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.

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.
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 address 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!
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.

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**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

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**CCGRA’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**

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**Bellefonte Borough Holiday Collection Schedule**

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**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](http://www.crcog.net)

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

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**Upcoming Spring Events**

- **April 21-23**  
  Art Alliance of Central PA Recycled Art Show  
  [www.artalliancepa.org](http://www.artalliancepa.org)

- **April 22**  
  Clearwater Conservancy Watershed Cleanup Day  
  [www.clearwaterconservancy.org](http://www.clearwaterconservancy.org)

- **April 28-29**  
  CCRRA HHW Collection Event  
  [www.centrecountyrecycles.org](http://www.centrecountyrecycles.org)
GUIDE TO CURBSIDE RECYCLING

STEEL & ALUMINUM - CANS & FOIL
Rinse and remove food residue. Labels acceptable.

PLASTIC - BOTTLES, JUGS & JARS
Rinse containers. Lids and labels acceptable.

GLASS - BOTTLES & JARS
Rinse containers. Lids and labels acceptable.

CORRUGATED CARDBOARD
Break down all cardboard boxes. Place beside bin.

MIXED PAPER, PAPERBOARD & MAGAZINES
Bag/bundle all paper. Bag shredded paper.

NEWSPAPER
Bag/bundle separately.

NOT IN YOUR RED BIN
- Batteries
- Styrofoam™
- Paper Plates/Cups
- Glassware/Ceramics
- Miscellaneous Plastics

WHEN IN DOUBT, CHECK IT OUT
814.238.7005
www.centrecountyrecycles.org

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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