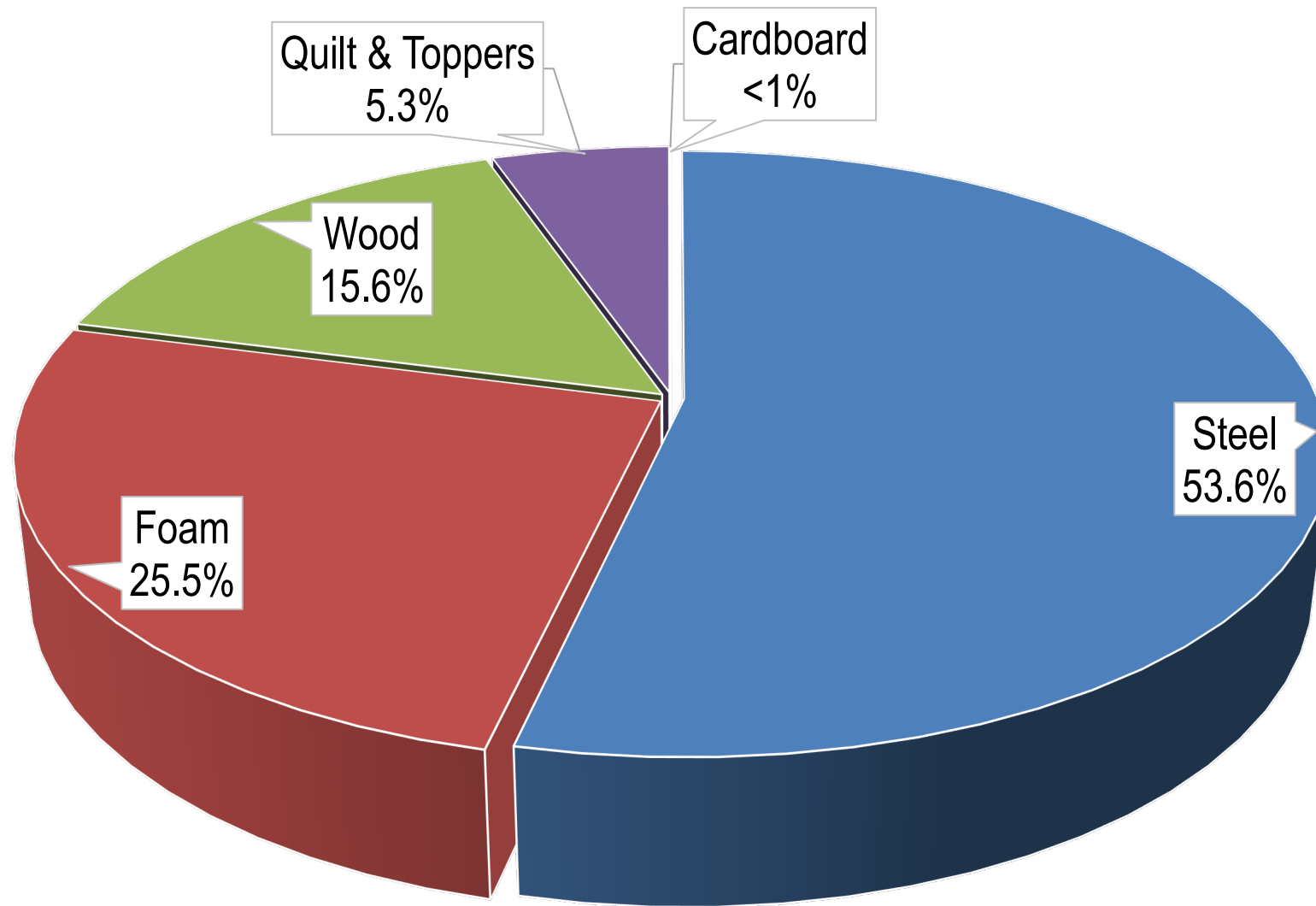
- 2025 Projects awarded; 1 completed 2 pending completion
- Benefit, not a burden
- Find solutions; ramps, forklifts, fencing, sheds, pads, signage
- Easier, faster, safer



