

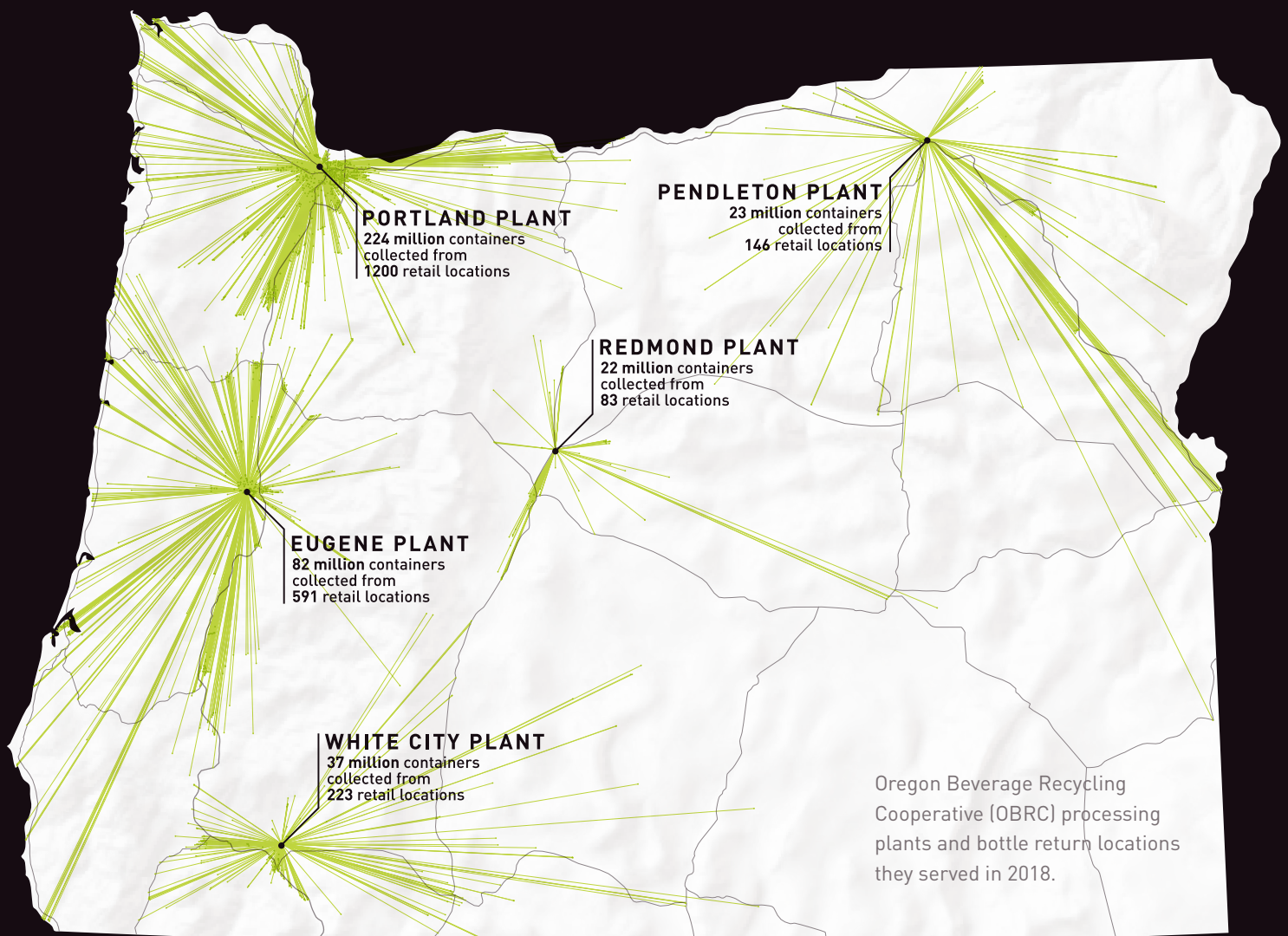
Oregon Beverage Recycling Cooperative

2018 Annual Report

The **Oregon Beverage Recycling Cooperative (OBRC)** is the industry steward of Oregon's nationally recognized beverage container deposit program. We help keep Oregon beautiful by recovering, reusing, and recycling beverage containers while providing excellent service and value to distributors, retailers, and the general public.

