Did you buy more paint than you need, or did someone else leave old paint behind? Almost everyone has a few gallons of leftover paint sitting around. What are you supposed to do with it?

You could give old paint to a friend, or try to use it up, but when you’ve run out of ideas, just take it to a PaintCare drop-off location. There’s probably one near you.

PaintCare is a non-profit organization formed by paint companies through their trade association, the American Coatings Association. Since 2010, PaintCare has set up more than 1,500 convenient places in seven states where households and businesses can get rid of old, unwanted paint and be sure it will be properly recycled or disposed. PaintCare is funded by a nominal fee on all new paint sales in those same states; there is no charge to households or businesses for dropping off paint, and local governments save money on managing unwanted paint.
Now in its fifth year, PaintCare’s Oregon program has collected more than two million gallons of paint and set up 160 convenient drop-off locations throughout the state. And because Oregon was the first state with a PaintCare program, it can take credit for inspiring California (now in its third year with 750 locations) and six other states to work with paint manufacturers to create similar programs. Through these programs, the paint industry is leading the way for product stewardship in the United States.

Product stewardship means that everyone from manufacturers to consumers contributes to managing the life cycle of a product – production, use, recycling or disposal – to help protect our health and the environment. With PaintCare, the paint industry is creating innovative programs to make it easier than ever to manage paint through environmentally sound and cost-effective stewardship programs.

So why wait?

Recycle your paint at a paint drop-off site near you.

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