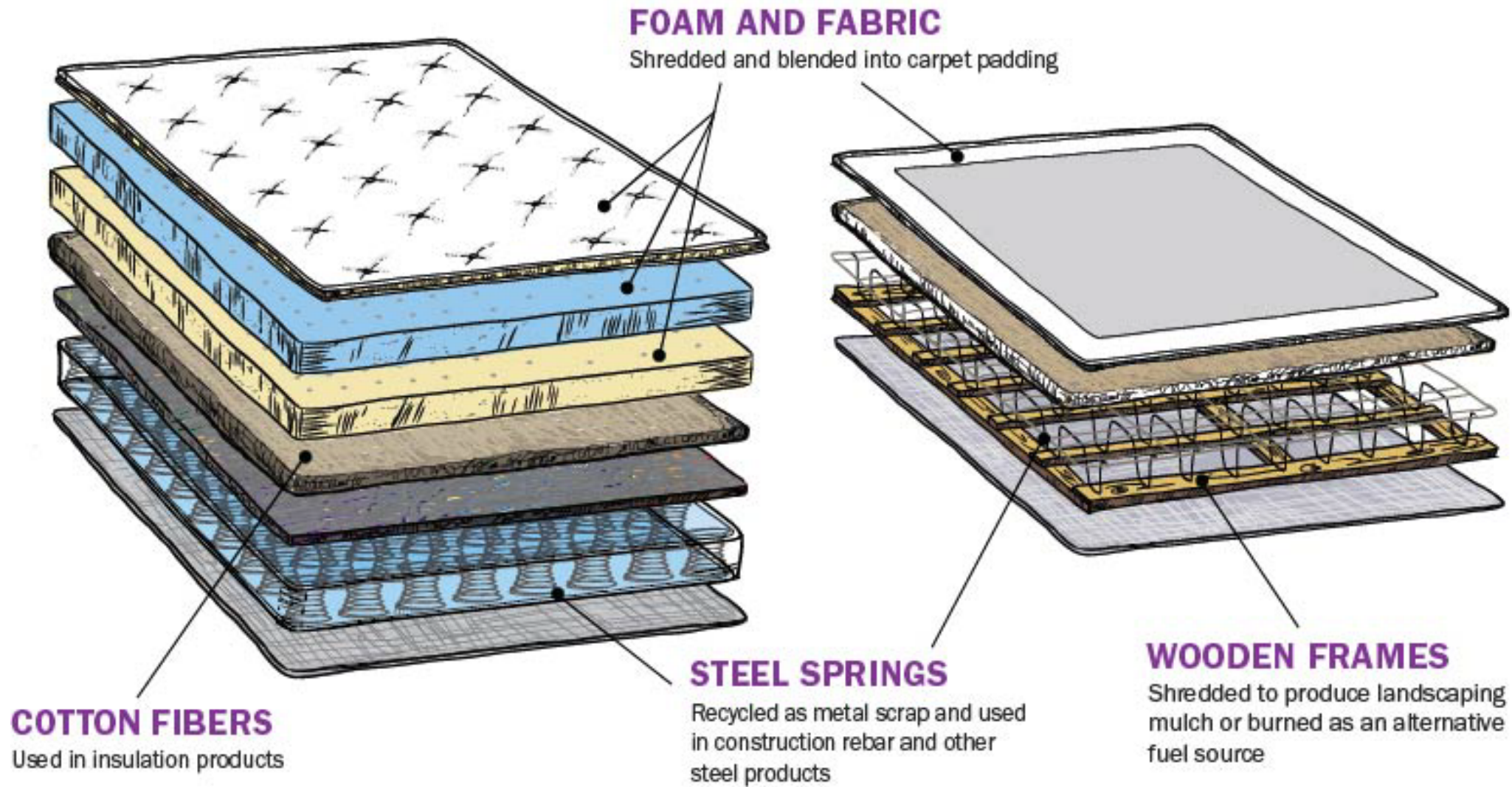
What happened to all the material?

