

Events

Mercer County Improvement Authority (MCIA)

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Document Shredding

February 24, November 3: 9 am - 2 pm
Lot 4 / 651 South Broad Street, Trenton

Household Hazardous Waste* & Electronics Collection

April 7, June 2, September 29: 8 am - 2 pm
Dempster Fire School, Lawrence Twp.

(*Aerosol cans, Anti-freeze, Car batteries, CFL bulbs, Driveway sealer, Fluorescent bulbs, Gasoline, Herbicides, Insect repellents, Mercury, Oil based paint, Paint thinner, Pesticides, Propane gas tanks, Stains, Used motor oil, Varnishes)

Hopewell Township (Township Residents Only)

hopewelltp.org/198/Electronics-RecyclingShredding

Electronics Collection & Document Shredding

April 21, October 20: 9 am - 1 pm

Hopewell Valley Green Team hopewellvalleygreenteam.org

Collection of clean white Styrofoam blocks used for shipping, DVDs/CDs & wine bottle corks

At HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP Public Works,
February 3: 12 noon - 3 pm

Document Shredding & Collection of clean white Styrofoam blocks used for shipping, DVDs/CDs & wine bottle corks

At PENNINGTON BOROUGH Public Works,
September 15: 12 noon - 3 pm.

Pennington Farmers Market penningtonfarmersmarket.org

Collection of clean #5 plastic containers, wine bottle corks (made of real cork, not plastic ones), DVDs/CDs, Brita and Pur filters, dental care products (toothpaste tubes with cap, toothbrushes, floss containers etc.), Styrofoam egg containers June 30, July 28, August 25, September 29, October 27: 9 am - 1 pm, Rosedale Mills, 101 Route 31 N, Pennington.

Hopewell Valley Green Team, February 2018

2018 Recycling in Hopewell Valley



Curbside Recycling

By Mercer County Improvement Authority (MCIA)

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Single Stream Recycling: All recyclables can be mixed together

January 9, 23	April 3, 17	July 10, 24	October 2, 16, 30
February 6, 20	May 1, 15, 29	August 7, 21	November 13, 27
March 6, 20	June 12, 26	September 4, 18	December 11, 29

Schedule reminders via 'Recycle Coach' App recyclecoach.com/

Note about Plastics in MCIA Curbside Recycling

- **Plastic bags: Do not put recyclables in plastic trash bags!**
Bags jam equipment in recycling plants and contaminate recyclables.
- **Plastic bottles, containers and lids:** plastic with a ♻️ or ♻️ stamp can be recycled. Plastic with a ♻️, ♻️, ♻️, ♻️ or ♻️ stamp will not be recycled; they should be put in the trash.
- See "More Ways to Recycle" for recycling options for some plastics.

Recyclables for MCIA Curbside Recycling

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- Food, beverage, personal care, and cleaning product containers made from glass, aluminum, or plastic with a number 1 or 2 stamp. Loose plastic and metal caps can be included.
- Metal food (including pet food) and beverage cans.
- Paper, cardboard and books, including hard cover books (but remove hard cover and put in trash). Plastic windows on envelopes are okay. Juice/beverage boxes and cartons are accepted even if they have a plastic spout.

Materials NOT Recyclable via MCIA Curbside Recycling

Aerosol cans, Aluminum foil and foil containers, Anti-freeze containers, Bandage tins, Batteries, Bubble wrap, Ceramics, Clothes hangers, Cookie tins, Dishes and drinking glasses, Light bulbs, Motor oil containers, Paper plates and other food-contaminated paper, Pizza boxes, Plastic bags, Plastic containers stamped with number 3, 4, 5, 6 or 7, Pottery, Styrofoam, Window glass.

More Ways to Recycle

Batteries: cellphone, laptop, button and rechargeable batteries, find a drop off location at: call2recycle.org/locator. For cordless tool batteries, most Home Depot stores have a bin by the entrance.

Bikes: Trenton Bike Exchange: bikeexchangenj.org.

Brita Products: brita.com/recycling-filters and Pennington Farmers Market (See Events).

Bubble Wrap: Trex program (See Plastic Bags).

Cell Phones: phone companies and electronics stores.

CFL Bulbs: MCIA Household Hazardous Waste Collection (See Events), and some stores, e.g., Home Depot and Lowe's.

Clothes and shoes may be: 1) accepted by local consignment stores, 2) picked up by charities (check their web sites), or 3) dropped off at one of the many collection boxes in Hopewell Valley, e.g., the outdoor collection boxes at all six schools of the Hopewell Valley Regional School District. The HVRSD boxes accept clothing regardless of quality (items must be dry, but stains and rips are no problem), as well as **sheets, blankets, curtains, towels, scrap fabric, pillows, stuffed toys, gloves, hats, handbags, belts and shoes** (but no carpet): hvrsd.org/textiles.

Electronics: MCIA and Hopewell Township (See Events), and some stores, e.g., bestbuy.com/recycle.

Eyeglasses and Sunglasses prescription and non-prescription, Lions Club, Collection boxes at Pennington Quality Market and Hopewell Township Library: njlerc.org.

Fluorescent Bulbs: MCIA Household Hazardous Waste Collection (See Events) .

Furniture: e.g., ReStore (free pickup) habitat.org/restores.

Ink Cartridges: e.g., Staples, Office Depot/Max.

Medical Equipment: goodwillhomemedical.org/equipment-donation.

Medication: 24/7 Drop off box at the Hopewell Township Police Department. www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/meddrop.

Packing Peanuts: Shipping stores, e.g., Popcorn Packers in Pennington, UPS stores, or Mail Boxes Etc.

Plastic Bags: clean, dry plastic bags free of food residue are accepted by many retailers. Trex participating locations (e.g., Stop and Shop) accept a wide range of plastics, including **bubble wrap, cereal bags, ice bags, produce bags, newspaper sleeves, plastic wrap, zip-lock bags**, check: trex.com/recycling/recycling-programs.

Plastic Bottles, Containers and Lids Stamped with Number ♻️

Preserve's Gimme 5: preserveproducts.com/recycle/what-we-accept. Clean containers can be dropped off at the Whole Foods Market at 3495 US Route 1 South, Princeton, or the Pennington Farmers Market (See Events), or mailed to Preserve (see preserveproducts.com).

Plastic Plant Trays, Pots and Tags: Lowe's Garden Centers.

Refrigerators and Freezers: NJ Clean Energy Program, njcleanenergy.com, \$50 rebate, free pick-up, schedule online or call (877) 341-2192 (New for 2018: room air conditioners and dehumidifiers can be picked up along with a fridge or freezer).

Shoes - See Clothes.

Stuffed Toys - See Clothes.

Anything Else?

Earth911: Find a recycling solution at earth911.com.

Freecycle: Join a local group (e.g., Princeton and/or Trenton) at freecycle.org and find a good home for what you no longer need.

TerraCycle: Check TerraCycle's **zero waste boxes** for many materials, zerowastebboxes.terracycle.com.

Looking for ways to live more sustainably?

Check out: hopewellvalleygreenteam.org

Questions or suggestions?

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