

ABOUT THIS GUIDE

The Barry County Recycling Guide is designed to help manage solid waste through reduction, reuse, recycling, and proper disposal of hazardous waste products.

This guide is provided to you by the Barry County Solid Waste Oversight Committee (SWOC), striving to best utilize the resources available in Michigan s solid waste stream and prevent adverse health and environmental effects resulting from improper solid waste management.

Major SWOC projects include spring and fall Household Hazardous Waste Collections at the Barry County Fairgrounds and the Roadside deer pick up program. In addition, the SWOC provides small grants to agencies, clubs, organizations and schools to support recycling and hazardous waste programs.

For more information on the SWOC, contact the Barry-Eaton District Health Department at (269) 945-9516 ext. 3 then 5. Questions or suggestions for updates should be directed to the Barry Conservation District, 1611 S. Hanover, Suite 105, Hastings (269) 948-8037 ext 117.

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REDUCE! REUSE! RECYCLE!

Reduce

The best thing to do is *reduce* how much waste is created in the first place.

- Buy only what you need, and use it all
- Purchase recycled or recyclable items
- Buy in bulk or refills when possible
- Avoid single-serve containers
- Look for items sold as concentrates
- Say no to wasteful disposable items
- Choose goods that will last longer
- Opt out of catalogs and mailers



The average person creates about 4.7 pounds of waste every single day.



In 2007 the United States recycled and composted 85 million tons of the 254 million tons of municipal solid waste created.

Reuse

Here are ways to *reuse* materials instead of throwing them away:

- Use reusable cloth shopping bags
- Carry a water bottle or mug with you to refill on-the-go
- Reuse paper printed on one side
- Wrap gifts in used wrapping paper, bags, cloth, or a colorful scarf
- Donate used goods to thrift stores like Goodwill (see pg 29)

Recycle

If you cannot reduce or reuse, recycling is the next-best option. Recycling turns old materials into new products instead of being thrown into a landfill. Use this guide to find out what products can be recycled and where you can drop off your recyclable items.



Recycling 1 ton of aluminum cans conserves the equivalent of 1,665 gallons of gasoline.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

Household hazardous waste is any item that cannot be recycled but do not belong in the waste-stream because they pose a pollution threat. These items require special precautions when storing and disposing of them.

Common Household Hazardous Waste Items

Automotive:

Car batteries Degreasers Antifreeze Brake fluid Fuels Motor oil

Carburetor cleaner Oil Filters

Household:

Aerosols Fluorescent lightbulbs Nail polish/remover

Batteries Medication Oven cleaner

Drain cleaner Mothballs Mercury

Home improvement:

Concrete cleaner Glue with solvents Roofing tar
Driveway sealer Latex/oil paint Stain/varnish

Furniture stripper Paint remover/thinner

Lawn and Garden:

Bug spray/ Weed killer Herbicide/weed killer

Insecticide/Bait Pool chemicals
Charcoal lighter fluid Rodenticide/bait

The average American home stores up to 100 pounds of household hazardous waste. Make your home safer by limiting the amount of household hazardous waste you store. If you do store hazardous waste products, always place the product in its original container, inside a leak-proof plastic bin to catch any spills or leaks that may occur. Never remove labels from products and keep them in their original containers. If you are no longer using a product, if its package is damaged, or if you cannot identify it, take it to the Household Hazardous Waste collection (page 6) for proper disposal.

BARRY COUNTY HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTIONS

Bring your items to the Barry County Household Hazardous Waste, Tire, Oil, and Medicine Collections!

DATES IN MAY AND SEPTEMBER

At the Barry County Fairgrounds 1350 N. M-37 Hwy.

For questions, call (269) 945-9516 ext. 353

Sponsored by Barry County Solid Waste Oversight Committee.



Thanks to Barry County Fair Board, Waste Management, Barry-Eaton District Health Department, Barry County Substance Abuse Task Force, Sheriff's Department, and Local Pharmacies...

