



Q&A WITH RECYCLE RAE

I recycle as much as I can, but what happens to the waste that cannot be recycled? And how can landfills manage that amount of waste? -Rubbish Burdened Resident

There are some materials that cannot be recycled. There are even more materials that are recyclable, that are still being thrown in the trash. Materials that were not or cannot be recycled are taken to landfills. In Baltimore, the trash is taken to a waste to energy facility where it is turned into energy. It is good that waste can be turned into energy, but the more we recycle the less air pollution and greenhouse gasses are emitted into our atmosphere. Also, it takes more energy and natural resources to create new products, than if those products were recycled.

-Rae

Submit your own questions by emailing them to: Rakiya-rae.wallace@baltimorecity.gov



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Citizens Cleaned Up a LOT and Had a Cookout

The Remington community brought in the summer with a bang and a cookout to urge residents to keep their community streets and lots clean.

The ROCK Remington Clean Picnic occurred as part of the Clean Community Competition on June 9, 2012.

Remington residents came together in an effort to get a vacant lot clean. They also signed 'clean pledges' promising to do their part to keep their community clean in exchange for free recycle bins.

Aside from the food and refreshments, an artist was also available to help decorate the recycle and trash bins. T-shirts

and flower pots were also given away to inspire Remington residents to continue their efforts not only to beautify their community but to win the Clean Community Competition.

The Clean Community Competition is a citywide contest where neighborhoods compete to be the cleanest. Winning communities will receive cash prizes to benefit their community association and activities. The first place winner is awarded \$5,000, and the second place winner is awarded \$1,000. Each quadrant of the city (Northwest, Northeast, Southwest, and Southeast), will have a first and second place winner.

Mayor Stephanie Rawlings-Blake was in attendance to support the neighborhood's efforts. She spoke at the event and even autographed a few of the bins.



Children decorate trash and recycle bins at the ROCK Remington Clean Picnic.

July is EXPLODING with Events and Festivals!



African American Festival

This month, Baltimore will have lots of events. During Artscape and the African American Festival, the Office of Recycling will be present to spread and promote recycling. Make sure you stop by! More information about the Household Hazardous Waste Collection can be found on the following page.

What: The festival is a celebration of African American life, music and culture. This family-oriented event is filled with celebrity artists and entertainers, children's activities, arts, history, education, financial literacy, health & wellness, and much more.

Where: M&T Bank Stadium on Lots B and C between Oriole Park at Camden Yards 1101 Russell Street, Baltimore, MD 21230



July 7th -8th Saturday: 12 p.m.-10 p.m. Sunday: 12 p.m.-9 p.m.



Artscape



What: Artscape is America's largest free arts festival and will feature over 150 fine artists, fashion designers, and craftspeople. There will be visual art exhibits on and off-site. Such exhibitions will include outdoor sculpture, art cars, and photography. The festival will also feature live concerts and hands-on projects, demonstrations, competitions, children's entertainers, and street theater.

Where: Mount Royal Avenue & Cathedral Street, Charles Street, Bolton Hill, and Station North Arts & Entertainment District



Household Hazardous Waste

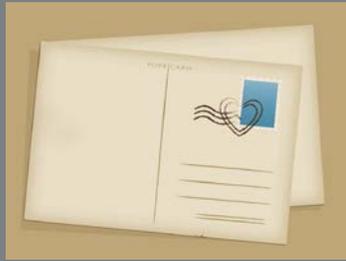
July 20th -22nd Friday: 11 a.m.-9 p.m. Saturday: 11 a.m.-9p.m. Sunday: 11 a.m.-8 p.m.

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Reminders



DOES YOUR FAMILY RECYCLE? Would You Like Them to Be the New Faces of Our Recycling Postcard!

If you and your family are interested, please submit a photo of your family in the act recycling by July 30, 2012. Please include your names and contact information in an email to Rakiya-rae.wallace@baltimorecity.gov and entitle the subject *Baltimore Family Recycling*. The winners will be featured on our new recycling postcard which will be distributed throughout the City.

Please DO NOT Place Recycled Materials in Plastic Bags!



The Baltimore City Office of Recycling would like to remind residents that items set out for recycling collection **cannot be placed in plastic bags**. You can use a cardboard box, paper bag, or any other container – even a laundry basket – as long as it is clearly marked “recycling.” The City sells recycling bins at our Kane Street Yard located at 111 Kane St. We currently have 25 gallon recycle bins in stock which can be purchased for \$12.

We're on the Web!

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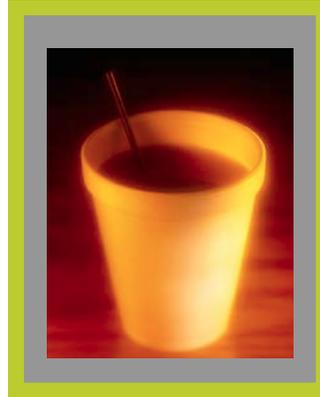
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COMING THIS FALL TO A RECYCLE BIN NEAR YOU ...



Styrofoam Recycling



Summer is here! With cookouts and picnics on the rise, the Office of Recycling would like to remind citizens that Polystyrene Foam, commonly referred to as “Styrofoam,” **CAN** be recycled. These products are easily identifiable as they are marked with a #6 encased in a recycled symbol.

These recyclables can **ONLY** be dropped off at the Northwest Citizen Convenience Center located at 2840 Sisson Street. Regular drop-off hours there are Monday through Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; summer hours (Memorial Day through Labor Day) are Monday through Saturday, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. This program **DOES NOT** include curbside pick-up.

Styrofoam Items Include:

- Foam cups and containers. Cups do not need to be rinsed, but must be empty.
- Foam egg cartons.
- Rinsed, single-layer, non-perforated foam meat trays
- Rinsed Foam food trays/lunch trays
- Most packaging foam: molded forms and shapes
- No Packing Peanuts

Household Hazardous Waste Collection Update

The Household Hazardous Waste event will be held on July 27 and 28 this month from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m at 2840 Sisson St. As a reminder, latex paint is **NOT** a hazardous material. It can be dried out then disposed in your regular missed refuse on your trash day. Motor Oil can be taken to Citizen Drop Off facilities during their normal hours of operation.

Accepted Materials

- Automotive Fluids
- Batteries
- Glycols (e.g. Antifreeze)
- Household Cleaning Products
- Fungicides/Herbicides
- Insecticides/Pesticides
- Kerosene
- Laser Toner Cartridges
- Paint (Oil)
- Paint Thinners
- Pool Cleaners
- Pool Chemicals
- Propane Tanks
- Rust Removers
- Solvents
- Turpentine (Varnishes & Stains)
- Florescent Light Bulbs
- Thermometers
- Fire Extinguishers

Non-Accepted Materials

- Photographic Chemicals
- Asbestos
- Ammunition
- Explosives
- Acids
- Industrial Wastes
- Medical Wastes
- Radioactive Materials
- Smoke Detectors
- No Leaking Containers
- No Commercial Waste
- No Unmarked Waste (must be in original packaging with manufacturers label)

