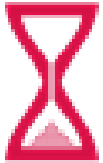


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## Sustainability Card Art

**Purpose of Activity:** To show students the benefits of reusing and recycling materials.

### Objectives/Learning Outcomes:

By actively participating in this activity, participants will:

- Learn why reusing is just as important as recycling
- Learn strategies for reusing and recycling
- Make something lasting that can be given to someone

### Materials Needed:

- Have residents bring scrap paper or any craft making supplies they might have. Also, raid the supply room for markers, paint, scissors, glue, stickers, scrap paper, felt, ribbons, etc.

### Facilitation Guide:

1. Working with the residents, identify a person or people they would like to make a card for.
2. Using the craft supplies, get creative and decorate the cards as conservatively or lavishly as they would like.
3. Take time to write out the inside of the cards before they leave.
4. Recycle materials not used.

### Discussion:

- What are the benefits of reusing scrap items to make cards (seems more personal, better for the environment, etc.)?
- What are some other items you have lying around that you could give new life to?
- Why is reusing paper and other products better than recycling them?
- What do you do when you have an item that can no longer be reused?
- What do we recycle in the halls?
  - Glass (colored and clear)
  - Paper (newspaper, magazines, printer paper, mail, etc.)
  - Plastic (numbers 1 through 7)
  - Metals (tin and aluminum)
  - In special containers
    - Cardboard (outdoor cages)
    - Rechargeable batteries (tube in indoor recycling center)
    - Ink cartridges (tube in indoor recycling center)
    - Plastic bags (blue bin near vending machines)

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### Helpful Hints:

- You can make great picture envelopes from old magazine ads or pages.
- It's helpful to pick an occasion, like Valentines Day or St. Patrick's Day, to theme the cards.