ANTIFREEZE

Antifreeze can be absorbed through the skin in toxic amounts and can be harmful or fatal if swallowed, causing liver and kidney damage. It is especially dangerous to children, pets and wildlife because they are attracted by its sweet taste, therefore antifreeze should never be dumped on the ground or left in an open container.

We are fortunate to have safe disposal or recycling options in our area. Please utilize one of the following options when disposing of antifreeze:



Ethylene glycol is the main ingredient in most antifreeze.

The safer brands of antifreeze consist of propylene glycol, which can still cause poisoning and death, but requires a greater amount ingested to do so.

Barry County Household Hazardous Waste Collection See page 6

Maxi Muffler Plus

201 N. Broadway, Hastings M-F 7:30-5 (269) 945-5888 www.maximuffler.com

Wilder's Auto Service 1510 Star School Rd, Hastings M-F 8-5 (269) 948-2192

CAR BATTERIES

Auto Zone

401 W. State Rd, Hastings M-Sat 8-9, Sun 9-6 (269) 721-8888

Barry County Household Hazardous Waste Collection See page 6

Jeff Dobbin's Auto Service 1847 E. M-79, Hastings M-F 8-5 (269) 945-0191 www.dobbins24hrtowing.com

Castleton Maple Grove Nashville Transfer Station

(Charge)
203 N. Main St., Nashville
Saturdays 9-5
(517) 852-5061
www.nashvillemi.us

O'Reilly Auto Parts

911 W State St, Hastings M-Sat 7:30-9 Sun 9-9 (269) 945-9597



Wherever you buy a car battery, you may now also turn in your old car battery at the time of the purchase.

Padnos

519 Railroad St, Hastings M-F 8-4; closed at noon (269) 945-3054 www.hastingsrecycling.com

Wilder's Auto Service 1510 Star School Rd, Hastings M-F 8-5 (269) 948-2192

Taylor Enterprises

1511 E Center Rd, Hastings (269) 948-4278

FUEL TANKS/GASOLINE

Fuel tanks must be empty before you recycling or disposal and may need to be cut apart or have holes drilled in them. Use caution and always get professional advice.

Both fuel tanks and gasoline can be taken to:

Wilder's Auto Service-

1510 Star School Rd, Hastings M-F 8-5 (269) 948-2192

OIL FILTERS

O'Reilly Auto Parts

911 W State St, Hastings M-Sat 7:30-9 Sun 9-9 (269) 945-9597

Performance Plus

430 W. State St, Hastings M-F 8-6 Sat 8-3 (269) 948-8558

Walmart Tire and Lube Express

412 Oaks Crossing, Plainwell (269) 685-6191

Wilder's Auto Service

MOTOR OIL

It is illegal to dump motor oil on the ground, down the drain or sewer, or into any surface waters or groundwater. Instead, bring your motor oil to one of these locations:

Auto Zone

401 W. State Rd, Hastings M-Sat 8-9 Sun 9-6 (269) 721-8888

Barry County Household Hazardous Waste Collection

See page 6

Estelle Automotive

12223 W M179 Hwy, Wayland (269) 795-9277

Hastings Pro Auto

229 N. Broadway, Hastings M-F 8-5 (269) 948-2121

Hastings Quick Lube

815 W. State St, Hastings M-Sat 9-6 (269) 948-9542

Maxi Muffler Plus

201 N. Broadway, Hastings M-F 7:30-5 (269) 945-5888

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www.nashvillemi.us

Performance Plus

430 W. State St, Hastings M-F 8-6 Sat 8-3 (269) 948-8558

Wilder's Auto Service

TIRES

Barry County Household Hazardous Waste

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Jeff Dobbin's Auto Service

(Charge, Call ahead) 1847 E. M-79, Hastings M-F 8-5 (269) 945-0191 www.dobbins24hrtowing.com

Barry Township Transfer Station (Charge)

