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**The national recycling rate has increased every year for the past 30 years. The current recycling rate is 34.5%. JOIN US IN RECYCLING MORE.**

**For America Recycles Day November 15, 2016,**

**I pledge to:**

***LEARN. I will find out what materials are collected for recycling in my community.***

***ACT. Reduce my personal waste by recycling. Within the next month, I will recycle more.***

***SHARE. In the next month, I will encourage one family member or one friend to take the pledge.***

**Sandy Hook Promise Conversations**

**Meaningful conversations – especially with those we know and trust – can break through the feeling of helplessness and hopelessness many people have when it comes to preventing gun violence in their community. The library is hosting a conversation, working to shift this helplessness to inspire hope for a better – and safer – community and country. Lunchtime in the library: Downtown Sept. 12. Hilltop Sept. 14, Civic Center Sept. 15**

**Reading Without Walls by Gene Yang October 1-December 1, 2016**

**This national challenge asks students AND teachers to read a book from one of three specific categories outside of their comfort zone to receive a ‘Reading Without Walls’ certificate. We will pilot this program at Downtown, Civic Center & Hilltop. After students “read without walls” they can reflect & respond with quotes about their experiences.**



[The Reading Without Walls Challenge | Children's Book Council](http://www.cbcbooks.org/reading-without-walls/)

[B](http://www.cbcbooks.org/reading-without-walls/)ook Club: Downtown

Roads to Reading Initative Hilltop