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Canister makes it cool, convenient to recycle

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There's no question more people are jumping on the green bandwagon. But nationwide surveys still show that our efforts aren't even close to getting the eco stamp of approval.

To help with the matter, **Mode Products** has developed the All-In-One Recycling Center that sorts, stores and compacts trash in one simple system.

The device, which is about the same size as a typical kitchen can, offers a 30-liter rear bin and a front compacting station where aluminum cans and plastic bottles up to two liters get crushed by a discreet foot pedal. (No electrical cords!) A nifty mail slot recycles pesky bills and fliers while a 5-gallon pull-out paper bin easily sorts catalogs and magazines.

The system doesn't just provide room to recycle, it promotes it: The front displays a tracking system that logs your history and progress. Although function is primary, Mode made the device easy on the eyes as well with a glossy black-and-stainless steel finish and unobtrusive size. The All-In-One Recycling Center, \$199 to \$299 depending on the size and series, is at Sur la Table, 4527 Travis St. in Dallas, or www.williams-sonoma.com.