PROCESSING OUTCOMES

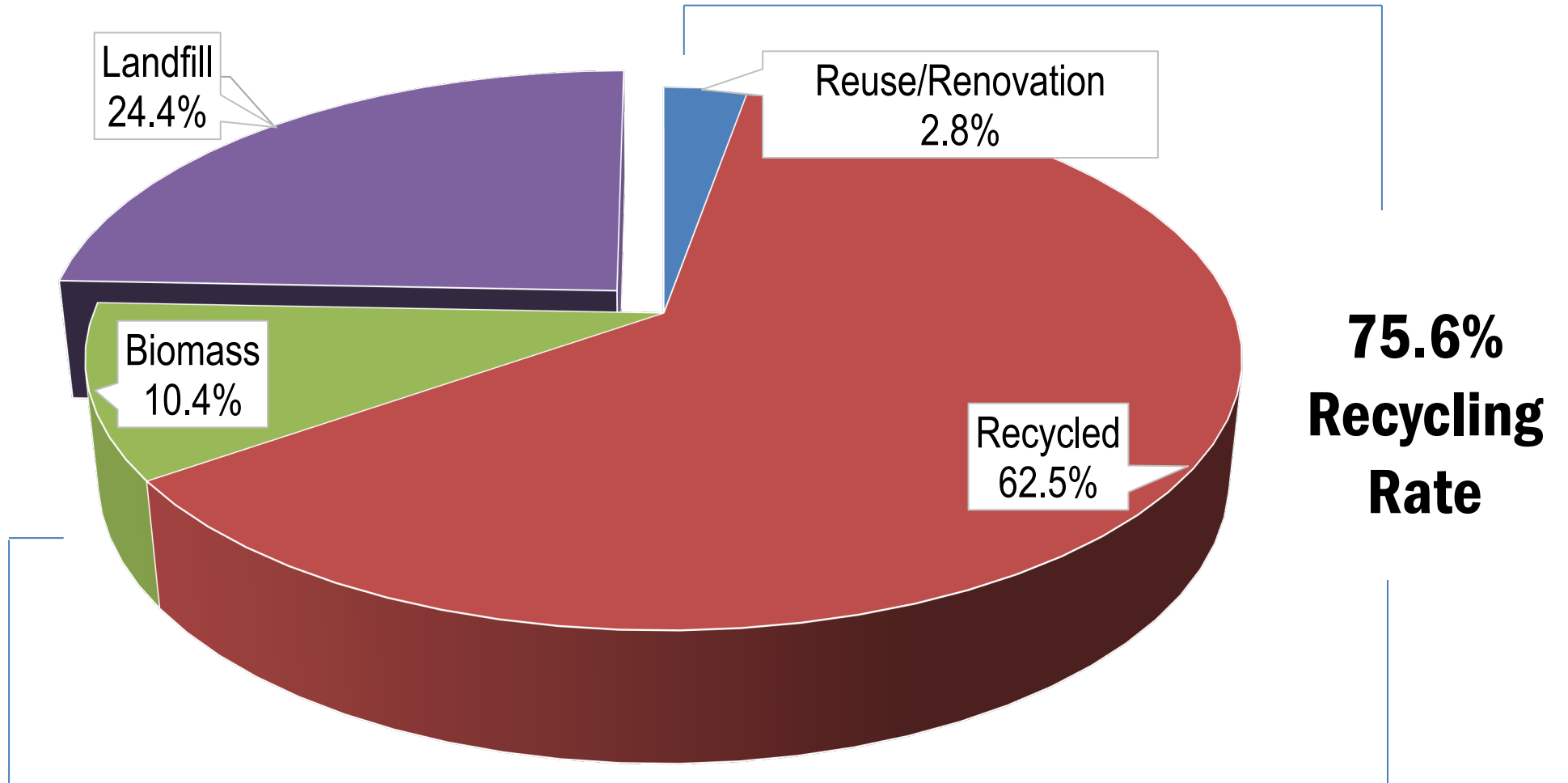
What Commodities Were Recycled?