2994 Osborne Rd, Delton Fri 3-7, Sat 9-5 (269) 623-5171

Maxi Muffler Plus

(Charge) 201 N. Broadway, Hastings M-F 7:30-5

Castleton Maple Grove Nashville Transfer Station

(Charge) 203 N. Main St., Nashville Saturdays 9-5 (517) 852-5061 www.nashvillemi.us

Tires 2000

(Charge)
500 Arlington Court, Middleville
M-Th 8-5:30,
Fri 8-5
Sat 8-1
(269) 795-3550

Wilder's Auto Service

1510 Star School Rd, Hastings M-F 8-5 (269) 948-2192

TRANSMISSION OIL

Wilder's Auto Service



CELL PHONES

Cell phones are useful and can be used again. They also contain toxic materials which should not be in landfills. Many places donate used phones to those in need. Here are some great places to take old cell phones or cell phone parts:

First Baptist Church of Hastings

309 E. Woodlawn Ave, Hastings (269) 948-8004

Delton-Kellogg High School

10425 Panther Pride (269) 623-9226

Home Depot

4646 28th St SE, Grand Rapids (616) 975-4440

K-Mart

802 W. State St, Hastings M-Su 8-10 (269) 948-9440

Lowes

6122 N Drive North, Battle Creek (269) 979-5500

Padnos

519 Railroad St, Hastings M-F 8-4 (closed at noon) (269) 945-3054 www.hastingsrecycling.com

Richland True Value Home Center

8108 N. 32nd St, Richland M-F 7:30-6 Sat 8:30-4, Sun 10-2 (269) 629-9716

Second Hand Corners

102 W. State St, Hastings M-Th 9:30-6, Fri til 8 Sat 9:30-7, Sun 12-5 (269) 945-5005 www.secondhandcorners.com

Target

1925 Marketplace Drive, Caledonia M-Sat 8-10 Sun 8-9 (616) 698-1026

COMPUTERS/PRINTERS TVS/VCRS

Think twice before you put that old computer in storage! Try to donate or your old computers before they become totally obsolete or recycle them if you have waited too long. Electronics contain lead and other chemicals, so they should not be disposed of in a landfill.

Goodwill

(Sellable items only)
Many locations, see pg. 29

Comprenew

1454 28th St SE, Grand Rapids M-Sat 10-6 (616) 243-5310 www.comprenew.org

Barry Township Transfer Station

(Charge) 2994 Osborne Rd, Delton Fri 3-7 Sat 9-5 (269) 623-5171

Castleton Maple Grove Nashville Transfer Station

(TVs only, charge)
203 N. Main St., Nashville
Saturdays 9-5
(517) 852-5061
www.nashvillemi.us

Padnos

519 Railroad St, Hastings M-F 8-4 (closed at noon) (269) 945-3054 www.hastingsrecycling.com

INK CARTRIDGES

Delton Kellogg High School

(Call ahead for types collected) 10425 Panther Pride (269) 623-9226

Staples

1849 Southeast Marketplace Dr., Caledonia M-F 8-9 Sat 9-9 Sun 10-6 (616) 698-9287

Target

1925 Marketplace Drive, Caledonia M-Sat 8-10 Sun 8-9 (616) 698-1026



It takes 1,000 years for a cartridge to decompose even more when it is inside a landfill. Each year 300 million of these cartridges are thrown away. This amounts to 75,000 tons of trash.

GLASS

Hope Township

(Township residents and taxpayers only) 5463 S. M-43 Hwy, Hastings (269) 948-2464

Orangeville Township

(Residents only, transfer sticker required)
6912 S. Boulter Rd, Orangeville
9-4, 1st Sat/mo Nov-Feb
9-4, 1st & 3rd Sat/mo Mar-Oct
(269) 664-4522
www.orangevilletownship.org

Yankee Springs Township

(Township residents only. Lids removed and cleaned) 284 N. Briggs Rd, Middleville (269) 795-9091 www.yankeespringstwp.org

Waste Management Landfill

(Charge for non-residents; stop by office first) 1899 N. M-43 Hwy, Hastings M-F 8-3:30 Sat 8-12 (269) 945-2260



By making new glass bottles from 50% recycled material, enough energy is saved to power 45,000 households for a year and prevent 181,550 tons of waste from entering landfills each month.

