

# Recycling Authority September 2023

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# **Recycling Tips for Multifamily Residences**

If you live in an apartment complex, condominium, duplex, or other multifamily living residence within a RRRASOC member community, there are a number of services available to help you properly manage your recyclables and other hard to recycle items. These services include free recycling drop-off sites, Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collection Events, battery recycling locations, and much more. RRRASOC works to provide all of our member communities with outlets to dispose responsibly and live sustainably!





### **Recycling Drop-Off Sites**

RRRASOC provides 2 drop-off sites for standard recyclable items like cardboard, paper, milk and juice cartons, paper cups, plastic bottles and jugs, metal cans, and glass bottles and jars. The drop-off sites are free and open to the public during daylight hours, 7 days a week - including holidays. For more information regarding the Novi and Southfield drop-off sites, click here.

### **HHW Collection Events**

If you've been receiving our monthly e-newsletters for a while, you probably already know how much we love to encourage RRRASOC residents to attend an HHW Collection Event! Not only are they free, but they're an excellent way to responsibly dispose of your household cleaners, paints, herbicides, insecticides, and solvents. These are harmful to the environment if thrown into a regular landfill, or worse - dumped down a drain or poured on the ground.



HHW Collection Events offered in RRRASOC communities also accept e-waste, batteries, medications, fluorescent bulbs, and more. For a full list of what is accepted, click **here**.

#### View the HHW Collection Event Schedule here!



### **Simple Recycling**

Let your clothes be loved again! **Simple Recycling** is also available at most HHW Collection Events, where residents can recycle unwanted clothing, shoes, accessories and other household items such as kitchenware, tools, toys, and books. Simple Recycling partners with local charities to make sure your gently used items stay within your community to be reused.

### **Paper Shredding**

Paper shredding is also available on-site at HHW Collection Events. Loose paper documents are fed to an industrial-sized shredder to ensure your personal documents remain confidential. Paper shredding is also available year-round at the same location as the Southfield recycling drop-off site. Visit our **Paper Shredding page** to learn more!



These multifamily resources are available all in one place on the RRRASOC website. Check them out here!

### **National Cleanup Day**



### Saturday, September 16

Every year, approximately 8 million tons of plastic finds its way into our oceans. This day marks the world's largest one-day civic action, with millions of volunteers standing up against global pollution and cleaning up waste in their local communities! This year's theme is *"Good, Clean, Fun"* which means creating your own or joining someone else's cleanup efforts doesn't have to be a chore.

Whether you want to organize your own cleanup on this day or join one nearby, you can find all the information you need at **NationalCleanupDay.org**. Help implement lasting changes to end the global waste issue once and for all!

## Try the Waste Sorting Game in the Classroom

Are you looking to integrate some local resources and interactive tools into your class curriculum? Look no further than the Waste Sorting Game found at **RRRASOC.org**! On our homepage, you'll find this *free* game as part of the Recycling Directory, where it promotes active learning and good recycling habits to kids (and those who are kids at heart) of all ages.

Not a teacher? No worries! The Waste Sorting Game is also an excellent extension of at-home learning and supplemental activities. By sorting the items into the correct categories, users are able to create their own park and even print out a certificate of completion.



See if the Waste Sorting Game is the right fit for your students by trying it out here!

## **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.

October 7, 2023 Novi Dept. of Public Works 26300 Lee BeGole Dr., Novi 9:00am - 2:00pm

#### October 28, 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**.

## **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

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** 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 **<u>RRRASOC.org</u>** and email at <u>education@rrrasoc.org</u>!



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