

# TRASH TALK

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## Document DESTRUCTION

You've got options...



Thompson's Sanitary has been partnering with iSecure, an Oregon company, for the last 5 years to offer you confidential document destruction for your home or office.

As many know, shredded paper is no longer accepted in your curbside Mixed Recycling cart because it's too small for the sorting equipment and literally falls through the cracks or is compromised by getting wet and contaminated from the other recyclables in your cart. **Both services offered by iSecure recycle 100% of the shredded paper** because it's delivered to the recycling facility in recyclable condition and doesn't have to be sorted due to it all being the same material.

### Office/Commercial Shredding

Office or Commercial Service delivers a 65 gallon cart (holding up to 25 lbs of paper) to your business and you can choose between an on-call or every four-week onsite shredding service.



## SHREDBOX

ShredBox is designed for home use, but can also be used by offices if confidential document shredding needs are low.

### Here's how it works:

1. Collect your confidential materials in your ShredBox (available at our office) - paper documents, CD's, old checkbooks, cassettes, VHS tapes.
2. Bring your full ShredBox back to the Thompson's Sanitary office. Your material is secured and ready for destruction. iSecure's mobile shred truck comes to our office and does all the work. Re-use your ShredBox each time!
3. Confirmation is provided showing proof of destruction and all materials are recycled.



Contact our office at 541-265-7249 for more information or email us at the address provided below.

## In the Know

### 3R's for Valentine's

#### Choose less waste this Valentine's Day

Valentine's Day is right around the corner! How can you celebrate it and have the least environmental impact?

**Candy Wrappers:** Most candy wrappers are not recyclable, but you can still make choices to create less waste. Challenge yourself to walk the Valentine candy aisle with this thought in mind: what can I purchase with the least amount of packaging (waste) or is possibly recyclable?

Although aluminum foil is recyclable, single aluminum foil wrappers on their own cannot be recycled because they're too small. But...you **CAN** collect foil wrappers and when you have enough to make a baseball size ball, throw it in recycling for a home run!

Due to the recycling sorting equipment (conveyor belts, etc) they will fall through the cracks if foil is smaller than baseball size.



**Valentine's Cards:** Instead of buying new in packages from the store, be creative and make unique Valentine's cards with what you have around the house.



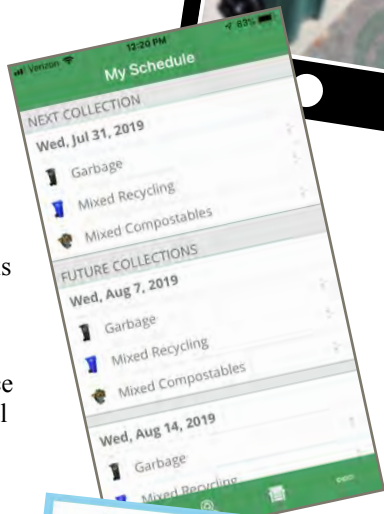
# THE APP YOU DIDN'T KNOW YOU NEEDED

## Thompson's Sanitary

In August we launched a mobile app, designed for residential customers, to keep informed of every aspect about your service. After downloading the app, enter your home address, and voila! your address-specific schedule populates. The app also allows you to get service alerts (if we're delayed due to a weather event, etc), schedule a bulky item pick-up, pay your bill, and undoubtedly the most useful feature: the Waste Wizard!

The Waste Wizard search engine allows you to enter what item you're wanting to know what cart it belongs in. When entering the text, it starts to give options to click on. This search engine is maintained by Thompson's Sanitary and is updated weekly as customers suggest new materials and as our business refines answers, some including reuse & reduce options. If you have a material suggestion, please email us at [info@thompsonsanitary.com](mailto:info@thompsonsanitary.com).

Our waste is something we should all start analyzing to reduce our waste and carbon footprint. This tool might help you making purchasing decisions based on whether it's recyclable or not. Go ahead, download, and give it a try!



## Employee Spotlight:



# TINA HUBER

Many of you will recognize Tina Huber, our newest Thompson's team member. She has lived in the Newport area for over 50 years, going to school here, raising her family with

Craig, her husband of 34 years, and working in customer service at Fred Meyer. Tina came to us in August and brings a wealth of experience to her role as a customer service representative in our office. If you call or drop-in, it's likely Tina will greet you with her pleasant voice and cheerful disposition.

Family is everything to Tina and she devotes the majority of her time outside work doing crafts, outings with her family, as well as caring for her grandchildren. Tina and Craig are very proud of their family: two daughters, Aundrea and Ashley, their husbands Mike and Josh, and grandchildren Paytin (7 yrs), Madilyn (5 yrs), Josh Jr. (3 yrs), and Braylyn (3 yrs). Tina also feels fortunate her mother and sisters live in the area so she's able to spend time with them as well.

Tina loves where she lives and incorporates her family in a number of her favorite activities like camping, boating, swimming, and sewing.

Thompson's Sanitary is thrilled Tina has joined our TSS family. We're thankful to have a hometown local serving our customers!



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