



2025

Impact Report

**The
Battery
Network**



A Message from Leo Raudys



As we reflect on 2025, one thing is clear: batteries are becoming increasingly essential to how we live, work, and move. From everyday household devices to e-bikes, power tools, and emerging energy technologies, batteries play a growing role in modern life, and with that growth comes a greater responsibility to manage them safely and sustainably at end of life.

Throughout the year, we continued to strengthen the nationwide network that makes battery recycling possible. We expanded collection access, launched new state stewardship programs, increased battery collections, advanced public education efforts, and invested in innovative solutions to address the evolving needs of manufacturers, retailers, communities, and consumers. Together we helped make battery recycling safer, more accessible, and more effective across the United States.

2025 was also a year of transformation. As the battery landscape continues to evolve, so too must our organization. While our mission remains unchanged, we spent much of the year preparing for the next chapter of our journey...one that reflects the broader role we play in connecting people, programs, partners, and resources across the battery lifecycle. Call2Recycle is now The Battery Network.

This report highlights the impact we achieved together in 2025. From expanding collection networks and stewardship programs to advancing safety initiatives, emergency response and cleanup capabilities, and next-generation battery management solutions, each accomplishment reflects the dedication of our employees, partners, stewards, and collection sites. Their commitment continues to strengthen the systems that keep batteries out of landfills, recover valuable materials, and protect communities.

As we look ahead, the opportunities and responsibilities before us continue to grow. The transition to a more electrified future will require trusted infrastructure, innovative solutions, and strong partnerships. We are committed to leading that effort and helping build a safer, more sustainable battery ecosystem for generations to come.

Thank you for your partnership, support, and shared commitment to responsible battery management.

Sincerely,
Leo Raudys
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In Honor of William (Chip) Wildes, Jr.

Founding Board Member

William “Chip” Wildes, Jr. was a founding board member whose leadership, expertise, and dedication helped shape The Battery Network from its earliest days. Serving from 1994 until his passing in 2025, including a term as co-CEO, Chip played an important role in advancing battery recycling in the United States and guiding the organization through decades of growth and change.

Known for his integrity, wisdom, and commitment to others, Chip leaves a lasting legacy across The Battery Network, the battery industry, his longtime company SAFT, and the Valdosta, Georgia community he called home. We are grateful for his many contributions and the foundation he helped build.



**Leading
the Charge,
together.**

Call2Recycle is now The Battery Network

Let us reintroduce ourselves

For more than 30 years, Call2Recycle helped make battery recycling safe, accessible, and convenient.

As the battery landscape continues to evolve, so has our role. Today, we support battery stewardship, safety, collection, recycling, and responsible battery management across North America.

In 2026, we became The Battery Network—a name that reflects the people, programs, and partners that make this work possible.

New name. Same mission. Broader impact.

The Battery Network

Our Brand Pillars



Stewardship



Collections



Education



Solutions



Innovation

In 2025, we expanded our reach, strengthened our programs, and continued to make battery recycling more accessible, efficient, and impactful nationwide.

Guided by our five brand pillars, we made measurable progress in building a stronger, safer, and more connected battery recycling network.

Each pillar represents how we deliver our mission and shapes how we engage with our audiences. Together, they reflect our commitment to every part of the battery recycling ecosystem, from the businesses and municipalities we partner with to the millions of people who rely on convenient battery recycling across the country.





