



**Doing Our Part in
NELA
through the
West Monroe
Recycling Center**



How it Began



A VISION

In the fall of 2018 after Mayor Staci Mitchell took office, the West Monroe Recycling Center opened as a self serve drop off facility free to the general public.



We Quickly Outgrew the Original Facility

Growing Pains

The original facility had limited parking and storage space for recyclable materials.



Funding for a New Facility

The city sought funding sources through The Recycling Partnership and grant funds through the “SWIFR” program from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

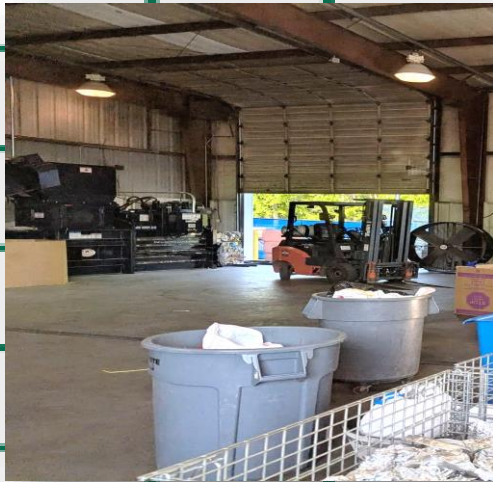




The expanded facility opened in early 2025. The facility now offers drive-through service and a classroom for educational outreach and field trips.

New Equipment

The new facility has a glass grinder, horizontal baler and a recycling trailer.



RECYCLING MADE EASY!

The West Monroe Recycling Center is excited to provide a

Mobile Recycle Trailer In Downtown West Monroe Every Thursday, 8 AM to 2 PM

(Starting January 30)

Location: Public parking lot at the
corner of Trenton & Wood Streets
near the flower sculpture.

Items collected include:
Cardboard, plastic water bottles,
aluminum cans & glass
(Accepted items are subject to change.)

This is a free service available to the general public.



Our planet, our future

The Results



AUGUST BY

NUMBERS

Over
2,500



vehicles came through
the Recycling Center.

21

bales of water
bottles were made.



19

bales of cardboard
were made.



248

vehicles came
through on the
busiest day.



5.64

TONS of glass
was ground.



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Car Count since opening new facility in February 2025 – 15,954

From January 1, 2023 to present, the facility has collected:

- * 330 tons of cardboard**
- * 104 tons of PET #1 (plastic water bottles)**
- * 53 tons of aluminum**
- * 49 tons of crushed glass**



Teaching the Next Generation





**THERE IS NO SUCH
THING AS 'AWAY'.
WHEN WE THROW
ANYTHING AWAY,
IT MUST GO
SOMEWHERE.**

ANNIE LEONARD

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