

A viable program since 1992, the Marketing Cooperative serves over 250 Maine towns, cities, townships and businesses through 80+ regional and stand-alone recycling processing centers.

Developed through a partnership between the former Maine Waste Management Agency and the Maine Resource Recovery Association, the Cooperative provides a forum for recycling personnel to network with peers, industry officials, and end-user markets.

The Cooperative also provides education on market trends, product specifications, workplace safety, and annual forklift certification through the Maine Bureau of Labor.

Meetings provide a forum to identify common needs, solutions and goals.

The Cooperative is committed to using and developing Maine markets for recyclable materials as long as the markets are stable, prices are competitive, and payments are made in a timely manner.

Cooperative Marketing Programs

- Newspaper & Magazines
- Old Corrugated Cardboard
- Office Paper
- Boxboard/Mixed Paper
- #2 HDPE plastic bottles
- Other Plastics (#1 PET, etc.)
- Light Iron / Scrap Metal
- Tin cans (*baled or loose*)
- Tires
- Glass
- Freon Removal

Cooperative Purchasing Programs

- Baling Wire & Steel Strapping
- Compost Bins
- Recycling Bins
- Curbside Toters
- Promotional Items

The Cooperative markets over 30,000 tons annually!

What Members Say...

"The Cooperative provides marketing, consulting, and administrative services for \$4.00 per ton that Bangor would have difficulty providing on its own." - Jerry Hughes, City of Bangor Recycling (Bangor serves as a processing center for 27 participating towns and through the Cooperative provides a revenue-sharing program for those towns.)

"The Cooperative works for its members, and it's not driven by a need to make a profit so it can focus on providing good service." - Ron Slater, Sandy River Recycling Association (Located in Farmington, SRRRA serves as a processing center for 17 area towns.)

Membership includes or provides:

- ♦ www.mrra.net website
- ♦ Membership in the Maine Resource Recovery Association
- ♦ Quarterly newsletters
- ♦ Workshops & Annual Conference
- ♦ Must actively move at least one material exclusively through the Cooperative
- ♦ Marketing services provided for \$4.00/ton (deducted from revenue checks)
- ♦ Assistance in forming recycling alliances between public and private entities
- ♦ Maintains database to assist towns with annual state tonnage reports and local reporting
- ♦ Annual membership fees \$50-\$500 (please call)



Let the MRRRA Cooperative market a trial load for your town or business.

Call 207-942-6772

The Marketing Cooperative is more than a recyclable materials broker. It:

- ◆ Provides consistent product specifications
- ◆ Provides market research & development
- ◆ Maintains multiple markets for each material
- ◆ Maintains relationships with brokers and end-users
- ◆ Places orders with markets
- ◆ Coordinates the transportation
- ◆ Coordinates partial loads between towns
- ◆ Allows members to maintain control of the sale
- ◆ Has accountability to members
- ◆ Is a member advocate in the marketplace
- ◆ Maintains a control & documentation system to provide accurate payment
- ◆ Provides administrative support, collections, & dispute resolution
- ◆ Offers workshops to improve marketability of materials, workplace safety, and information regarding regulations
- ◆ Created and presents the Annual Maine Recycling & Solid Waste Conference in cooperation with our sponsors & exhibitors

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