

Recycled Products

Company:

Close the Loop
(Kunkletown, Pennsylvania)
www.closestheLoop.com

Product:

Fencing

Recycled content:

100-percent recycled HDPE

Target market:

Builders

The Milk Jug Fence, made by Close the Loop, doesn't need staining or painting, and there are no questionable chemicals to leach out of it, unlike pressure-treated wood. The recycled fencing is made using a process to make the plastic posts and rails look as if they were cut from redwood trees.



Fence stock is shaped and cut to make uniformly-fitting posts and rails. Standard woodworking tools can be used to easily cut, staple or screw into the plastic fencing and insulators are not required for electric fence installation. Plastic posts are virtually solid and do not require timber or metal inserts. One two-rail section of fencing is made from the equivalent of 525 gallon-sized HDPE milk jugs.

Company:

CSIPLASTICS, Inc.
(Holden, Massachusetts)
www.csiplastics.com

Product:

Reusable bag

Recycled content:

99-percent recycled polypropylene

Target market:

General consumer

The Better Bag is a line of bags that are strong, large capacity, woven, laminated and designed to last and last. They're moisture-, grease- and stain-resistant, as well as hand washable. The bags require no separate bottom panels like less-sturdy sacks. They fold up small for easy storage at home, in your car, handbag or coat pocket.

The bags were designed by people with extensive knowledge in plastic recycling and are 100-percent recyclable, being made from no commingled materials or plastics. They are also customizable.

The bags are 16 inches high, 12 inches wide and 8 inches deep. They have double-sewn handles and reinforced seams.

Consumers who purchase the Better Bag can check to see if the store where they bought it at has a partnership with CSIPLASTICS. If so, they can return the bag there for recycling.



Company:

The FlipFlop Recycling Company
(Nairobi, Kenya)
www.theffrc.com

Product:

Handcrafted art

Recycled content:

100-percent post-consumer recycled
flip-flops

Target market:

General consumer

The FlipFlop Recycling Company was started by two Kenyan women who encouraged others to collect discarded flip-flops on beaches and recycle them into colorful crafts. Today, the company is a social enterprise that helps drive development while cleaning up beaches. Artisans from local communities earn an income transforming the collected waste into flip-flop creations.

The company makes fashions and accessories, as well as household goods, gifts, games, stationary, IT accessories and artwork from discarded flip-flops. Many of the products are brightly colored and look like wildlife found in East Africa. Also available are special collections for holidays and birthdays.