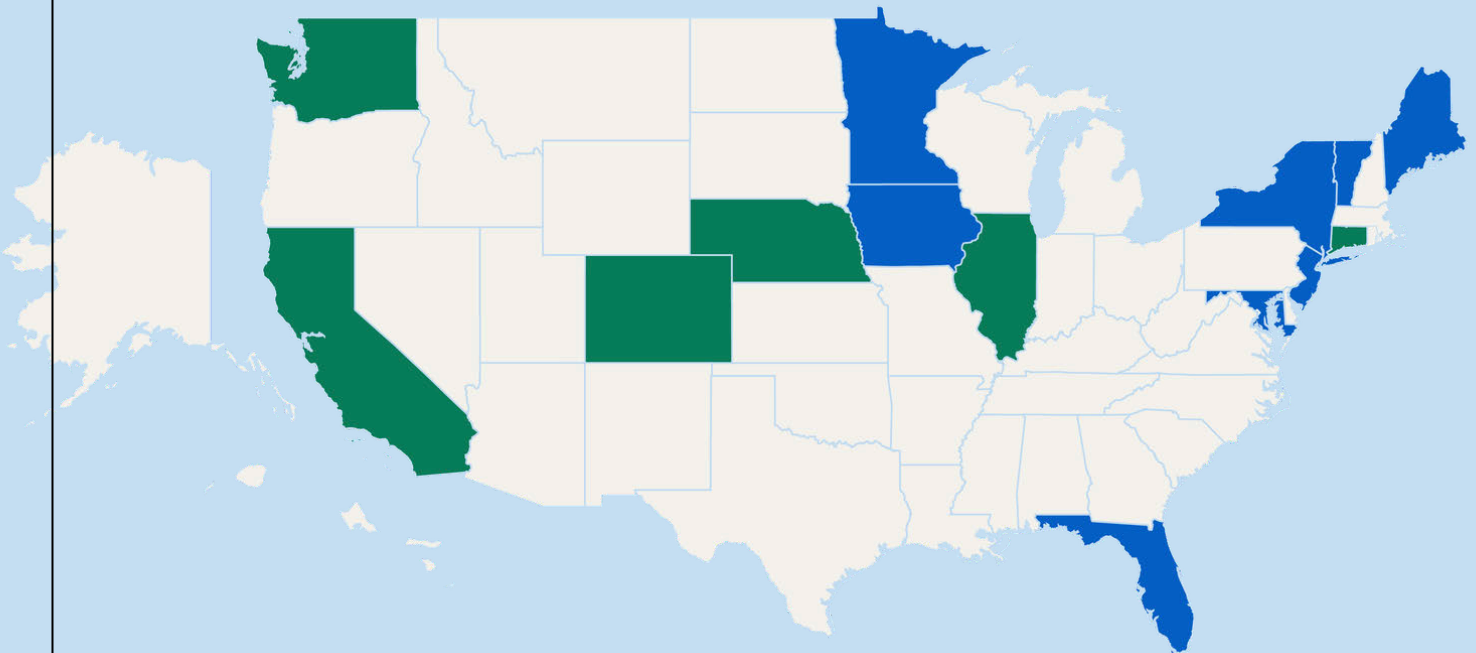
Stewardship

Powering compliance. Driven by purpose.

We support manufacturers in meeting evolving regulatory requirements while advancing safe, compliant battery recycling nationwide.

Momentum for Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) continued to build in 2025 as states expanded battery stewardship legislation and prepared for future program implementation. The Battery Network worked alongside manufacturers, regulators, and partners to support planning efforts and help ensure new programs launch with consistency, transparency, and compliance.

2025 Legislation



- Operational Program
- Program in Development

As new regulations took shape, we helped Stewards navigate complexity with confidence, providing the reporting, compliance support, and program infrastructure needed to meet state requirements.

This momentum expanded participation across our program, with **31 new Stewards** joining in 2025—further strengthening a growing, nationwide system designed to manage batteries responsibly from end-of-life collection through recycling and processing.

31 New stewards joined in 2025

250+ stewards to date

For a list of organizations and companies recognized as compliant participants in our regulated state and voluntary programs, visit <https://batterynetwork.org/stewards/compliant-stewards/>



Collections

Expanding access. Increasing impact.

