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Battery Recycling Program Expands in B.C.

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British Columbia is now the first North American jurisdiction to feature a free government-mandated recycling program for all household batteries.

The Call2Recycle program, active in the province since 1997, will expand to include *all lithium ion and rechargeable batteries under five kilograms*. It will recycle cellphones and electronic devices, but exclude car batteries. Once collected, the batteries are taken to sorting facilities where they will be separated by type and shipped to processors where they are melted down to harvest the valuable metals or by-products. Call2Recycle has committed to a goal of collecting 25 per cent of the batteries sold in the province.

Batteries can currently be dropped off at 3215 Eby Street, City Hall, City of Terrace. Additional drop-off locations within the community will be determined over the next month. Any business or organization wishing to become a drop-off location can do so by contacting Call2Recycle customer service at 1-888-224-9764 or customerservice@call2recycle.ca.

Household batteries contain toxic metals like mercury, lead and cadmium and these toxics leach into the ground when they end up in the landfill. Keeping batteries out of the landfill is another important step in moving towards being a lower impact and eventually a zero waste community.

For further details on this program please see [this](#) related news release or contact Tara Irwin @ tirwin@terrace.ca.