

green guide

waste reduction, reuse and recycling in Dearborn County October 2025

Recycle these materials 24/7 at 14 drop-off locations in Dearborn County. See the list of locations on the back page of this brochure. Recyclables must be sorted by type for drop off at all locations. Please place recyclables loose in the trailer, and take your bags back home.

RECYCLE THESE MATERIALS

sort separately

CARDBOARD

Paperboard and brown boxes. Remove food debris and paper/bag liners.



MIXED PAPER

Office paper, newspaper, magazines, junk mail, and envelopes.



ALUMINUM CANS & BOTTLES

Remove caps on aluminum bottles.



commingle together

GLASS BOTTLES & JARS

Any color. Remove metal lids and place both in bin.



METAL CANS

Non-hazardous, non-flammable material only. Remove lids and tips of aerosol cans.



CUPS

Fast food beverage cups, aluminum cups, and paper cups only. Remove straws. No colored party cups.



PLASTIC BOTTLES, JUGS, AND TUBS

Reattach lids. Yogurt and fruit cups OK.



CARTONS

Milk, juice, soup, broth, and wine cartons. Remove plastic caps and straws.



Want to recycle more items like styrofoam and plastic bags? Check out our Hefty® ReNew® Bag Program on the back of this flyer. The bags are accepted in our Drive-Thru and at each of the 24/7 drop-off locations.

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drive-thru services

Monday-Friday 9am-4pm and Wednesday 9am-6pm

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We make recycling easy at the Dearborn County Recycling Center Drive-Thru. Stay in your car and let us do all the work. Please place items in the trunk or rear of the vehicle where our attendant can easily reach them.

Items accepted **FREE OF CHARGE**

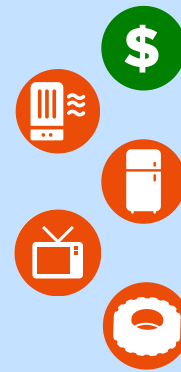
- batteries – non-alkaline
- cooking oil
- electronics – computers, monitors, phones, small appliances, etc.
- fire extinguishers
- hardcover books
- mercury products – fluorescent bulbs, thermometers, etc.
- metal – various items and scrap
- motor oil and oil filters



Items accepted **WITH PAYMENT OF FEES***

- Freon Appliances – **\$10 each** (contain or have contained Freon)
- Televisions – **\$15 each**
- Tires (price per tire)

	off the rim	on the rim
bicycle	\$1	\$1
ATV/mower/motorcycle	\$2	\$2
passenger	\$3	\$4
forklift/bobcat	\$8	\$13
semi truck	\$9	\$13
super single	\$14	\$16
tractor	\$50	\$60
tracks	\$80	---



* Fees are accepted in cash, check (made out to Dearborn County Recycling Center), or credit card (a convenience fee of 2.25% for credit cards or 1.5% for debit cards will be added). Additional fees apply for businesses and are detailed online. Drive-Thru recycling services are for Dearborn County residents and businesses only. The prices listed are the current prices at the time of publication (September 2025). Please visit our website for updated information about prices. For Dearborn County businesses with large quantities of items, please call ahead to ensure that the DCRC can accept your materials.

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Disposal



What is Household Hazardous Waste and what should you do with it?

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) is any unusable or unwanted product found in your home, garage, shed or barn that can be hazardous to plants, animals, humans or the environment if it is not disposed of correctly. HHW should never be put in the trash, poured down the drain/on the ground, or burned.

Follow these procedures to properly handle HHW:

1. Make sure the substance is in a leak-proof container.
2. Keep the original label on the container with the substance.
3. Bring HHW to the Recycling Center during Drive-Thru hours.

Garden and Workshop

- Acetone
- Bug sprays
- Epoxy/adhesives
- Fertilizers
- Oil-based paints/stains
- Pesticides
- Pool chemicals
- Propane tanks
- Rodent poisons
- Thinners & strippers
- Water repellents
- Weed sprays

Garage and Auto

- Brake fluid
- Car paint & solvents
- Gasoline & kerosene
- Grease & degreasers
- Grout & caulk
- Mercury switches
- Propane cylinders
- Refrigerants
- Sealants
- Tar/sealers/solvents
- Transmission fluid
- Wax, polish, & cleaner

Kitchen and Bath

- Bleach
- Drain openers
- Furniture polish
- Oven cleaners
- Tub & tile cleaners

Personal Care

- Hair dyes
- Hair spray (aerosol)
- Nail polish
- Perfume
- Perm chemicals



Water-Based Paint (Latex)

Donate usable water-based paint that is **in the original container with the label, at least 1/3 full, and has never been frozen**. Paint that doesn't meet these requirements should be disposed of with regular trash after it has been dried. To dry the paint quickly, use cat litter, concrete or a similar thickener.

All chemicals brought to the Recycling Center must be in 5-gallon containers or smaller. We no longer accept 55-gallon drums of any type of material. Please be prepared to leave your container for any HHW item. If you need the container back, we can take your name and phone number to call you once it is emptied.

other services



General recyclables are also accepted in the Drive-Thru FREE of charge.

- Cardboard
- Mixed paper
- Aluminum cans & bottles
- Plastic bottles, jugs, & tubs
- Cups
- Metal Cans
- Cartons
- Glass bottles & jars

Please see the complete list on the front of this brochure.