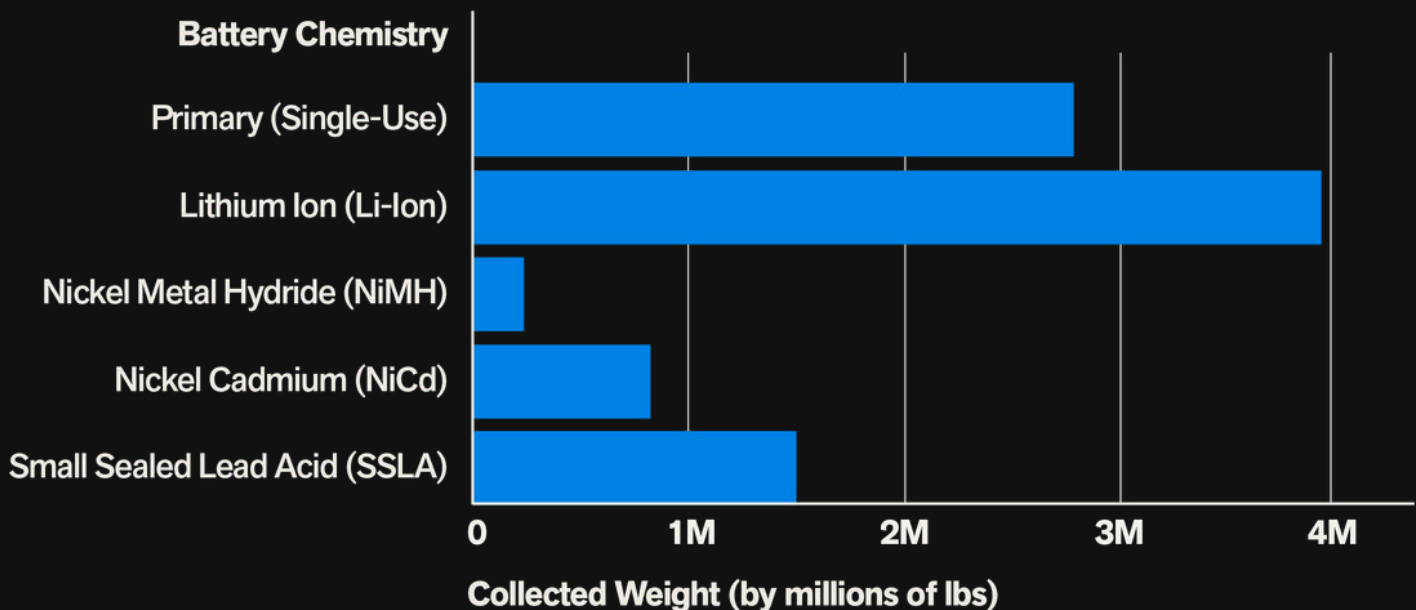


Collections are a vital part of our nationwide network, making battery recycling easy and accessible.

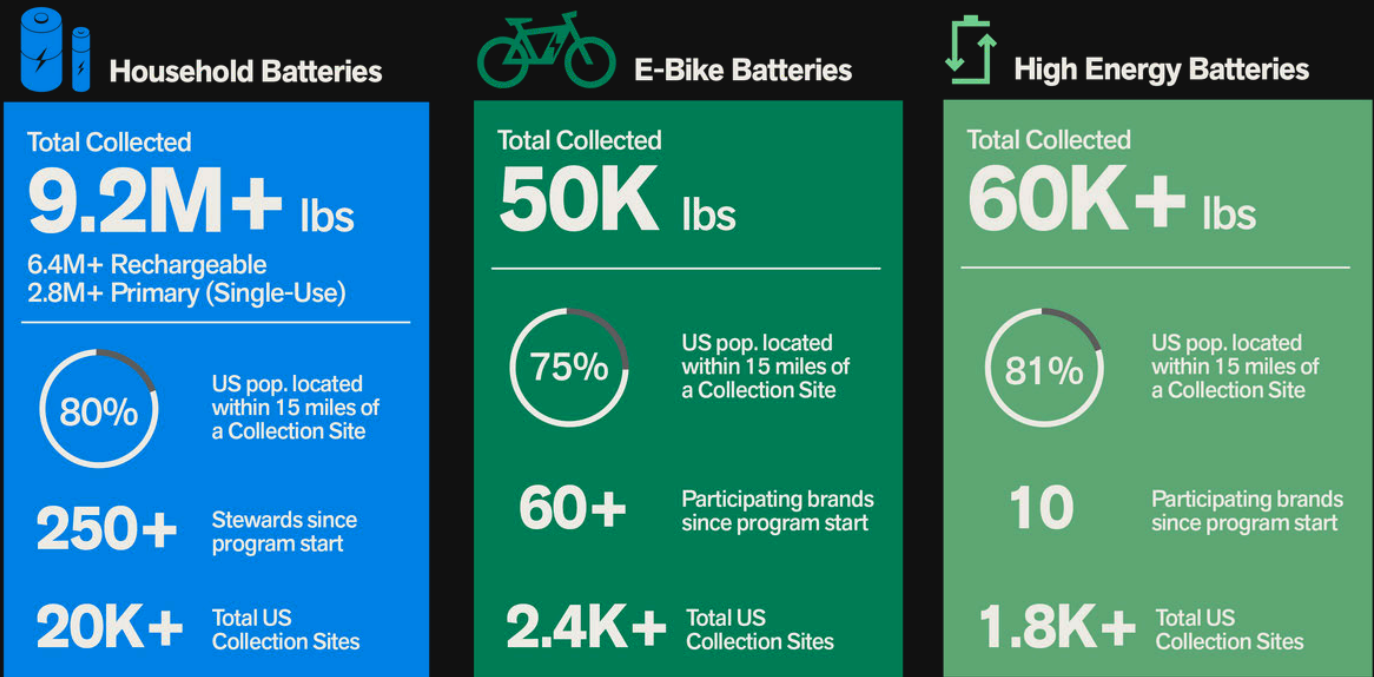
Driven by growing demand, our network expanded with **3,195 new collection sites**, increasing access for communities across the country. To date we have 20,000+ total collection sites.