OBRC is proud to report that 2018 was one of the best years in the history of Oregon's beverage container deposit and return program. The preparations and investments that we made in 2017 helped us accommodate nearly 30% growth in the volume of containers recycled in 2018.

At a time when global recycling markets are in crisis and municipal recycling programs are reducing service, OBRC continues to expand services at no cost to taxpayers. Our efficient, transparent, and vertically integrated recycling process provides a source of high-quality recycled materials to the United States market, and helps keep Oregon's pristine landscape clean.



PUBLIC SERVICE, NO PUBLIC FUNDING

181 million
pounds
material collected

2,550
locations served

500
employees

165
distributors

\$0 tax dollars used

2018 ANNUAL BUDGET: \$43 MILLION^{1,2}

BottleDrop Centers & Green Bag Program

36%

BottleDrop Refill Program

3%

BottleDrop Express & Transportation

2%

Material Processing at Statewide Plants

20%

Administration & Compliance

12%

Retailer Services & Transportation

25%

Stewardship Initiatives

2%

REFILL HIGHLIGHTS



245,380
refillable
bottles in
circulation

4

producers
bottled in
refillables
in 2018



184,800



2,160



720

57,700



2018 REDEMPTION RATE (EST. ANNUAL AVG.)

85%



Return
Rate

\$29 million
Estimated value of
2018 unredeemed
deposits

MORE RETURNS THROUGH BOTTLEDROP

75% -

50% -

25% -

0 -

2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018

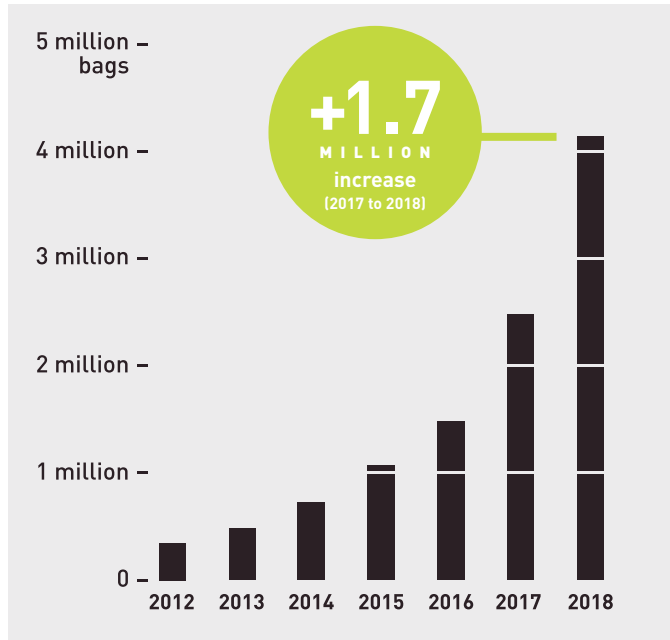
61%

**PERCENTAGE OF ALL CONTAINERS
RETURNED USING BOTTLEDROP**

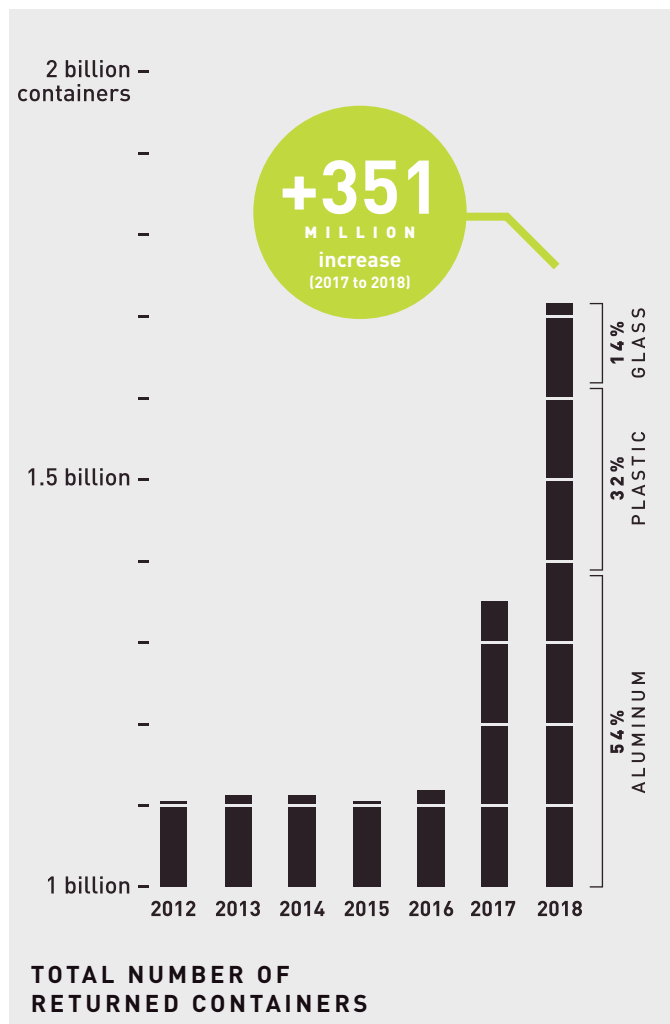
¹ Budget information and data reviewed by the Oregon Liquor Control Commission (OLCC).

