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Being a part of a community with little recognition and approaches to recycling in an effective manner has me started as to how simple issues or schemes have not been put into place already in my community, alongside information and resources to enable residences with the skills and knowledge to make better waste choices.

I believe all homes should be automatically given an 'organic' (green lid) bin which is for organic waste. At the moment we are in a renting residence and the only way we can have access to a green bin is if our landlords agree to paying the \$115 fee through our local council and waste services which deems too costly for our landlords, this is frustrating and in considerate of residences such a myself trying to make the best waste choices possible.

Alongside this factor, I also believe homes should be equipped with bench top caddies to ensure kitchen organic waste is disposed of properly, making the 'organic' bins an easy approach for day to day life tasks. This scheme was rolled out in Wangaratta and has seen great success for homes reducing landfill waste, this would greatly benefit any home looking for simple ways to cut down waste and reduce greenhouse emissions.

As a teacher in this community, I also find that information for our local schools lacks support in trying to do their bit in ensuring waste is disposed of in the appropriate ways. Funding some in-school education for both students and teachers would stream knowledge into classrooms and homes and has a massive impact on how the community can successfully learn how to be effective at waste management.

I support the idea of circular waste management and the idea of glass jars being able to be claimed for coins, similar to those of tin cans in other Australian states. This would have a beneficial impact on residents and whole communities making smart and informed choices of what and how they are recycling.

I truly believe that information is key to 'everyday' people and allowing empowerment to the people who need information to make the right choices. There is some really good information but to find it, you have to hunt, this needs to be readily available to residents, funding and encouraging change.

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