**December 2024 Social Media Captions –**

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| **Facebook** | |
| December-FBImage-1- | As we prepare for the winter holidays, consider the environment when choosing gifts. Avoid excess packaging if you can. If you are ordering online, try to bundle deliveries to reduce the number of boxes and packing materials you receive. Make your own wrapping paper or use reusable gift bags. Think about creating a handmade gift for your special friends and loved ones, or, remember, a donation to a local charity in someone’s name or an annual membership to a local attraction is always a meaningful gift. #reducewaste #sustainability #sustainable holidays |
| December-FBImage-2  https://earth911.com/living-well-being/christmas-cleanup/ | Is wrapping paper recyclable? Maybe. If the paper is metallic or foil, includes glitter, sparkles, ribbons, or other embellishments, or includes a thin, plastic glossy coating, it is not recyclable. If you have this type of wrapping paper, try to save it to reuse later or throw it out. If you haven’t bought your wrapping paper yet, look for some that can be recycled once the gifts are opened. #reducewaste #sustainability #sustainable holidays  https://earth911.com/living-well-being/christmas-cleanup/ |
| December-FBImage-3 | It’s the time of the year when we may all be receiving more deliveries than usual. Most boxes and some envelope packaging is recyclable or even reuseable. When recycling cardboard boxes, make sure they are empty and broken down. For other packaging, check with your municipality or waste hauler to find out what’s recyclable in your community. #recycleright #recyclecardboard |
| December-FBImage-4  https://earth911.com/living-well-being/christmas-cleanup/ | When the holidays are over, what do you do with your Christmas tree? If it’s artificial, pack it up for next year or throw it away if it’s no longer useable. If it’s a real tree and hasn’t been flocked, check with your municipality or waste hauler for Christmas tree pick up or drop off days. Many communities will collect them and reuse them for mulch, compost, or erosion control on beach dunes. Just be sure to remove all the decorations before sending it out for re-use. |
| December-FBImage-5 (will go on December 31) | For 2025, make a resolution to recycle right! Try to purchase items made from recycled materials. Try to avoid products with excessive packaging. Reuse items when you can. Recycle things that are recyclable in your community. And, don’t put items that are not recyclable in your recycle bin, even if you wish they were recyclable! Always check with your municipality or waste hauler to find out what’s recyclable in your community. #recycleright |

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| **Instagram** | |
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| December-IGImage-2- | Resolve to recycle right in 2025. Buy recycled products. Avoid excessive packaging. Reuse what you can. Recycle recyclable items. And don’t try to recycle non-recyclable items. Always check with your municipality or waste hauler to find out what’s recyclable in your community. |

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| **X, formerly known as Twitter ((MAX 280 characters including spaces!)** | |
| December-XImage-1- | What to do with your Christmas tree after the holidays? 🎄♻️ Artificial: Store or throw away. Real: If it hasn’t been flocked many communities will reuse them for mulch, compost, or erosion control. Remember to remove all decorations first! Check with your city or waste hauler for pickup or drop-off information. |
| December-XImage-2- | Make a resolution to recycle right in 2025. Buy recycled, avoid excessive packaging, and don't put non-recyclable items in with your recycling. Always check with your municipality or waste hauler to find out what’s recyclable in your community. #recycleright #newyearnewyou #sustainability |