Acceptance of PRESSURIZED CYLINDERS

The Dearborn County Recycling Center will only accept:

- Any size propane tank
- Fire extinguishers
- Oxygen tanks
- Freon
- Helium tanks
- Carbon dioxide (CO2)

Please call Environmental Enterprises at 513-853-3593 for assistance with the disposal of any other pressurized cylinder.

Special Collections and Donation Items

Donations for our Reuse Programs can be dropped off in the Drive-Thru. All items must be clean and in good condition. Please see our website for a complete list of items accepted, as well as specifications for dresses and costumes. We DO NOT accept housewares or furniture.

Donation items accepted for:

- Creation Station
- Lending Station
- ReProm
- Costume Swap
- Holiday Giveaway



Special Collections include:

- String lights
- Egg cartons (both cardboard and styrofoam, must be clean)



Follow us on Facebook and Instagram for the latest news and event information.



An interactive map, trailer exchange schedules, and more information about services and programs can be found online at

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Reuse Programs



Creation Station is a not-for-profit reuse center.

Any not-for-profit educator in Dearborn County may obtain supplies from Creation Station. This includes but is not limited to classroom teachers, 4-H leaders, Scout leaders, homeschool parents, non-traditional educators, and VBS teachers. Anyone who wants to use materials from Creation Station must provide proof of not-for-profit status and demonstrate intent. Creation Station is for adults only and is open year-round on Wednesdays from 1-6 pm.



Lending Station allows individuals to borrow items for special events, weddings, and parties at no cost. Besides the traditional glassware and party supplies, Cricut machines are also available for use. Lending Station is open to the public by appointment only.



ReProm is a formal and semi-formal dress exchange program. It is open to everyone. There are over 1000 semi-formal and formal dresses available. Open year-round on Wednesdays from 1-6 pm. Check our website for additional hours and appointment times.



Costume Swap is an annual event that offers customers the chance to share and re-wear costumes that would otherwise only be worn once. Anyone can participate by bringing a costume and selecting another. Open in October.



Holiday Giveaway is an event where anyone can come and receive free holiday decorations, ornaments, gift wrap, Christmas trees, and craft supplies. Check our website for the hours in December.

Education and Outreach Programs



Environmental education programs are FREE and available for schools, youth, and other community organizations upon request. The programs cover topics such as recycling, composting, landfills, and litter prevention. Facility tours are available for ages 10 and up and must be scheduled during normal business hours. Standards information is available by request.



Hefty® ReNew® Program



Purchase Hefty® ReNew® orange bags at Kroger, Walmart, Meijer, Ace Hardware, or Target.

Tie the full orange bag and place it in the designated spot in our trailers or bring it to the DCRC Drive-Thru. Greendale, Lawrenceburg, and Hidden Valley residents can place the bag in their recycling cart.

All items must fit in the bag, and the drawstring must be pulled closed. Anything you put in the Hefty® ReNew® orange bags must be clean, dry, and free of any foil lining! **Only the Hefty® ReNew® orange bags are accepted.**

KITCHEN PANTRY

Candy wrappers
Cereal box liners
Chip bags
Cookie/cracker box liners
Dry mix liners (cake, powder mixes)
Foam egg cartons
Fresh/frozen vegetable & fruit bags
Granola & energy bar wrappers
Plastic pet food bags
Salad bags
Shredded cheese packages
Snack food bags
Stand-up pouches



OFFICE & SHIPPING

Bubble wrap
Clear plastic overwraps
Foam block packaging
Foam peanuts
Plastic air pillow pack



STORAGE & CLEANING

Dry and wet disposable cleaning cloths
Food Storage Bags
Plastic food wrap
Plastic grocery bags
Plastic wraps on paper towels and toilet paper



DINING & EATING

Foam cups
Foam to-go boxes
Plastic colored cups
Plastic or foam plates and bowls
Plastic straws and stirrers
Plastic utensils



24/7 recycling locations

Recyclables can be dropped off 24/7 at our self-service trailers and must be sorted by type. Refer to the front of this guide for sorting instructions.

AURORA

The Heart House 6815 US 50

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ARCC Ball Fields at 366 Moore St

BRIGHT

Bright Elementary School 22593 Stateline Rd

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Bright Meadows Park 2095 Einsel Rd

DILLSBORO

Behind the Fire Dept between Front St. & Western Row

GREENDALE

Behind Greendale Park Rand St.

LAWRENCEBURG

County Fairgrounds US 50

MANCHESTER

Manchester Ballfields St. Route 48 & County Farm Rd

MOORES HILL

Intersection of Manchester St. & College St.

NEW ALSACE

American Legion Post 452 25329 Legion Rd.

NORTH DEARBORN

Lot on Sawdon Ridge Rd 5678 N. Dearborn Rd

ST. LEON

St. Leon Fire Department 28870 St. Joe Dr.

STATE RT 1

Tanner Valley UM Church 19235 St Rt 1

YORKVILLE

Widolff's General Store 7981 Yorkridge Rd



Additional trailers for cardboard and commingled recyclables are available at the sites marked.



On occasion, our trailers have to be temporarily moved. Visit our website or follow us on social media for the latest trailer placements.



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