We continued to scale across multiple channels, including retail drop-off, mail-back services, and customized takeback programs designed for partners with high-volume or specialized battery recycling needs.

2025 Battery Collections by Chemistry



2025 Battery Collections By Program



In 2025, we continued enhancing our Customer Portal to better support collection sites across our growing network. Improvements focused on streamlining access to program information, resources, and self-service tools, helping create a more efficient and user-friendly experience for participants. The improvements also introduced new automation designed to reduce administrative work, increase operational efficiency, and support future growth.

This work laid the foundation for the platform's 2026 relaunch as the Collection Hub, delivering a more streamlined and scalable experience for collection sites.



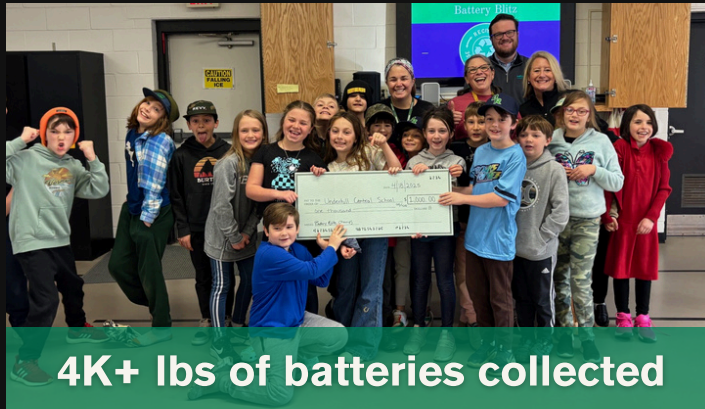
9.3M+ lbs

Total pounds of batteries collected in 2025

Education

Building awareness. Driving safer behavior.

Battery Blitz



Collection Event with Woodsy Owl



Collection Event in Washington, DC

Education plays a critical role in advancing safe battery recycling by increasing public awareness, strengthening partner engagement, and promoting safe handling practices.

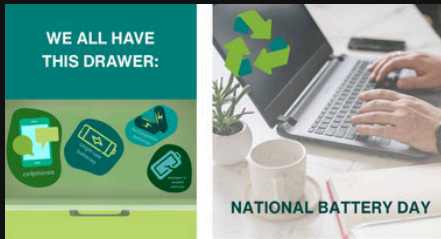
Throughout 2025, our Avoid the Spark campaign continued to highlight the risks of improper battery disposal, helping reduce fire hazards and encourage safer recycling habits.

We expanded that impact through community-based efforts. Initiatives like the Battery Blitz collection contest brought battery safety education directly into schools and local organizations, helping the next generation understand how to handle and recycle batteries responsibly.

