

# Lab Plastics Recycling Program

## Greening UBC Okanagan Labs

Recycle lab plastics  
and you'll reduce waste!

*Recovered plastic is recycled into new products, such as park benches, lanyards and sleeping bag fill.*

- Step 1: To establish the **Lab Plastics Recycling Program** in a lab visit [sustain.ok.ubc.ca/initiatives/labplastics.html](http://sustain.ok.ubc.ca/initiatives/labplastics.html)
- Step 2: Place uncontaminated plastic products and packaging in white collection bin.  
*You can even include cardboard packaging material.*
- Step 3: Empty contents from full white bin into campus-wide blue comingled recycling bins located in hallway.
- Step 4: Return white bin to lab and fill again.
- Step 5: Report white bin deposit using online portal.



Recycling lab plastics through this program ensures that reusable material does not end up in the landfill, where it can take 450-1000 years to breakdown.

For more ways to reduce waste and save energy in labs, visit [sustain.ok.ubc.ca](http://sustain.ok.ubc.ca)



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