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Hours of Operation

Transfer Station
Monday - Saturday, 8:00 am to 4:00 pm

Recycling
Monday - Friday, 8:00 am to 4:00 pm

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Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event Scheduled for April 28-29

The Centre County Recycling & Refuse Authority will be holding a two-day special event to collect Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) from Centre County residents. Just bring your HHW to our facility on April 28-29, and we'll take it off your hands free of charge.

Household Hazardous Waste is defined as any material containing ingredients that are corrosive, toxic, ignitable or reactive. Products such as oil-based paints, insecticides, chemicals, cleaners and flammables contain potentially hazardous ingredients and require special care when you dispose of them.

Improper disposal of household hazardous waste can include pouring them down the drain, on the ground, into storm drains, or in some cases putting them out with the trash. The dangers of such disposal methods might not be immediately obvious, but improper disposal of these wastes can pollute the environment and pose a threat to human health.

Although we will collect most materials, there is a list of items that we cannot take. Some items we are unable to take include: latex paint, antifreeze, used motor oil, medications and alkaline batteries. Please call our office if you have a question regarding certain items.

HHW Event

Centre County RRA
253 Transfer Road
Bellefonte, PA 16823

Friday, April 28
10:00 am - 6:00 pm

Saturday, April 29
8:00 am - 2:00 pm

Acceptable HHW Materials:

cleaners
oil-based paints
insecticides
weed killers
pool chemicals
CFL bulbs
fluorescent tubes
and more!

DO NOT Bring:

NO latex paint
NO antifreeze
NO used motor oil
NO alkaline batteries
NO medications

Call our office for
alternative disposal
options.

For additional information on the event, for directions to our facility, or to inquire which materials will (or will not) be collected, visit our website at www.centrecountyrecycles.org. You may also contact the Authority at (814) 238-7005, (800) 605-6649 or by e-mail at ccrra@centrecountyrecycles.org. *Continued on page 3.*

CCRRA, in partnership with Weis Markets, will be holding a food drive (in conjunction with HHW) to benefit the Central Pennsylvania Food Bank. Visit www.centralpafoodbank.org for a list of needed items. The first 1,000 cars to bring a non-perishable food item to our event will receive a free reusable Earth Day tote designed by two local 5th grade students.

Centre County **RECYCLES**

Recycling Reminders from the Authority

Did you know that Pennsylvania's recycling law (Act 101) was passed way back in 1988? And did you know that many of us working at the Centre County Recycling & Refuse Authority have been in the recycling field for a very long time? Since we live and breathe recycling, we tend to forget that everyone else does not. We thought this would be a good time to go over some recycling reminders.

Do Not Leave Items Outside of Recycling Drop Off Containers

This has been happening a lot lately. A resident will go to recycle items at one of our many recycling drop off containers and leave items sit outside of the bin. Admittedly, sometimes the bins are full (we have such great recyclers here!) but sometimes they are not and items are still left on the ground. This causes others to do the same thing until there is a pile up of items surrounding the container. We really do try our best keep our containers empty so this won't continue to happen.

Fluorescent Tubes from Households can be Recycled in April

"Households" is the key word here. We do accept long, fluorescent tubes for free (for recycling) every year during our annual Household Hazardous Waste Collection event. This year's event will be held on Friday and Saturday April 28-29. Additional information about this event can be found on the front page of this newsletter, on our website www.centrecountyrecycles.org or on our Facebook page. We cannot accept fluorescent tubes from businesses at our event so other alternatives should be explored.

Paper Should be Bagged or Bundled Curbside

We really do try to make recycling easy, but sometimes it doesn't seem so. Plastic bottles, jugs & jars, metal cans and glass bottles can all be placed in curbside recycling bins with no sorting whatsoever. Paper, however, is a different story. All mixed paper, newspaper, paperboard, office paper, magazines, etc., should be bagged or bundled together and placed in your curbside recycling bin. Bagging/bundling paper prevents litter and makes it easy on collection staff. Corrugated cardboard should be flattened and placed next to or under your recycling bin.

To Ensure Collection, Make Sure Your Recycling Bin is out by 7:00 am

Our crew starts each day at 7:00 am sharp, and if your house is the first house on route, it will be picked up at 7:00 am. If your recycling bin is set out by 7:00 am, it will be collected.

