Dorm Storm

Purpose of Activity: To encourage and educate about recycling through one-on-one interactions.

Objectives/Learning Outcomes:
By actively participating in this activity, participants will:
- Learn what materials are recyclable
- Encourage their neighbors to recycle

Materials Needed:
- Clear trash bags

Disclaimer:
- If residents don’t want to donate, don’t pressure them to do so.

Facilitation Guide
1. A group of students will go door-to-door, asking residents for their recyclable materials.
2. Take the time to sort through the recycling in front of the resident, filtering out anything that needs to be trash and explaining why.
3. Move on to the next resident.
4. Take all recyclable materials and trash to your hall’s outdoor containers.

Helpful Hints:
- We recycle plastics numbered 1-7, glass, paper, and aluminum/tin on campus.
- EMPTY! All bottles and cans that are being thrown into the recycling bags need to be completely empty. Please make sure that residents dump out whatever liquid is in their bottles before they put them in the recycling bags and bins. This will help keep your hall clean and allow the item to be recycled.
- CARDBOARD? No, cardboard cannot be placed in bags for recycling at any time. Each hall has an area outside specifically for cardboard recycling. Please do not collect cardboard during a dorm storm unless that is all you are collecting. Please make sure everyone know where the cardboard recycling area is located. Remember, the most important thing about cardboard is that there cannot be anything inside, and should be flattened.
- When you take your recycling to the outdoor location, dump the bag into the large container and throw the bag away. We cannot have any plastic bags in the recycling.