MATTRESS & BOX SPRING BREAKDOWN



Disposition of Materials



Reuse/Renovation Disposition



1,258 units

Collection Sites
Whole Units Sent to Reuse



823 units

Recyclers
Whole Units Sent to Reuse

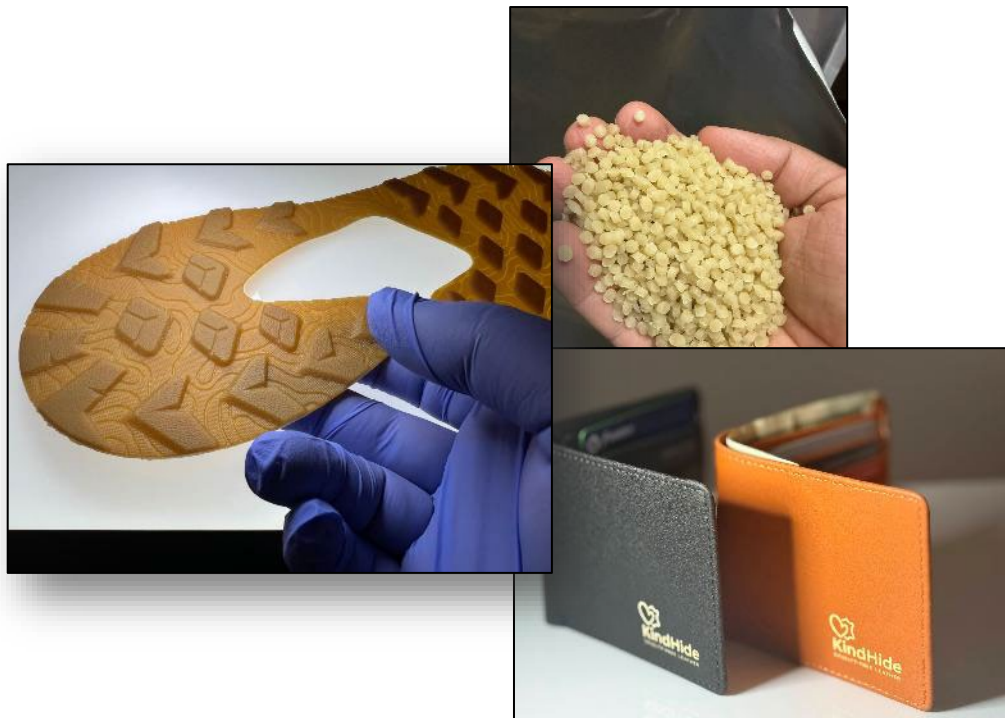


101,530 lbs.

Recycler Commodities
Sent to Reuse/Renovation

Research Efforts

*The priority is developing **higher-value, scalable end markets** for recovered mattress materials.*



- Foam Powder Technology
- Footwear Applications
- Vitrimer and Advanced Recycling Research
- Construction and Building Materials

Current & Completed Projects
[MRC's Research Page](#)



2026 Sustainability Conference

September 23-24, Charlotte, NC

Sustainability Committee

Broad industry representation, focused on industry education and promoting environmentally responsible practices and advocacy

Circularity Workgroups

- Workgroup on Circular Design including
 - Design for disassembly
 - Circular fabrication materials
 - Material labeling and digital traceability
 - Packaging across the value chain

Illegal Dumping Mitigation

Three-part strategy complimented by education and outreach.