² Budget and redemption data for 2018 in this report is preliminary. OBRC is committed to accurate and transparent accounting, and files an official report to the OLCC as required by Oregon's bottle bill, in June of each calendar year. OBRC does not include the value of scrap material sold in its operating budget.

GREEN BAG PROGRAM: RAPID GROWTH



RETURNED CONTAINERS INCREASE



2018 ROUNDUP

3 new redemption centers completed

11 new express locations
45 TOTAL LOCATIONS

98,439 new account holders
300,000 TOTAL ACCOUNT HOLDERS

BottleDrop Refill launched

3 BREWERIES & 1 CIDERY USED REFILLABLE BOTTLES

25.5 million pounds of plastic recycled
ORPET PARTNER PLASTIC FACILITY

BottleDrop Fund launched

GRANT REVIEW IN PROCESS
FIRST GRANTS TO BE AWARDED IN 2019

BOTTLEDROP GIVE EXPANDS

“Working with BottleDrop Give has been an absolute treat. SnowCap relies on the generosity of the community and all the money that is raised ensures that we can keep our shopping-style food pantry stocked with nutritious food for families and individuals in East Multnomah County that need a little extra help.”

Nate Larson

Volunteer Coordinator at SnowCap
Community Charities

BOTTLEDROP GIVE FUNDRAISING TOTALS

1,242 total non-profit fundraisers
665 NEW FUNDRAISERS IN 2018

\$1 million
total raised for Oregon non-profits
\$766,076 RAISED FOR NON-PROFITS IN 2018



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2019 Goals



Open 20 new BottleDrop Express locations.
Sign up another 100,000 Green bag accounts
(400,000 total).



Award the first BottleDrop Fund grants
and begin a regular grant making cycle.



Raise \$1 million for Oregon nonprofits.
Reach 2,000 total fundraisers.



Enroll more breweries and beverage makers in the
program and reach 1 million bottles in circulation.
Distribute washed bottles, for a second use, for the first
time.

Reach a total of 20 producers in refillables in 2019,
including cider and wine.

Expand the network of refillable return points by
growing the BottleBox program.