



# STEM Careers

## Recycling Coordinators

**Job Description:** Supervise curbside and drop-off recycling programs for municipal governments or private firms.

### What does a Recycling Coordinator do?

- Oversee recycling pick-up or drop-off programs to ensure compliance with community ordinances
- Create or manage recycling operations budgets
- Prepare grant applications to fund recycling programs or program enhancements
- Inspect physical condition of recycling or hazardous waste facility for compliance with safety, quality, and service standards
- Negotiate contracts with waste management or other firms
- Coordinate recycling collection schedules to optimize service and efficiency
- Educate the public on how to recycle or on the environmental advantages of recycling
- Design community waste management programs

### Your Interests:

- Do you like communicating with members of your community to bring about change?
- Do you want to spread awareness on the benefits of recycling?
- Are you interested in minimizing environmental damage through waste management?

### Outlook:

Average Salary - \$26.37 hourly, \$54,850 annually

Projected Job Openings - 61,500 in the next 10 years

### Education/Program of Study:

- Entry level positions require a high school diploma. Higher positions might require an associate's or bachelor's degree.

Sources:

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