EXPLOSIVES/AMMUNITION

When spring clean-up time leads to some unexpected caches of unwanted or unusable fireworks, flares, bullets, shotgun shells, blasting caps, or dynamite, remember there is a safe solution in our area for disposal. Please contact:

Barry County Sherriff's Department

(Call Ahead) 1212 W. State St, Hastings M/W/F 8-5, Tu/Th 8-7



In 2009, United States landfills were filled with trash equivalent to the weight of 88 million cars. That same year, Americans produced enough trash to circle the earth 24 times.

APPLIANCES

Appliances may be disposed of/recycled at the following locations:

Goodwill

(Sellable items only) Many locations, see pg. 29

Barry Township Transfer Station

(charge, metal appliances only) 2994 Osborne Rd, Delton Fri 3-7 Sat 9-5 (269) 623-5171

Habitat for Humanity ReStore

(Sellable items only)
1220 W. State St., Hastings
Tu 9-2
W-F 9-5
Sat 9-2
(269) 948-9998
www.Hfhbarrycounty.org

Never leave unused appliances around and always remove their doors. It only takes minutes for a child to suffocate in a closed refrigerator or freezer.

Castleton Maple Grove Nashville Transfer Station

(Charge) 203 N. Main St., Nashville Saturdays 9-5 (517) 852-5061 www.nashvillemi.us

Padnos

519 Railroad St, Hastings M-F 8-4; closed at noon (269) 945-3054 www.hastingsrecycling.com

BATTERIES— CELL PHONE

Batteries Plus

115611 Helmer Rd S., Battle Creek M-F 8-8 Sat 8-7, Sun 10-5 (269) 965-6733

Nap Supply & Ace Hardware

7575 S M 43 Hwy, Cloverdale M-F 9-6 Sun 10-2

Padnos

519 Railroad St, Hastings M-F 8-4; closed at noon (269) 945-3054 www.hastingsrecycling.com

BATTERIES—BUTTON

(WATCHES, HEARING AIDS, etc.)

Batteries Plus

115611 Helmer Rd S., Battle Creek M-F 8-8 Sat 8-7, Sun 10-5 (269) 965-6733

Hodges Jewelry and Gifts

122 W. State St, Hastings M-F 9:30-6 Sat 9:30-3 (269) 945-2963 www.hodgesjewelryhastings. com

BATTERIES—HOUSEHOLD

(A, AA, AAA, etc.)

Batteries Plus

(Charge) 115611 Helmer Rd S., Battle Creek M-F 8-8, Sat 8-7, Sun 10-5 (269) 965-6733

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Home Depot

4646 28th St SE, Grand Rapids (616) 975-4440

K-Mart

802 W. State St, Hastings M-Sun 8-10 (269) 948-9440

Lowes

6122 N Drive North, Battle Creek (269) 979-5500

True Value Home Center

8108 N. 32nd St, Richland M-F 7:30-6 Sat 8:30-4, Sun 10-2 (269) 629-9716

Target

1925 Marketplace Drive, Caledonia M-Sat 8-10, Sun 8-9 (616) 698-1026

Wal-Mart

1618 W. M-43, Hastings M-Sun 6-Midnight (269) 948-0470

Wilder's Auto Service

CLOTHING, JEWELRY, FURNITURE

Closet Consignment Shop 10075 S M-43 Hwy, Delton

(269) 623-5385

Daval's Used Furniture & **Antiques**

2084 W. M-43 Hwy, Hastings (269) 948-2463

Fabulous Finds

121 E Main St, Middleville (269) 795-4090

Goodwill

(Sellable items only) Many locations, see pg. 29

Manna's Market

7180 Velte Rd, Lake Odessa M 10-2, Th 4-7 Fri 10-12&5-7 (269) 838-5887

Mel Trotter Ministries

4525 N M-37 Hwy, Middleville (269) 795-9770

Oak Chest

106 Washington St, Olivet M-F 9:30-4:15 Sat 9-12 (269) 749-9520

Salvation Army

294 Highland Ave, Battle Creek (269) 964-4151

Second Hand Corners

(Winter Coats, Jewelry) 102 W. State St, Hastings M-Th 9:30-6, Fri 9:30-8 Sat 9:30-7, Sun 12-5 (269) 945-5005

