



Recycling Authority September 2020

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Keep It Loose!

Did you know almost half of the contamination that comes through RRRASOC's sorting facility is bagged recycling?

Bagged recyclables often get thrown away because the highly automated sorting process cannot tear open the bag to access the materials.

That's not the only issue that arises when it comes to plastic bags. Have you ever heard of the term "tangles"? Tangles are items that wrap around the machines that sort the materials. Other tangles include wire hangers, ropes and chains, cords and wires, plastic wrap, clothing, and hoses.

The only way to remove these tangles is to shut down the entire sorting process and manually cut the tangles from the machine. As you can imagine, this causes production downtime, increased operational expenses, equipment failure and worker safety concerns.

Help us keep bagged recyclables and tangles out of the recycling process. Always keep recyclables loose and always follow the recycling guidelines!



Do NOT Bag Your Recyclables

Companies are now producing "recycling" bags as another way to get your money. Don't get pulled in by their green-washing. Plastic bags of any type are **not accepted** in your cart/bin.



Target Car Seat Recycling Program

Target's annual car seat trade-in event is going on now through September 26th. Recycle your old car seat in store and receive a 20% discount on the purchase of a new car seat, stroller or other select baby gear. Learn how to recycle your car seat [here](#).

Since starting their car seat trade-in event in April 2016, Target has been able to recycle 14.4 million pounds of car seats. Materials from those car seats are recycled through Waste Management into new

products like pallets, plastic buckets and construction materials like steel beams and carpet padding.



HHW Numbers, Great Work!

Thank you to everyone who has continued to properly dispose of their household hazardous waste throughout this pandemic.

Residents have recycled a total of 256,005 pounds of HHW materials through drop-offs at ERG's Livonia facility and RRRSOC events.



DROP-OFFS TO ERG LIVONIA

Month	# of Drop-offs	Total Lbs.
January	61	5,834
February	43	3,697
March	52	5,649
April	53	4,883
May	116	11,726
June	285	28,761
July	260	27,569
Year-To-Date	870	88,119

RRRASOC HHW EVENTS

Event Date	Attendees	Total Lbs.
July 18 th	1,073	77,138
August 19 th	1,095	77,248
September 2 nd	193	13,500
Year-To-Date	2,361	167,886

Upcoming Events

All events are subject to change as the COVID-19 pandemic continues to unfold. We intend to hold all currently scheduled events as planned.

Acceptable items may vary from one event to the next. Check in at RRRASOC.org for the latest updates on upcoming events.

While attending an event please remember to remain in your vehicle at all times to comply with safety and health protocols.



October 3, 2020 – Novi HHW Event

9:00 am – 2:00 pm
Novi DPW Garage
26300 Lee BeGole Drive, Novi

- HHW drop-off and document shredding ONLY.

October 24, 2020 – Southfield HHW Event

9:00 am – 2:00 pm
RRRASOC MRF (Truck Entrance)
20875 Mapleridge Avenue, Southfield

- HHW drop-off, document shredding, & Simple Recycling available at this event.

November 11, 2020 – Milford

HHW Event

2:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Milford Department of Public Works

1100 Atlantic St., Milford

- HHW drop-off ONLY.

RRRASOC Recycling Directory

Not sure what to do with stuff?

Visit rrrasoc.org and use the Recycling Directory search bar to type in keywords and get recycling, composting, reuse or disposal instructions.

The searchable, intuitive format of the Recycling Directory provides RRRASOC specific information.

Also Available:

- Mobile App
 - From your App Store or Google Play, search for "Recycling Authority"
- Alexa Enabled Device
 - Simply say, "Alexa, enable Recycling Directory."

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STUFF?

COMPOST? RECYCLE? DONATE? TRASH?

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