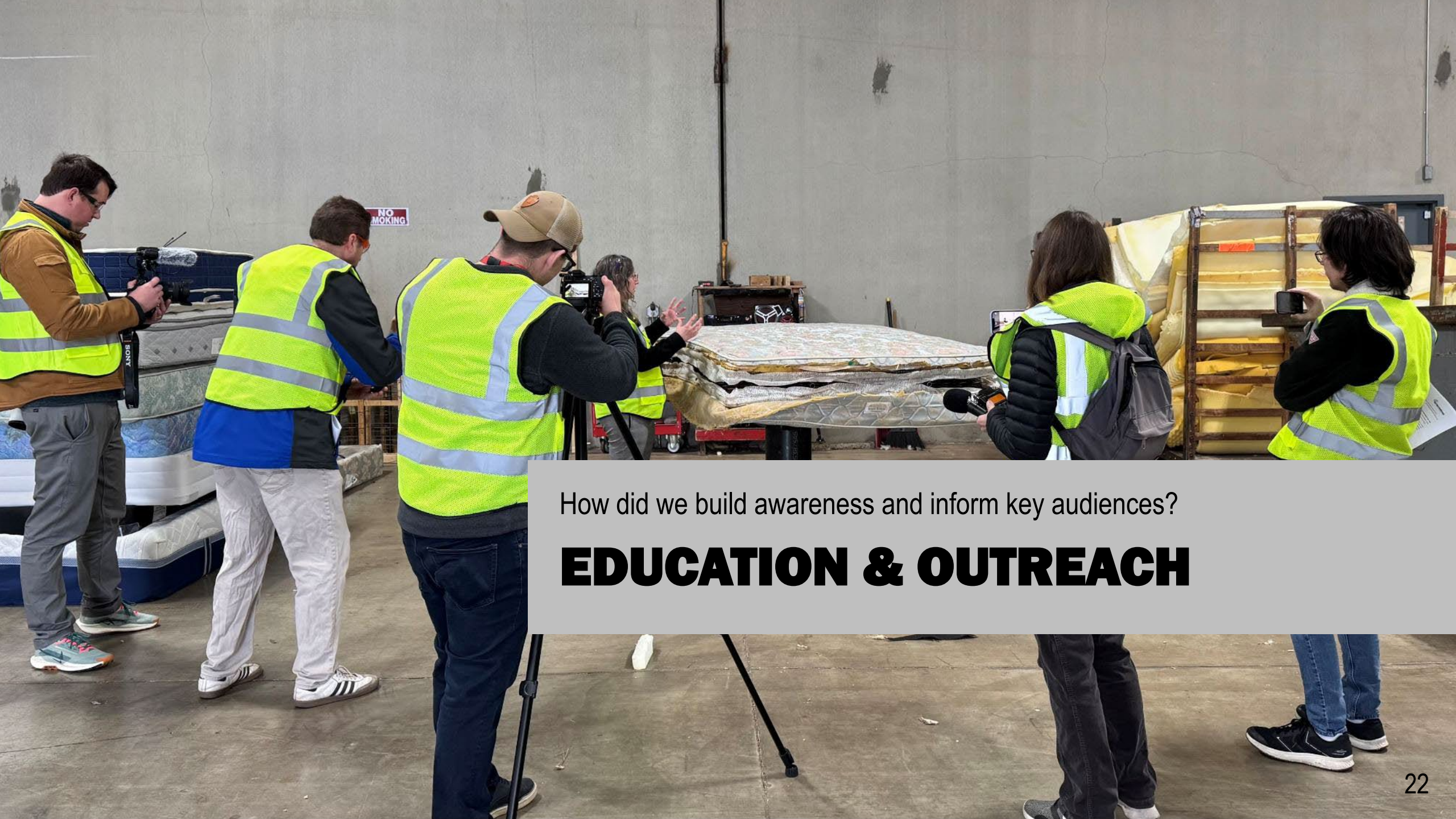


- 2025 – Stakeholder Meetings
- 2026 – Illegal Mattress Dumping Census
- 2027 – Offer Pilot Project Funding

Required Studies



- **2027:** Life Cycle Analysis of mattresses sold in Oregon (in progress)
- **2027:** Low-income, Multi-family collection study
- **2027:** Report on the scope of discarded mattresses not captured in the program



How did we build awareness and inform key audiences?