Turn It Around

133 W Allegan St, Otsego (269) 694-6022

GOLD ONLY:

Gilmore Jewelers

102 E. State St, Hastings M-F 9:30-6, Sat 9-4 (269) 945-9572

Hodges Jewelry and Gifts

122 W. State St, Hastings M-F 9:30-6, Sat 9:30-3 (269) 945-2963



FIRE EXTINGUISHERS

Hastings Fire Department

(Charge) 110 E. Mill St, Hastings (269) 945-5384

FOOD

So much food is thrown away every day. Meanwhile, there are many people who are still starving. Help your neighbors out and donate that food instead of trashing it. Local food pantries, churches and even schools will collect non-expired food and help nourish those who are hungry.

Green St Church (Hastings First UMC)

209 W. Green St, Hastings M-Th 9-3 Fri 9-12 (269) 948-2169

Manna's Market

7180 Velte Rd, Lake Odessa Mon 10-2 Thur 4-7 Fri 10-12 & 5-7 (269) 838-5887

Orangeville Baptist Church

6921 Marsh Rd, Plainwell (269) 664-4377

Thornapple Valley Church

2750 S M-43 Hwy, Hastings (269) 948-2549

LIGHT BULBS

Disposing of fluorescent light tubes and bulbs can be problematic because of their mercury content. Fluorescent bulbs should not be disposed of in the trash or landfill. Take them to one of these locations instead:

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Lowes

(Bulbs only) 6122 N Drive North, Battle Creek (269) 979-5500

Waste Management Mail-in Recycling Kit

(Charge; Order online, receive package and instructions) (866) 797-9018 www.wm.com

MEDICAL WASTE

GRP & Associates

(Charge) (641) 357-2566 www.sharpsdisposal.com Waste Management-Mail-in Kit (Order online) (866) 797-9018 www.wm.com

MEDICINE

Barry County Sheriff's Department

1212 W. State St, Hastings 24 hours/day, 7 days/week (269) 948-4801

Barry County Sheriff s Department – Middleville

100 E. Main St, Middleville M-F 9-5 (269) 795-9862

Barry County Household Hazardous Waste Collection

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Delton Family Pharmacy

338 N Grove St, Delton M-F 8-6 Sat 9-1 (269) 623-5250

Family Fare Pharmacy

902 W. State St, Hastings (269) 945-2466

Hastings Police Department

201 E. State St, Hastings M-F 8am-5 (269) 945-5744

Maple Valley Pharmacy

219 N Main St, Nashville M-F 9am-6 Sat 9am-1 (517) 852-0845

Nashville Village Police Department

208 N. Main St, Nashville (517) 852-9866



PROPANE

Propane is a flammable compressed gas. It is heavier than air and will tend to settle in low areas. Propane is odorized to warn of its presence should a leak occur. Leaking propane may cause a fire or explosion if ignited. All safety instructions should be read and followed when using, transporting and storing propane. Most 20 to 420 pound propane cylinders are certified for 12 years. After 12 years a cylinder must be recertified, if possible, or disposed of properly.

ACE Hardware

111 E State St, Hastings (269) 945-2003

Alto Gas

(Call ahead for assistance) 6040 Alden Nash Ave, Alto M-F 8am-4 (616) 868-6242 www.altogas.com

Daval's Used Furniture

2084 W. M-43 Hwy, Hastings (269) 948-2463

YARD WASTE

Rather than send your yard waste to the landfill, consider composting to recycle nutrients back into the yard, to save on fertilizer and landfill space. When you clean up the yard, take all of the lawn clippings, weeds, leaves, and trimmings, shred

them and put them all in your compost pile. You can also add your kitchen waste (caution: do not add meats, fats/oils, fish, bones, or dairy), twigs, bark, mulch, dried grass clippings.

