



The Glass Recycling Foundation (GRF) is a 501c3 non-profit organization that raises and distributes funds via grants to eligible entities and projects that seek to increase glass recovery and improve the supply of cullet used for recycled glass applications.

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THE CHALLENGE



Only 1/3 of glass is currently recovered for recycling.



9.2 million tons needlessly goes to landfills

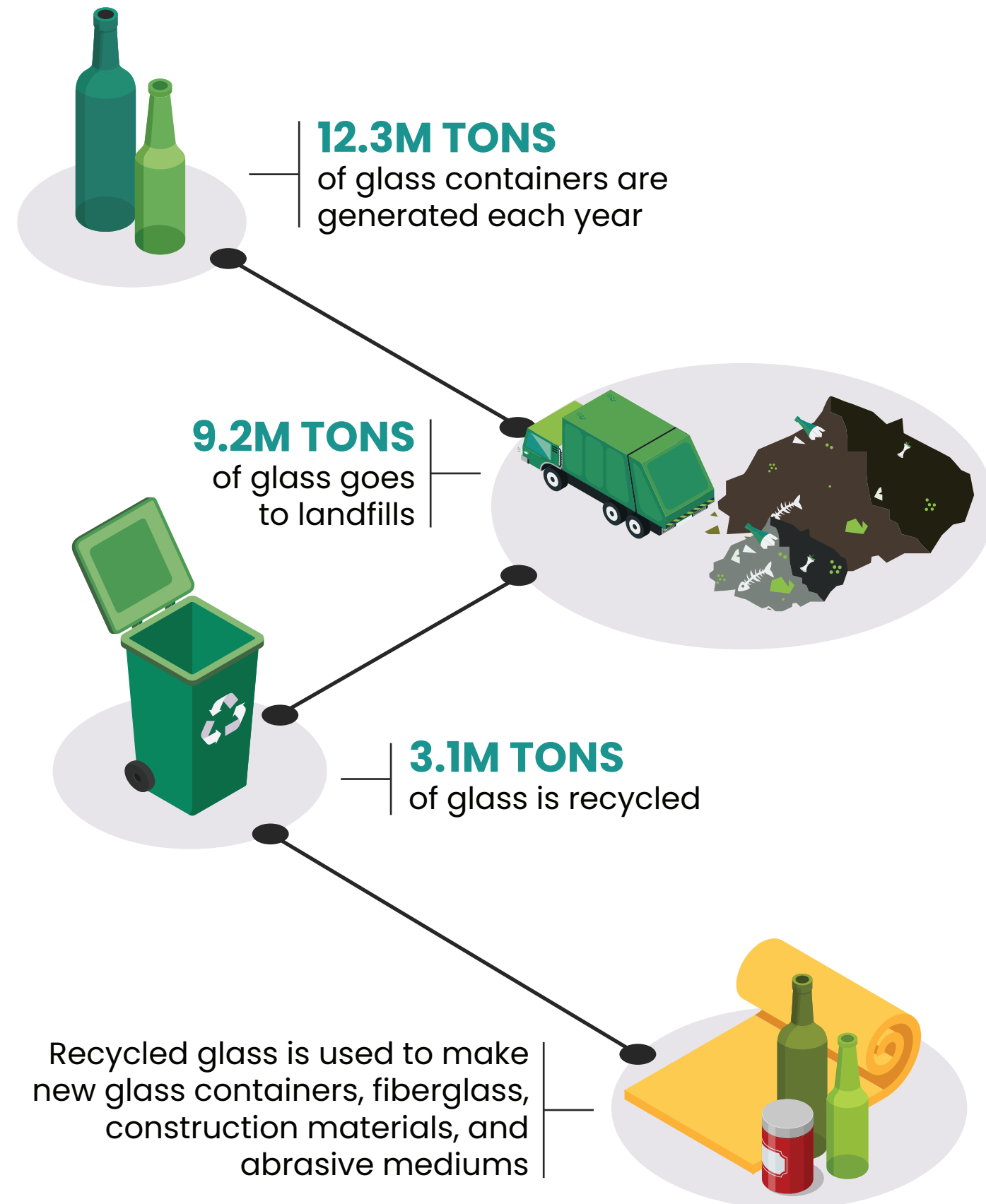


Local government barriers/ economic conditions limit investment and innovation



Collection and sorting systems require continued innovation and capital investment.

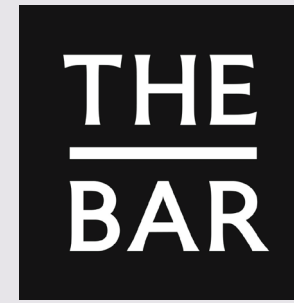
GLASS RECYCLING IN THE US



2023 SUCSESSES



New board member:
Brian Ammon,
Beam Suntory, Inc.



New Partnership:

Diageo's online shopping platform, The Bar, provides support for three nonprofits each year. As one of the chosen nonprofits for 2023, GRF receives 5% of the qualifying price of products sold.

Over \$152K
awarded in
2023 for 11
projects

3.3 million
pounds of glass
or more than
7.5 million glass
bottles diverted
from 2023
projects

2023 HIGHLIGHTS

- Fairfax, VA:** The City of Fairfax, VA received a \$6,000 grant from the GRF in early 2023 to help increase awareness and participation in its Purple Can Club, a glass-only drop off recycling program created in response to communities removing glass from single stream collection. The grant funds were used to purchase 3,000 reusable tote bags that were given to residents, alongside educational material, to make collecting and transporting glass to the drop off stations easier.
- Justice Industries:** Justice Industries, a 501c3 nonprofit based in Brentwood, TN, work towards its mission of creating jobs for people with barriers to employment. It runs Just.Glass, a program that provides commercial glass recycling solutions for bars, restaurants, and hotels in Nashville. In 2023, they received a \$6,000 grant from the GRF to grow their Just.Glass program by purchasing more recycling carts and doing increased outreach to work with new customers.
- Bottle Underground:** Bottle Underground is a 501c3 nonprofit based in Philadelphia, PA that collects glass bottles and jars from local businesses and community members and sorts the glass for upcycling, reuse, or recycling. Bottle Underground's work not only saves glass from landfills, but it also supports workforce development and community engagement. In 2023, Bottle Underground received an \$18,000 grant from the GRF to build out its glass recycling infrastructure and create efficiencies to process glass more quickly.



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