Recycling Information is Plentiful and Available

If you are not sure about which items are recyclable in our program, we are here to help. Our job is to help. We have flyers for residents and businesses; just ask. We have a website full of information as well as Facebook and Twitter pages (follow us!). We also send out monthly emails with recycling information. You can be added to the list by sending an email to aschirf@centrecountyrecycles.org. In addition, any recycling questions can also be sent to Amy Schirf, our Education Coordinator at that e-mail above or you can always call our office with any questions at 814-238-7005.

As always, the staff at CCRRA thanks you for recycling!



Calendar of Events/Holiday Collection Schedules

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A few of the local radio stations will be broadcasting live from our facility during the event so you may also have a chance to win a t-shirt or a CD, while doing right by our environment.

While you're here, why not multi-task? We will have a location to collect old electronics for recycling and you can bring your miscellaneous plastics to recycle them at our drop-off location (miscellaneous plastic recycling container located outside of Gate 3) and pick up your bagged compost for \$6.00/bag.

2017 Centre County Recycling & Refuse Authority Upcoming Board Meetings

Meetings begin at 5:30 pm unless otherwise publicized.

Meetings are held at the CCRRA Office, 253 Transfer Road, Bellefonte.

- March 22
- April 26
- May 24
- June 28



CCRRA's Holiday Schedule (May - July 2017)

The Centre County Recycling & Refuse Authority will be **closed** on **Monday, May 29**, and **Tuesday, July 4**.

State College Borough Holiday Collection Schedule

Holiday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Memorial Day Week of May 29	NO Bulk/Brush Collection	Regular Collection	Regular Collection	Regular Collection
Independence Day Week of July 3	Bulk/Brush Collection	One Day Delay	One Day Delay	One Day Delay

Bellefonte Borough Holiday Collection Schedule

Holiday	Normal Date for Recycling Collection	Alternate Date for Recycling Collection
Memorial Day	Monday, May 29	Wednesday, May 31
Independence Day	Tuesday, July 4	Wednesday, July 5

Centre Region COG Holiday Collection Schedule

For residents living in Benner, College, Ferguson, Harris & Patton Townships.

Memorial Day: Recycling collection will be delayed one day from Monday on, for the rest of the week (recycling normally collected on Monday will be collected on Tuesday, and so on through the week).

Independence Day: Recycling collection will be delayed one day from Tuesday on, for the rest of the week (recycling normally collected on Tuesday will be collected on Wednesday, and so on through the week).

Spring Bulk Collection Dates: May 15-19; www.crcog.net

**For all other municipalities, please contact your trash hauler for a list of possible holiday delays.*



April 21-23
Art Alliance of Central PA
Recycled Art Show
www.artalliancepa.org

Upcoming Spring Events

April 22
Clearwater Conservancy
Watershed Cleanup Day
www.clearwaterconservancy.org

April 28-29
CCRRA
HHW Collection Event
www.centrecountyrecycles.org



GUIDE TO CURBSIDE RECYCLING



STEEL & ALUMINUM - CANS & FOIL

Rinse and remove food residue. Labels acceptable.



CORRUGATED CARDBOARD

Break down all cardboard boxes. Place beside bin.



PLASTIC - BOTTLES, JUGS & JARS

Rinse containers. Lids and labels acceptable.



MIXED PAPER, PAPERBOARD & MAGAZINES

Bag / bundle all paper. Bag shredded paper.



GLASS - BOTTLES & JARS

Rinse containers. Lids and labels acceptable.



NEWSPAPER

Bag / bundle separately.



NOT IN YOUR RED BIN

- Batteries
- Styrofoam™
- Paper Plates/Cups
- Glassware/Ceramics
- Miscellaneous Plastics



WHEN IN DOUBT,
CHECK IT OUT



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Clip and post on your refrigerator!

Did You Know?

You can now buy State College Borough Compost at CCRRA. The cost is \$6.00 per 40 lb bag. Just ask our Scale Operator for details and we will even load the bags in your vehicle. All proceeds benefit the Authority's Education Endowment Fund.



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