



Recycling Authority March 2024

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HHW Collection Events Return in April!

The first day of spring is March 19 - just a little over a week away! Get ready for warmer weather, budding trees, and blooming perennials. Spring also brings another exciting occurrence - the start of this year's HHW Collection Events! At these special events, residents of Farmington, Farmington Hills, Village of Milford, Milford Township, Novi, Southfield, South Lyon, Walled Lake, and Wixom have an opportunity to safely discard their hazardous items, e-waste, sensitive documents for shredding, batteries, and even clothing for donation.



The first HHW Collection Event of 2024 takes place at the Wixom Department of Public Works on Saturday, April 13.

Refresh your knowledge on the list of acceptable items below! You can also find a complete list of items on our [Acceptable Materials](#) page.



Kitchen & Bathroom

- Medications
- Bleach, Cleaners & Solvents
- Mercury Thermometers
- Aerosol Cans

Garage

- Used Oil
- Brake & Transmission Fluids
- Car & Marine Batteries
- Antifreeze



Workshop

- CFL Bulbs
- Oil-Based Paints & Primers
- Paint Thinner
- Glue

Electronic Waste (E-Waste)

- Computers & Monitors
- Televisions
- Keyboards, Radios, Phones, Etc.
- Corded Electronics



Garden

Pesticides
Herbicides
Fertilizers

Miscellaneous

Alkaline, Rechargeable & Button Batteries
Propane Tanks
Pool Chemicals

For item preparation guidelines, additional event dates, and more, be sure to check our [main HHW page](#).



Disposing of Yard Waste in the Off Season

We've had a few warm days these past couple of weeks, which means many of you may have started cleaning up your gardens and picking up brush. You've filled your paper yard waste bags, but curbside collection doesn't start until next month... Now what?

Yard waste can be composted in your own backyard! Composting captures nutrients from decomposed leaves, grass, and other vegetative waste, and the resulting compost is a nutrient-rich soil amendment that will enhance your soil, yard, and garden come spring. Learn more about the benefits of at-home composting on our [Composting page](#), as well as how to get started. Always check with your local DPW first to determine if your city has any regulations on composting!



Another way to dispose of your yard waste in the off season is by taking it to a composting facility such as [Spurt Industries](#) in Wixom. At a composting facility, your yard waste decomposes and becomes a rich, black humus that is used in gardens and landscaping projects all while being kept out of the landfill. Check locally to find a composting facility that accepts yard waste near you!



March 18 - Global Recycling Day

On **Global Recycling Day**, take a moment to consider the items you throw away on a daily basis - are they truly waste, or can they be recycled? Knowing what is and is not accepted in your local recycling program gives you the opportunity to conserve resources and help foster a circular economy. As consumers, you have the power to make a lasting change by taking direct action - that is, recycling right and making sustainable choices every day!



Ask yourself the following questions on **Global Recycling Day** (and every day!):

- Am I disposing of my used items **properly** so that they can be recycled?
- Do I know my community's **recycling policies**?
- Do I know **what happens to my recyclables** once they're collected at curbside or from the drop-off sites?
- Am I making **eco-friendly purchasing decisions**?
- Do I make an effort to **repair and reuse** my items?



Learn more about recycling, its benefits, and how to recycle right in Southwest Oakland County at www.rrrasoc.org.

2024 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*.

April 13, 2024

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

April 20, 2024

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

May 4, 2024

Oakland Community College
Orchard Ridge Campus Lot 8
27055 Orchard Lake Rd., Farmington Hills

May 18, 2024

Milford Civic Center
1100 Atlantic St., Milford
Enter from West, off Mont Eagle St.

July 13, 2024

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

October 5, 2024

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

October 26, 2024

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.

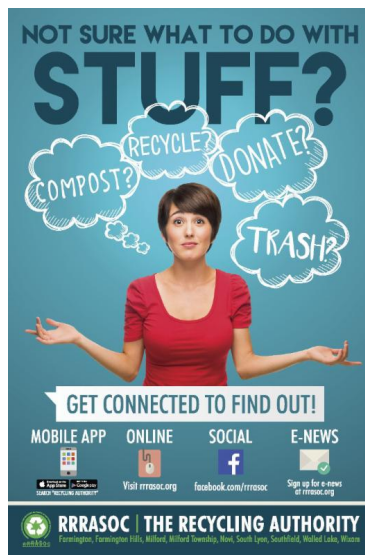
To confirm drop-off times and/or to schedule a pickup, please contact:

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 RRRASOC.org and email at education@rrrasoc.org





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