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Can you help open doors?

DCU faces increasing challenges in our efforts to secure funding for the many projects that are critical to the future development of the university. The sheer number of requests for support received by potential donors, companies and individuals from many worthy charitable organisations makes it increasingly difficult to gain access to decision makers.

Identifying and approaching the right people within an organisation is key to successful fundraising. Chances of success are further enhanced if the introduction can be facilitated by a work colleague or associate. This is where you as an alumnus of DCU can be a vital support. Can you open doors for us?

We know many of you are in positions within your organisation where you may be able to facilitate an introduction. Perhaps you can even

influence the decisions to provide support to DCU.

In the past we have received help from alumni like Ed McGivney, a graduate of DCU working with the Hibernian Group, Ireland's largest insurance provider. Ed is a member of the DCU Leadership Circle (see page 75) and facilitated an introduction to his colleagues at Hibernian. His assistance resulted in DCU receiving a €40,000 donation from Hibernian towards the DCU Access programme.

Many of you have already helped the Trust – with a quick phone call to us – and we hope that more of our alumni and friends will help open doors for us over the coming year. If you can help, please contact a member of the DCU Educational Trust, Development Team on 7005467.



Recycling on Campus



For the past four years DCU has been actively pursuing alternatives to landfill by establishing systems to recycle various materials. The Estates Office has looked at different ways of making any new recycling initiatives user friendly, safe, attractive, cost effective, and environmentally sound.

So far we have expanded the scope of waste recycling on campus with the introduction of measures to segregate recyclable waste out of the waste stream – paper, plastic, cans, cardboard, tin, aluminum, timber, using an oxygen-like approach of one bin for general waste and one for recyclables which reflects what people are doing at home in a domestic capacity. The aim is to make recycling simple and easily accessible to everyone.

Recycling bins have been placed in school offices and similar locations. From there the recyclables will be collected and brought to a central location for collection by the recycling company. There are also recycling wheelie bins located at the Residences, Restaurants, Bar, Sports Centre and the Helix and two outside the Spar shop for everyone's use.

What can be placed in the recycling bins?

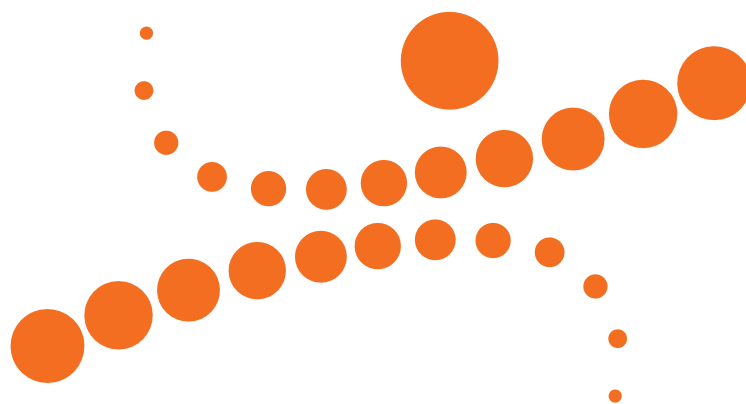
Plastic bottles, shrink wrap, tin, aluminium cans, glass, tetra pak (needs to be washed out first), paper, newsprint, magazines, brochures.

Please no: glass, styrofoam, food contaminated wrappers, paper towels, tissues, toilet paper, paper cups or black bags.

There are glass bottle banks located between the Sports Complex and the Residences. The Restaurant, Helix, Bar, School of Nursing and behind the Library also have bottle banks.

Finally 4/6 times a year WEEE Recycle come in and collect electronic and electrical waste from Schools/Units for recycling.

Recycling has been extremely successful on campus. Staff and students have enthusiastically supported each new addition to recycling and have added their own suggestions on ways to improve the recycling system. Within the coming year it is our hope to bring composting onto campus in our continued efforts to make DCU a 'green' campus.



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