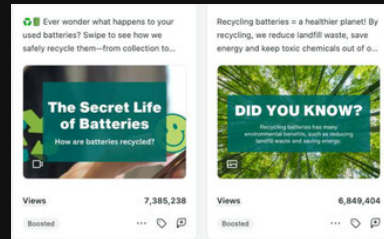
We also hosted our first collection events in partnership with National Waste and Recycling Association (NWRA) and Woodsy Owl, combining hands-on collection with public education and reinforcing the importance of safe battery recycling.

We also broadened our outreach through partnerships and training resources—equipping consumers, businesses, and collection partners with the knowledge they need to manage batteries safely and responsibly.

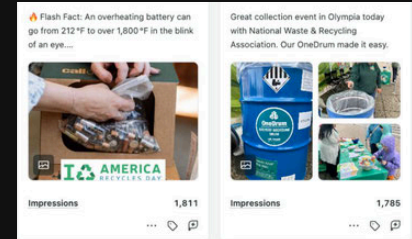
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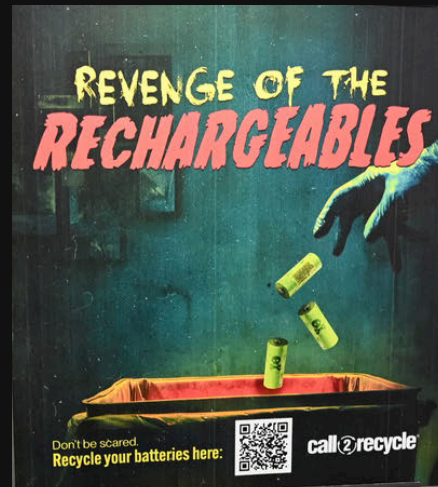
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Linkedin



October Ad Series



Solutions

Built for safety. Designed to scale.

We provide secure, scalable solutions to manage batteries safely across every stage of the lifecycle.

To meet growing demand and evolving program needs, we expanded our capabilities with 38 new initiatives and product enhancements—enabling safer, more efficient battery management across a wider range of use cases.



OneDrum™

OneDrum continued to gain traction as a safer, simplified solution for battery collection and transport, earning Battery Safety Technology of the Year at The Battery Show in 2025.