EDUCATION & OUTREACH

CONSUMERS

- Retailer Point-of-Sale Material
- Publicity Toolkits & Media Opportunities
- Public Service Announcement
- Digital and Social Media

INDUSTRY

- Direct mail and phone calls
- Media and industry presentation opportunities
- Advertising and collaborating with other industry associations



Mattress Industry Compliance



MattressRecyclingCouncil.org

Ads

Attention Mattress Sellers: New Oregon Law

To continue selling mattresses and foundations to Oregon consumers, you must comply with Oregon's Mattress Stewardship Act. This requires registering with MRC before Jan. 1, 2025.

Visit [MRCreporting.org](https://mrcreporting.org)
or call 1-888-646-6815

Important Legal Notice: Oregon Mattress Stewardship Act
Retailers, Manufacturers, Importers, Distributors and Renovators of Mattresses and Foundations For Use in Oregon Must Register with the Mattress Recycling Council and Meet Other Legal Requirements

Register on [MRCreporting.org](https://mrcreporting.org) by January 1, 2025



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Newsletters

Mattress Recycling Council®



RETAILER spotlight

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MRC NEWS

Preparing for Oregon

Are you registered with MRC?

With plan approval, MRC is now actively registering mattress retailers, distributors, importers, renovators, and retailers of mattresses for use in Oregon. Those in the mattress industry, including those who sell in Oregon, should become familiar with all their company's obligations and must register their business with MRC before Jan. 1, 2025.

Visit [MRCreporting.org](https://mrcreporting.org) to learn of your legal obligations, to register your company or update your existing profile to add Oregon.

How to prepare for sales on Jan. 1

- Register with MRC at [MRCreporting.org](https://mrcreporting.org)
- Verify the brands you carry are registered with MRC. Check the MRC website for a list of registered brands. If your brands are not listed, please notify your distributor or manufacturer at [MRCreporting.org](https://mrcreporting.org)
- Update your Point-of-Sale system to apply the Stewardship (fee) to the included products.
- Include a line item on your invoice or receipt to show the Assessment.
- Notify your staff about the program obligations.

Customer Education Materials

In December, you will receive a package of customer education materials tailored for your customers and Frequently Asked Questions. This will include posters for your store and receipt attachment cards. These cards will meet the requirement for retailers to provide consumers with the collection opportunities available through the program. Additional materials will be available to order online at no cost for printing.

MRC Expanding to Oregon in 2025

The program now operates in four states



OREGON'S DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY has authorized the Mattress Recycling Council to establish and administer a statewide mattress recycling program in the state. Oregon approved a modified operating plan, including a budget and ownership assessment to fund the program. MRC will launch its Oregon program on Jan. 1.

The plan and Oregon law require retailers, manufacturers, importers, distributors and renovators of mattresses and foundations sold for use in Oregon to register their business with MRC. Those aforementioned that sell these products to end-users – individual consumers or large-volume buyers – must also be prepared to collect the \$22.50 per unit stewardship assessment starting Jan. 1. They must display that amount as a line item on the receipt, invoice or other sales documentation that the seller provides the purchaser. Visit [MRCreporting.org](https://mrcreporting.org) to register or learn more.

"MRC encourages the mattress industry, solid-waste facilities and other interested parties to learn about this program and understand their role in a successful recycling program," said Mike O'Donnell, chief operating officer for MRC. "We offer a library of resources and have a wonderful team ready to answer your questions."

Between now and the program's launch, MRC will implement a statewide network to collect and recycle discarded mattresses from communities and businesses across Oregon, as well as address the local obligations of different sectors.

Media

Consumer Outreach



Unwanted Mattress? You've got options!

Are you at:

Household

Drop It Off

Mattresses and box springs in any condition, no matter when purchased, can be dropped off for free at participating locations.

Search for Location

Enter your zip code, address and we'll find the location nearest you.

Need more info? Call 1-855-494-8400 or visit www.byebyemattress.com

Retailer Take Back

As you prepare to purchase a new mattress, have it delivered, and your retailer will take back your old one. This may be provided at no charge depending on the retailer's policy.

Contact Us

View the list of retailers choosing to recycle with our program as well as those that are currently with Oregon's law to collect the Stewardship Assessment.

In Progress

We continue to expand our network of collection sites throughout Oregon.