You can mulch your yard waste by leaving the bag off when you mow your lawn, to allow the grass clippings to naturally add nitrogen back into your lawn. In



Composting reduces yard waste volume by 50 to 75 percent.

the fall, rake leaves into piles and run them over with the lawn mower and leave them spread out on the grass or add them to your compost pile for great source of nutrients. The main aim of mulching yard waste is to make the pieces smaller so they decompose faster.

You can also take yard waste to:

Hastings Yard Waste Compost Site (City Residents Only) 1303 W State Rd, Hastings (269)945-2468

Taylor Enterprises 1511 E Center Rd, Hastings (269) 948-4278 Castleton Maple Grove Nashville Transfer Station

(Brush only, charge) 203 N. Main St., Nashville Saturdays 9-5 (517) 852-5061

www.nashvillemi.us

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METALS- CANS/SCRAP

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(Call Ahead)
1847 E. M-79, Hastings
M-F 8-5
(269) 945-0191
www.dobbins24hrtowing.com

Castleton Maple Grove Nashville Transfer Station

(Must be clean, charge) 203 N. Main St., Nashville Saturdays 9-5 (517) 852-5061 www.nashvillemi.us

METALS-

Hastings Charter Township (Residents only) 885 River Rd, Hastings (269) 948-9690 Open 24/7

Orangeville Township

(Residents only, transfer sticker required)
6912 S. Boulter Rd, Orangeville
9-4, 1st Sat/mo Nov-Feb
9-4, 1st & 3rd Sat/mo Mar-Oct
(269) 664-4522
www.orangevilletownship.org

Padnos

519 Railroad St, Hastings M-F 8-4 (closed at noon) (269) 945-3054

Taylor Enterprises

1511 E Center Rd, Hastings (269) 948-4278

Waste Management Landfill

(Residents only, Charge) 1899 N. M-43 Hwy, Hastings M-F 7:30-5:30

Hope Township

(Township residents and taxpayers only) 5463 S. M-43 Hwy, Hastings (269) 948-2464

Village of Nashville – Transfer Recycle Station

(Items must be clean) 203 N. Main St., Nashville Sat 9-5 (517) 852-5061 www.nashvillemi.us

METALS- MERCURY

Barry County Household Hazardous Waste Collection Spring and fall, see page 6 for details

PAPER

(MAY ALSO ACCEPT CARDBOARD, CALL AHEAD TO VERIFY)

Barry County Christian School (Paper only) 2999 McKeown Rd, Hastings (269) 948-2151

First Baptist Church of Hastings (Paper only)

309 E. Woodlawn Ave, Hastings (269) 948-8004

Free Methodist Church (Paper only) 2630 N. M-43 Hwy, Hastings (269) 945-9121

Barry Transfer Station (Charge, Paper & Cardboard) 2994 Osborne Rd, Delton Fri 3-7, Sat 9-5 (269) 623-5171

Grace Lutheran Church (Paper Only) 239 E. North St, Hastings (269) 945-9414

Hastings Area Schools (Paper Only) 232 W. Grand St, Hastings (269) 948-4400

Hastings Charter Township (Residents only, paper and cardboard) 885 River Rd, Hastings (269) 948-9690 Open 24/7

Nashville Recycle Station (Charge, Paper & Cardboard) 203 N. Main St., Nashville Sat 9-5 (517) 852-5061 www.nashvillemi.us

Orangeville Township (Residents only, transfer sticker required, Paper only) 6912 S. Boulter Rd, Orangeville 9-4, 1st Sat/mo Nov-Feb 9-4, 1st & 3rd Sat/mo Mar-Oct (269) 664-4522 www.orangevilletownship.org

Padnos (Paper & Cardboard) 519 Railroad St, Hastings M-F 8-4 (closed at noon) (269) 945-3054 www.hastingsrecycling.com

