

# Special Olympics Kansas



## Cash for Cans Fundraiser

Premise:

Gather aluminum cans, crush them, sell them to a recycling company and give the proceeds to Special Olympics Kansas. Interesting facts about recycling:

- Beverage containers represent less than 20% of the materials collected at curbside and they generate 70% of total scrap value.
- Americans earn about One-Billion Dollars a year recycling aluminum cans.
- Recycling diverted 1.7 billion pounds of waste from landfills.

Who or where to contact for cans?

- Your department or station
- Local fire houses
- Local golf courses
- Local retailers (gas stations, retail outlets, auto dealerships)

Have fun with the event! Create a challenge! Start a contest asking your friends, co-workers and others to bring in cans so you can crush cans for two or more solid hours.

*Also, don't forget about other pieces of scrap metals! Many recyclers take other types of scrap metal. Call your local recycler for a complete list of all the types of metal they take.*