



# Recycling Authority June 2023

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## It's Waste & Recycling Workers Week!

The collection of your trash, recycling, and yard waste is essential to the cleanliness and health of our communities. With that being said, curbside collection crews, landfill & MRF workers, and even those working behind the scenes all play an important part in this process. This week, show your appreciation for our Waste & Recycling workers with a simple gesture such as waving to say hello, leaving a thank-you note taped to your curbside cart, or even improving your recycling habits to make their job a little easier!



**WASTE & RECYCLING  
WORKERS WEEK**



### How to Improve Your Recycling Habits with RRRASOC

Visit our [Curbside Recycling](#) or [Drop-Off Guidelines](#) pages to see what is and is not accepted for recycling in your community.

The [RRRASOC Recycling Guidelines](#) flyer also serves as a visual guide and gives information on how to properly prepare your recyclables for disposal.

For answers to frequently asked questions such as pick-up dates, cart replacement, and holiday delays, visit our [FAQ](#) page.

### Waste & Recycling Workers Coloring Pages

Appreciating all that our public workers do starts at a young age. [Click here](#) to download a set of free coloring pages so the kids can show their appreciation too!



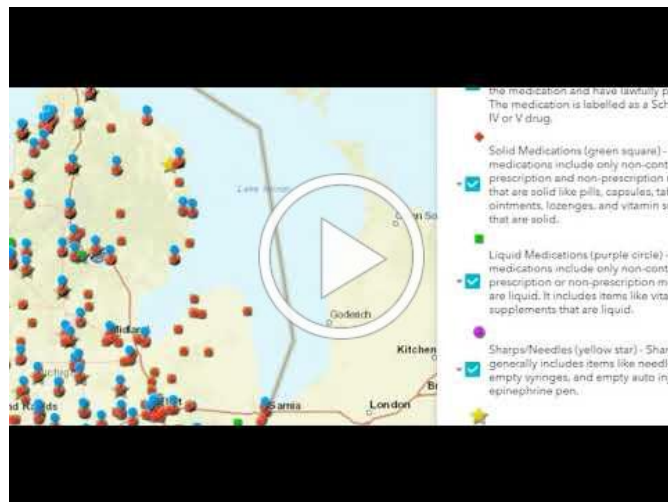
### Drug Disposal: Where Does It Go?

Disposing of expired, unused, or unwanted drugs correctly can do more than just protect the environment - it could save a life! With drug overdose being the leading cause of accidental death in the U.S., it's more

important now than ever to safely store and dispose of any leftover drugs. There are many resources and depots available, including **HHW Collection Events**, your local pharmacy, and drug disposal events and sites to make the process simple and convenient.



Free online resources are also useful when looking for disposal events and sites in your local area. The **EGLE Household Drug Take Back Map** shows sites all over Michigan accepting controlled substances, solid and liquid medications, and sharps/needles for disposal. Watch the video below to learn more!



## Storing Drugs Before Disposal

Be sure to keep drugs in the container in which you received them to allow for easier organization. Lock the container in a cool, dry place out of reach of children and pets.



*Drug information courtesy of EGLE, MHA Keystone Center, and the Michigan Pharmacists Association.*

## Last Resort: Drug Disposal Recipe

If you cannot reach a drug take-back site, you can dispose of drugs at home using the following method. **PLEASE NOTE:** *This should only be used as a last resort!*

Begin by mixing the drugs (do not crush) with dirt, kitty litter or used coffee grounds. Add a small amount of water to dissolve any solid medications. Seal the drugs in a plastic bag, which can then be placed in the trash. Your prescription container can be recycled.

## Have You Shared Our E-Newsletter?



We appreciate each and every one of you who has signed up to receive our monthly e-newsletters! We're happy to share in-depth information regarding HHW Collection Events, curbside and Drop-Off site recycling, sustainable holidays, and more. We share links to websites, our partners, and flyers to make sure you are aware of all the convenient resources available to help you become a recycling genius. Oftentimes, you may come to realize that some of these depots are just a few blocks away!

While our resources are free, we always appreciate those who spread the word about what we're working towards and the services we offer. One way you can do your part is by sharing our newsletter with friends, family, and colleagues within our 9 member communities: Southfield, Farmington, Farmington Hills, Milford, Milford Township, Novi, South Lyon, Walled Lake, and Wixom. When they sign up for our newsletter, they're receiving more than just recycling tips - they're joining a community of avid recyclers, those who want to see our communities clean and thriving, and even those who just want to make a meaningful difference at home!

Click the button below to access our monthly e-newsletter sign-up page. Share the link with those who would be interested in joining! Our e-newsletter sign-up page can also be found in the top-right corner of [RRRASOC.org](http://RRRASOC.org).

**RRRASOC E-Newsletter  
Sign-Up Page**

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## 2023 HHW Collection Event Dates

During the following HHW Collection Events, all residents of RRRASOC member communities are welcome to bring household hazardous waste for an opportunity to safely discard their hazardous items and e-waste. *Simple Recycling* and paper shredding services will also be available.

### July 15th, 2023

Wixom Dept. of Public Works  
2041 Charms Rd., Wixom  
9:00am - 2:00pm

### October 7th, 2023

Novi Dept. of Public Works  
26300 Lee BeGole Dr., Novi  
9:00am - 2:00pm

### October 28th, 2023

RRRASOC MRF - Truck Entrance  
20875 Mapleridge Ave., Southfield  
9:00am - 2:00pm

**\*The T-shirt icon indicates an HHW Collection Event during which clothing, shoes, accessories, and small household items will be accepted by *Simple Recycling*.**

For more information about HHW events and how to prepare your items, please visit our [HHW page](#).

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## HHW Drop-Off at ERG Environmental Services

If you have HHW that you'd like to properly dispose of between collection events, you're in luck! Drop off your HHW without a fee at ERG Environmental Services during the following hours:

**Monday - Friday:**  
9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

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HHW pickup from your home is also available for a fee of \$135 per stop plus \$0.75 per pound of material collected. This

fee is paid directly by the resident to ERG Environmental Services.

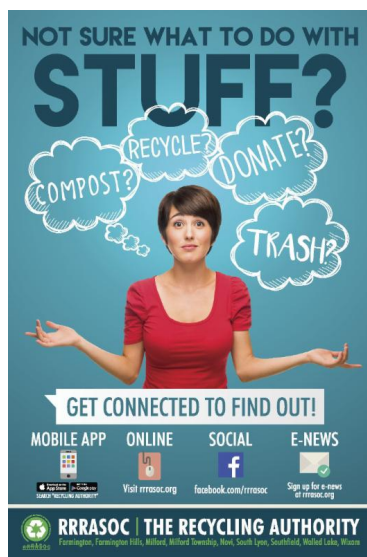
To confirm drop-off times and/or to schedule a pickup, please contact:

ERG Environmental Services  
13040 Merriman Road, Livonia  
(734) 437-9650



For more info, visit the [ERG HHW Drop-Off page](#) or our [HHW page](#).

## RRRASOC Recycling Directory



Not sure what to do with stuff?

Visit [rrrasoc.org](http://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"

Want more tips, tricks, and updates about recycling? We have a Facebook page where we can reach each other to make recycling easier. You can also reach us via [RRRASOC.org](http://RRRASOC.org) and email at [education@rrrasoc.org](mailto:education@rrrasoc.org)!



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