Business

Our Commercial Response Program helps businesses, hotels, hospitals, universities, and many others.

ByeByeMattress.com

Find a Location

Find a mattress collection site, recycling facility, or collection event near you.

Enter address: Sort by: Clear

[Grid View](#) [Map View](#)

The Locations nearest you are:

LOCATION Clemson Central Receiving Station (2 miles) View This Location, Eugene, OR Drop Off Link: 10 unit max Service Type: Free drop off for businesses. Free drop off for residents. Hours: 1000AM to 600PM Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat, 800AM to 500PM Sun Other Languages Spoken: none Physical Accessibility Considerations: none More Info	LOCATION St. Vincent de Paul Society of Lane County - West Eugene Store (2 miles) View This Location, Eugene, OR Drop Off Link: 10 unit max without an appointment. Over 10 units need call for an appointment. Service Type: Free drop off for businesses. Free drop off for residents. Hours: 1000AM to 700PM Sun, Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat Other Languages Spoken: none Physical Accessibility Considerations: none More Info	LOCATION St. Vincent de Paul Society of Lane County - Garfield Store (2 miles) View This Location, Eugene, OR Drop Off Link: 10 unit max without an appointment. Over 10 units need call for an appointment. Service Type: Free drop off for businesses. Free drop off for residents. Hours: 1000AM to 700PM Sun, Mon, Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat Other Languages Spoken: none Physical Accessibility Considerations: none More Info
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Point-of-sale material

Rest Easy! Your Old Mattress CAN Be Recycled.

Drop off at a participating location, use your solid waste provider, or ask your retailer about taking it back.

\$22.50 Per Unit Assessment Required By Oregon Law

To comply with Oregon's Mattress Stewardship Act, the bedding industry created the Mattress Recycling Council, a nonprofit organization, which uses the stewardship assessments collected on the sale of all mattresses and box springs to administer and operate a statewide network of Bye Bye Mattress collection opportunities. Learn more at ByeByeMattress.com/Oregon.

YOUR MATTRESS RECYCLING OPTIONS

No-Cost Drop Off At A Participating Location

Use our website to find your nearest collection site or event. Only units used and discarded in Oregon are eligible.

Contact Your Solid Waste Provider

Your solid waste provider may offer to pick up large bulky items at the curb. See which ones recycle with Bye Bye Mattress on our website.

Ask Your Retailer To Take It Back

If you are having your mattress or box spring delivered, ask your retailer to take back an unwanted one. Retailers may choose to recycle with Bye Bye Mattress. Discuss during your purchase.

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Mattress Recycling is Easy

No-Cost Drop Off Options Near You

Bye Bye Mattress makes recycling your mattress easier.

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Find out how at: byebyemattress.com

byebyemattress.com

Sleep easier after recycling your mattress for free.

Ads

Collection Site & Event Signage Examples



Industry Recycling Outreach

OREGON

MATTRESS RECYCLING COUNCIL'S BYE BYE MATTRESS PROGRAM
COMMERCIAL VOLUME PROGRAM
 NO-COST MATTRESS RECYCLING FOR BUSINESSES AND ORGANIZATIONS

Overview

By participating in the Mattress Recycling Council's Bye Bye Mattress program, your business or organization will divert valuable material from the waste stream, support local green jobs and help reduce illegal dumping.

The Commercial Volume Program makes it easy for mattress retailers, universities, hotels, hospitals, the military and others with large volumes of discarded mattresses to use MRC's Bye Bye Mattress.

MRC is a nonprofit organization established by the bedding industry and authorized by Oregon's Department of Environmental Quality to operate the statewide program enacted by SB 1576. Learn more at MattressRecyclingCouncil.org.

What We Provide

- No-cost recycling services.
- No-cost drop-off at a participating recycler (no minimum required).
- No-cost transportation of collected mattresses to a participating recycler (100 unit minimum required).
- No-cost storage for eligible mattress retailers (100 units per month minimum required).