Safety Solutions

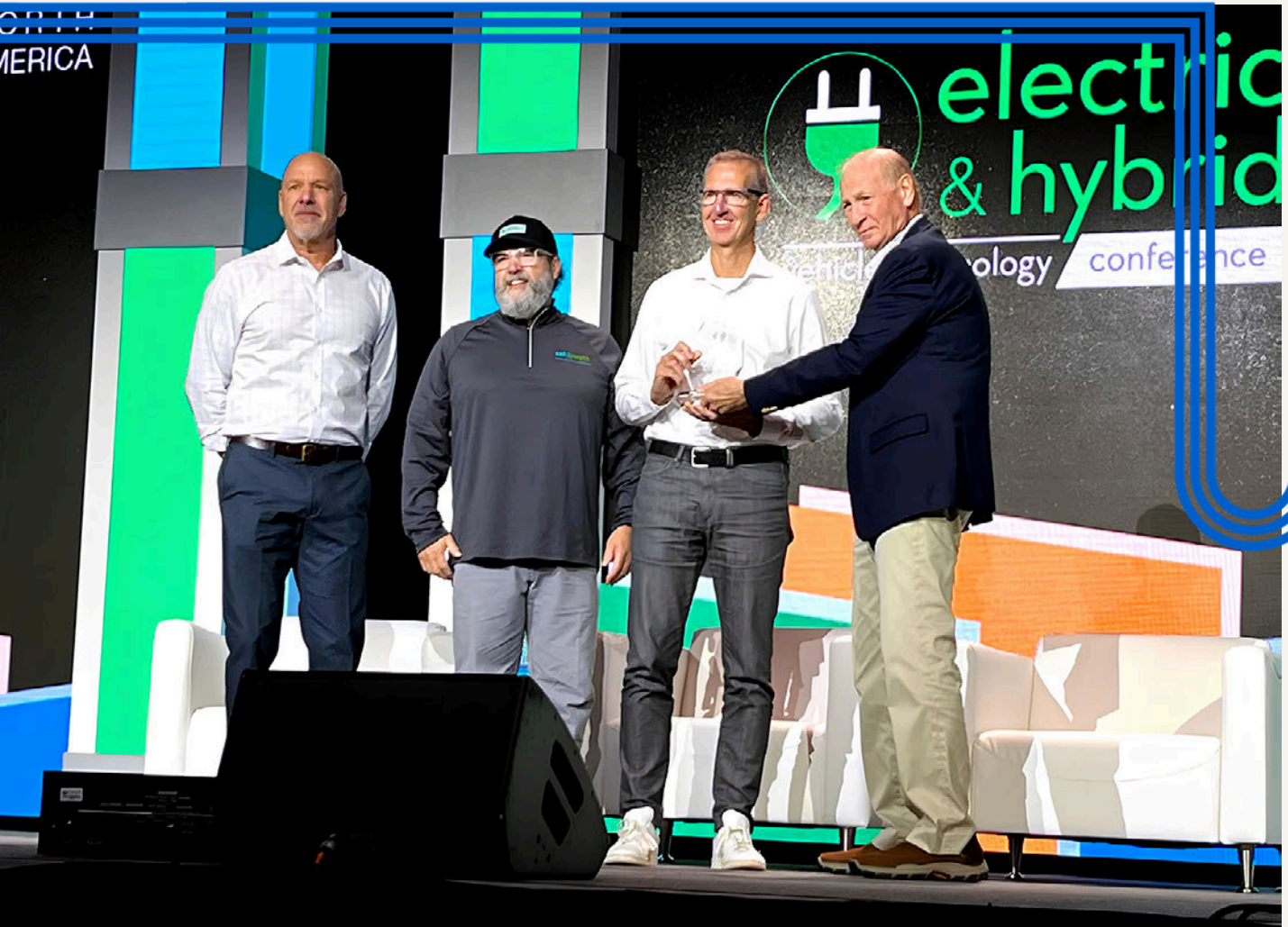
Demand for advanced battery fire suppression tools also grew, with record adoption of Lithium Ion Battery Incident Kits (LIBIK) to help organizations safely respond to overheating and lithium-ion battery fire incidents.



Battery Incident Support Program

In addition, our Battery Incident Support Program expanded significantly, supporting more cleanup and response efforts than in 2024. This growth reflects both increased demand and our ability to respond quickly and effectively when incidents occur.

Together, these solutions help reduce risk and protect people, infrastructure, and communities.



From innovation to impact

OneDrum™ momentum continues in 2025



In 2025, OneDrum™ was named **Battery Safety Technology of the Year** at The Battery Show, recognizing its role in helping address thermal runaway and other safety risks in battery handling and recycling.

This recognition came during a year of continued growth, with OneDrum™ shipments increasing nearly 26% year over year. That growth reflects a clear need across the industry: safer, easier solutions that help organizations manage batteries responsibly.

As adoption grows, OneDrum™ is helping set a new standard for safer battery collection, transport, and efficient recycling.



Innovation

Advancing what comes next.

As battery technology evolves, so do the challenges—and opportunities—of responsible recycling.

That's why we continued to invest in solutions for emerging waste streams, including e-bike, high-energy, and EV batteries throughout 2025.



E-Bike
Battery
Recycling

E-Bike Program

Our e-bike program alone collected 50,000 pounds of batteries, a 14% increase year over year, while expanding to over 2,400 collection sites nationwide.



High Energy
Battery Recycling

High Energy Battery Program

At the same time, our high energy battery program continued to grow with more than 60,000 pounds collected and an expanding network of 1,800+ fully trained collection sites.



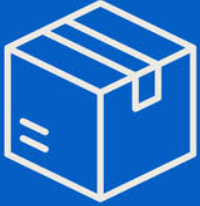
EV
Battery
Services

Electric Vehicle (EV) Program

We also continued to advance our EV battery initiatives, building the partnerships, infrastructure, and expertise needed to support this rapidly growing and complex waste stream.

