



Facts About...

Recycling

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Waste Diversion Rate

- ▶ For calendar year 2006, 36% recycling rate + 3% source reduction credit = 39% waste diversion rate.

Residential Program

Curbside

- ▶ The County offers once-a-week curbside collection for 54,325 single-family households. Mixed paper, newspaper, corrugated cardboard, glass, aluminum and steel cans, and plastic bottles are collected.

Drop-off

- ▶ The Reichs Ford Road Recycling Center is open from 7 am to 4:30 pm Monday through Saturday and accepts mixed paper, newspaper, corrugated cardboard, metal cans, plastic bottles, glass, motor oil, white goods, antifreeze, auto batteries, tires, textiles, and flexible foam.
- ▶ There are 11 other drop-off locations: Thurmont, Middletown, Buckeystown, Brunswick, Rosemont Avenue and East Street in Frederick City, Mt. Pleasant, Myersville, Jefferson, Urbana, and Yellow Springs. These unstaffed centers are open seven days a week, dawn to dusk, accepting the same materials as the curbside program.

Processing/Marketing

- ▶ The County contracts for collection, processing and marketing together. Allied Waste currently has the contract.

Municipalities

- ▶ Brunswick, Emmitsburg, Frederick, Middletown, Mount Airy, Myersville, New Market, Thurmont, Burkittsville, Rosemont, Walkersville, and Woodsboro are included in the County's curbside recycling program.

Yard Trimmings

- ▶ Backyard composting and grasscycling is promoted.

- ▶ A mobile grinder operates at 2 locations in the County, one at Heritage Farm Park in Walkersville and another at the Reichs Ford Road Recycling Center, where grass, leaves and brush are accepted free of charge.
- ▶ Christmas trees are also collected and ground for mulch.

Other Materials

- ▶ *Magazines* are collected with mixed paper in the curbside program.
- ▶ The County provides space at the landfill for the State Department of Agriculture to hold summer collections for *pesticide bottles*.
- ▶ The County collects *textiles* which are given to Frederick Rescue Mission for recycling & reuse.
- ▶ *Motor oil* is accepted at 9 drop-off sites and antifreeze is accepted at 2 drop-off sites.

Household Hazardous Waste

- ▶ The County has two residential HHW collection days, held semi-annually (Spring & Fall). Contact the County at 301-600-1848 for details.

Electronics

- ▶ The County has a permanent electronic recycling program. Call 301-600-2960 for details.

Public Buildings

- ▶ County offices recycle office paper, cans, bottles, newspaper and cardboard. 21 public buildings participate.

Procurement

- ▶ The County encourages the "Buy Recycled" philosophy and utilizes this philosophy in their purchases when possible.

Public Education & Outreach

- ▶ The Recycling Office is available to make presentations on recycling, back yard composting, worm composting, and green shopping.
- ▶ The Recycling Education Center at the Reichs Ford Recycling Center provides information about recycling and composting. It also includes a backyard composting demonstration area.

Disposal

- ▶ Please call 301-600-1848 for tipping fees.

Financing/Budget

- ▶ The recycling program is financed through tipping fees paid into the Solid Waste Enterprise Fund and through the System Benefit Charge.

