

## Life of a Cardboard Box

1 You receive a delivery.



2 You slice open the tape, remove your item, flatten the box and put it out in your recycling bin. But what happens to it?



3 Once it makes its way to the recycling facility, it's separated from other recyclables.



4 It's baled and then sent to be shredded into small pieces.

5 Moisture is added and these pieces break down into a pulp and are filtered.

7 The cardboard is either made into another box or is downcycled, meaning it is used to create thinner paper products, like wrapping paper or toilet paper.



6 Later, more water is added, and the pulp is rolled out in big sheets to dry.

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