St. Rose Catholic Church (Paper only) 707 S. Jefferson St, Hastings (269) 945-4246

Thornapple Valley Church (Paper Only) 2750 M-43 Hwy, Hastings (269) 948-2549

Thornapple Kellogg Schools (Paper Only) 507 W. Main St, Middleville 10375 Green Lake Rd, Middleville (269) 795-3313

PLASTIC

Barry Township Transfer Station (Charge) 2994 Osborne Rd, Delton Fri 3-7, Sat 9-5 (269) 623-5171

Hastings Charter Township

(Residents only) 885 River Rd, Hastings (269) 948-9690 Open 24/7

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Waste Management Landfill

(Charge for non-residents) 1899 N. M-43 Hwy, Hastings M-F 7:30-5:30 (269) 945-2260

Yankee Springs Township Hall

(Residents Only) 284 N. Briggs Rd, Middleville (269) 795-9091 www.yankeespringstwp.org

GOODWILL DONATION CENTERS

Battle Creek:

15383 S. Helmer Rd Battle Creek, MI 49017 (269) 964-2362

M-Sat: 9:30-8

Sun: 11-6

Caledonia:

9321 Cherry Valley Ave SE Caledonia, MI 49316 (616) 891-0418

Grand Rapids:

956 Michigan St. NE Grand Rapids, MI 49503 (616) 885-1485

M-Sat: 9-8 Sun: 11-6

Charlotte:

350 Lansing St Charlotte, MI 48813 (269) 788-6550 M-Sat 9:30-6

Hastings:

2542 M-43 Hwy (269) 945-6252

Lansing

5353 W. Saginaw Hwy Lansing, MI 48917 (517) 323-1167 M-Sat 9:30-8 Sun 11-6

Plainwell/Otsego

1346 M-89 Plainwell, MI 49080 (269)692-6009 M-Th 9-6, Fri 9-7 Sat 9-6, Sun 12-5

Richland

8139 N 32nd St Richland, MI 49083 (269) 629-4324 M-F 12:30-5:30 Sat 9-5

Wayland

1124 W Superior St Wayland, MI 49348 (269) 792-3552 M-F 12:30-5:30 Sat 12:30-5

WASTE HAULERS AND CURBSIDE RECYCLING

Jim's Pickup Service (269) 948-9206 www.jimandsonspickupservice. com

Green Valley Disposal Svc. (616) 647-1400 www.gvds.biz

Sherrod's Refuse Service (269) 721-9031

Sunny Bay Disposal (269) 964-7400 Les's Sanitary Service (269) 945-3134 www.lessanitaryservice.com

Waste Management (269) 969-7530 www.wm.com

Republic Waste Service (269) 373-4070 www.republicservices.com

RADON TESTING

What is Radon?

Radon is a naturally occurring colorless and odorless gas derived from the radioactive decay of the element radium. As radium disintegrates in bedrock and soils, it emits radioactive gas (radon) which permeates through the ground to the surface where it diffuses into the atmosphere.

Outdoors it is diluted to levels that offer relatively no health risk. However, if there is a strong enough radium source nearby and it is allowed to enter the interior of a home through common entry points in the basement, crawlspace, or slap foundation; then it can accumulate to higher levels, posing an increased health risk to those exposed.

How is Radon a health risk?

Long term exposure to elevated radon levels increases a person s risks of developing radon induced lung cancer; it is our nation s second leading cause of lung cancer.

What can you do to determine if Radon exists in your home?

Since you cannot see, smell, or taste radon gas, the only way you can detect it is by testing. Two common in-home radon testing devices readily available through the Barry-Eaton District Health Department are Charcoal Canisters, for short-term screening measurements (4-7 days) and Alpha Track Detectors, for long-term follow-up measurements (90-365 days). Both of these easy to use devices are exposed to the air in a home for a specified period of time, then resealed and mailed to a testing laboratory for analysis. January is Radon Action Month (RAM), during which short-term test kits are free.



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