By expanding our capabilities today, we are helping build a system ready for the batteries of tomorrow.

2025 By The Numbers



3,195

New Collection Sites



42%

Increase in The Battery
Network Locator Use

36,000+ Inquiries Supported

Supporting collection sites and consumers

**667 New Public Drop-Off
Locations**



20

Downstream
Recycling Partners
Across Our Network

7 Sorting Partners

13 Processing Partners

Total Pounds of
Household Batteries Collected

9.2M+ lbs

6.4M+ Rechargeable
2.8M+ Primary (Single-Use)



39%

Increase in Site Traffic



80%

of the US population is
located within 15 miles
of a Collection Site

32%

Increase in Total Users



Yesterday's Batteries. Tomorrow's Power.





Call2Recycle Stewardship, Inc. and Subsidiary Consolidated Statements of Financial Position December 31, 2025 and 2024

Assets

December 31

	2025	2024
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 2,349,988	\$ 1,959,178
Receivables, Net of Allowance for Doubtful Accounts of \$198,824 and \$143,388 at December 31, 2025 and 2024, Respectively	13,097,275	8,010,635
Inventories	3,345,559	3,648,721
Prepaid Expenses and Other Assets	101,812	444,302
Investments	9,827,378	9,650,281
Intangible Software, Net	1,041,394	1,007,432
Total assets	\$ 29,763,406	\$ 24,720,549

Liabilities and Net Assets

Accounts Payable and Accrued Expenses	\$ 4,187,936	\$ 2,862,934
Margin Account	1,941,025	3,290,888
Unearned Revenue	6,528	21,354
Total liabilities	\$ 6,135,489	\$ 6,175,176
Net Assets without Donor Restriction	23,627,917	18,545,373
Total liabilities and net assets	\$ 29,763,406	\$ 24,720,549

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Board of Directors
Call2Recycle Stewardship, Inc.

June 5th, 2026

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, the consolidated statement of financial position of Call2Recycle Stewardship, Inc. and Subsidiary (the "Company") as of December 31, 2025 and 2024, and the related consolidated statements of activities and changes in net assets, functional expenses, and cash flows for the years then ended (not presented herein). In our report dated June 5, 2026, we issued a qualified opinion on the financials due to revenues not being recorded in accordance with FASB ASU 2014-08, Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Topic 606). Except for effects on the 2025 and 2024 consolidated financial statements for the matter discussed in the previous sentence, the financials present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company at December 31, 2025 and 2024 and the results of its operations and cash flows for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In our opinion, the information set forth in the accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the consolidated financial statements from which it has been derived.

Smith and Howard, PC  SMITH+HOWARD PC





Consolidated Statements of Activities and Changes in Net Assets Years Ended December 31, 2025 and 2024

December 31

	2025	2024
Operating Activities:		
Revenues		
Fees	\$ 34,333,921	\$ 27,240,494
Recovered metals revenue	1,183,051	2,917,231
Shared service revenue	1,082,052	725,386
Other revenue	899,208	1,156,444
Total Revenues	37,498,632	32,039,555
Program Expenses:		
Collection and recycling operations services	23,391,222	23,029,283
Public education and promotion services	1,925,907	1,298,866
Steward administration services	1,248,758	1,004,114
Total Program Expenses	26,565,887	25,332,263
Management and General Expenses	6,051,510	4,387,816
Total Expenses	32,617,397	29,720,079
Change in Net Assets		
Before Non-Operating Activities	4,881,235	2,319,476
Non-Operating Activities:		
Loss on contracted inventory	(273,898)	-
Investment income, net	475,207	627,586
Total Non-Operating Income	201,309	627,586
Change in Net Assets without Donor Restriction	5,082,544	2,947,062
Net Assets without Donor Restriction, Beginning of Year	18,545,373	15,598,311
Net Assets without Donor Restriction, End of Year	\$ 23,627,917	\$ 18,545,373



Powering what's next, together.

The impact of battery recycling extends far beyond the pounds collected each year. It is measured in safer communities, recovered resources, and a stronger, more sustainable future.

Thank you to everyone who contributes to this effort. Together, we are making responsible battery management possible.





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