



Why this C&D Handbook is Important?



As a builder, you are aware how the Houston practice dictates that construction waste is taken to landfills - but did you know it is estimated that the **13** counties in the Houston Galveston area are predicted to run out of landfill space in the year 2016?¹ Even if every application for expansion is granted, they only buy another twenty years worth of space. This timeline could be extended if C&D waste were recycled. C&D waste represents up to 30% of the total waste there.

That's why it is important for you and your company to make a jump start on finding alternatives for your waste stream practices for the benefit.

Get an edge on your competitors and make your homes more marketable

What are the benefits for my company?

Now that you know how important it is to recycle your construction waste, this guide has done all the work for you on finding out how to seamlessly integrate these methods for you day-in-day out. Your company can also benefit from knowing that you are operating in the most cost effective way. No more throwing your client's money away in the form of building materials!

Some Highlights of this guide include:

- *Where to Start?* The section that includes helpful planning hints for your job site.
- Reuse and recycling facilities specific for the Houston Galveston Area. No need to call around looking for locations, we've done the work for you! Some resources [vendors??] will even come to your job site to collect the material!
- A simple method to calculate your waste stream scale and value.
- Practical ways for builders to put the three R's into practice (reduce, reuse, recycle) in daily common sense and profitable ways.
- Section on disposal regulations detailing step-by-step how to store and collect materials properly on site.

¹ Texas Commission on Environmental Quality study, 2002.