Eligibility Requirements

RETAILERS

- Mattress retailers must be registered with MRC, submitting the recycling fees (stewardship assessments) and compliant with all provisions of the law to participate.
- To receive no-cost drop-off at a participating recycler, the retailer must make arrangements with MRC.
- To receive no-cost transportation, the retailer must have accumulated a minimum of 100 units. Partnering with other local businesses and organizations, or allowing public drop-off to reach the minimum is permitted.
- To receive a permanent trailer, the retailer must accumulate at least 100 mattresses monthly. Partnering with other local businesses and organizations, or allowing public drop-off to reach the minimum is permitted.
- Units must have been used and discarded in Oregon.

HEALTHCARE FACILITIES • MILITARY BASES
HOTELS & LODGING FACILITIES
UNIVERSITIES & EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES

- To receive no-cost drop-off at a participating recycler, the facility must make arrangements with MRC.
- To receive no-cost transportation, the facility must have accumulated a minimum of 100 units. Partnering with other local businesses and organizations, or allowing public drop-off to reach the minimum is permitted.
- Units must have been used and discarded in Oregon.
- When purchasing new units, the facility's vendor must be collecting and submitting the recycling fee (stewardship assessment).

COMMERCIAL VOLUME PROGRAM CONTACT:
 Joy Broussard • (707) 307-3052, ORcyp@mrc-us.org
 Or visit ByeByeMattressCommercialRecycling.org for details.

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LET US TAKE A LOAD OFF YOUR PROPERTY FOR FREE.



Mattresses pile up fast — but now there's an easier way. The Mattress Recycling Council's Bye Bye Mattress program now operates in Oregon, allowing property managers and tenants to recycle mattresses and box springs at no cost.

Property managers confronted with piles of discarded mattresses can drop them off at designated recycling facilities, or may qualify for no-cost pickup. Registration is required and free outreach materials are available.

Tenants can drop off mattresses at collection sites or events. When buying new, they should ask their retailer about take back when arranging delivery or setup.

Ask us about no-cost recycling of mattresses and box springs.
 Joy Broussard • (707) 307-3052 or Email: ORcyp@mrc-us.org

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Proved to be as:
LOC
 100
 NEW GOLD RECYCLED MATTER

To learn more, visit: ByeByeMattress.com/or-multi-family-housing

WE'RE TAKING A LOAD OFF RETAILERS, FOR FREE. LEARN MORE!



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WE ARE TAKING A LOAD OFF HOTELS FOR FREE.



If you operate a hotel in California, Connecticut, Oregon, or Rhode Island, we can recycle your old mattresses through our Commercial Volume Program. Ask us how to receive no-cost recycling and transportation of your collected units.

California/Oregon:
 Contact Joy Broussard • (707) 307-3052
 CA: cyp@mrc-us.org
 OR: ORcyp@mrc-us.org

Connecticut/Rhode Island:
 Contact Dan McGowan • (860) 830-3832
dmcgowan@mrc-us.org

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To learn more, visit ByeByeMattress.com/Commercial-Recycling



How was this funded?

FINANCING

Expense Categories

- **Operational Costs** – collection, transportation, illegal mattress dumping mitigation, program studies, compliance audits, field visits
- **Public Education, Advertising and Promotion** – advertising, public relations, marketing materials, conferences and events, related travel and vendors
- **Program Administration** – management and professional services (financial audit), government relations, in-house and outsourced legal expenses
- **DEQ Oversight** – an annual fee required by the law

2027 Assessment Calculation

Stewardship Assessment Calculation	2026 - 2027
Total 2026-2027 Expenses (A)	\$ 14,108,143
Working Capital + Target Unallocated Reserve (B)	\$ 5,975,904
Less Investment Income (C)	\$ (147,354)
Less Late Fee Revenue (D)	\$ (5,000)
Less Year-end Fund Balance at 12/31/2025 (E)	\$ (3,098,498)
Amount to Cover (F = A + B – C – D - E)	\$ 16,833,195
Projected Unit Sales 2026-2027 (G)	748,142
Per Unit Assessment (H = F / G)	\$ 22.50

Stewardship Assessment Allocation



THANK YOU

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