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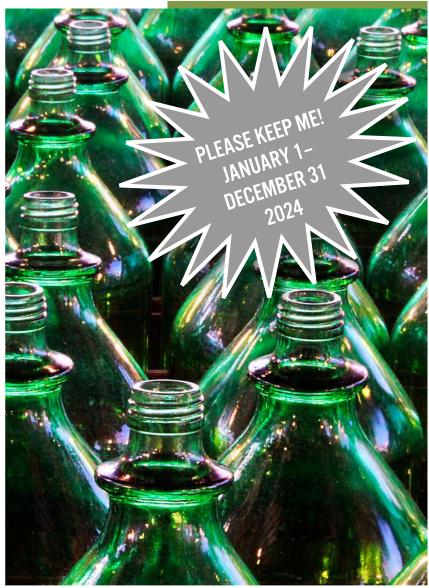




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In 1990, Wisconsin enacted a recycling law to help landfills last longer and to encourage reduction, reuse, and recycling of Wisconsin's solid waste. This recycling law bans many materials from Wisconsin's landfills, with the intent that such materials will instead be reused, recycled, or composted. A full list of these materials can be found on the WI Department of Natural Resources' website at: <u>https://dnr.wi.gov/topic/Recycling/law.html</u>.

This Recycling Guidebook contains helpful information relating to your refuse and recycling needs both in the Village and Town of Weston.

What to RECYCLE in your single-stream recycling cart

"Single-stream recycling" means putting ALL recyclable materials in one, single cart.

PAPER & CARDBOARD

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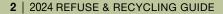


CONTAINERS EMPTY & RINSE, DO NOT FLATTEN



PLASTIC BOTTLES, TUBS, JUGS, JARS EMPTY & RINSE, DO NOT FLATTEN







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WESTON RECYCLING CARTS SHOULD <u>NOT</u> INCLUDE:



Aerosol Spray Cans



Plastic clamshell containers (such as those that hold berries)



Black plastic trays (such as frozen food trays)

More information on these changes can be found on pages 3–4.



TWO OPTIONS IF YOUR RECYCLABLES DO NOT ALL FIT IN YOUR CART

- Take your excess recyclables to Waste Management public Recycling 1. Drop-Off Center (5509 Fuller St.) during the following times:
 - Monday Friday: 8:00 a.m. 4:00 p.m
 - First Saturday of each month: 8:00 a.m. noon

To ensure the recycling being dropped off is coming only from eligible Village & Town of Weston residents and taxpayers, there is a check-in process. Just visit Waste Management's front office, and a staff member will direct you into the Recycling Drop-Off Center.

Take your excess recyclables to Marathon County Solid Waste 2. Department (172900 State Highway 29). They will accept recyclables from any residence or business in Marathon County, though a small fee may apply.

- Monday Friday: 7:00 a.m. 3:30 p.m.
- Saturdays (March November): 8:00 11:30 a.m.

PLEASE TAKE NOTE!

- 1. DON'T flatten your recyclables (except boxes).
- 2. Black plastics (like frozen food trays) are NOT recyclable.
- 3. Clamshell plastic containers (like those that hold berries) are **NOT** recyclable.
- 4. Spray cans, whether containing non-hazardous or hazardous material are **NOT** recyclable in Weston.

** Details on next page **

WHEN TO **CALL WASTE** MANAGEMENT

- If your refuse or recycling cart is broken, missing, or not emptied
- If you'd like to change the size of your refuse cart (only one size is available for recycling carts)
- If you need to arrange for a special pick-up for large items (fees will apply)

Waste Management can be reached at 888-960-0008 Monday-Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

IS YOUR CART IN DISREPAIR?

If either your refuse cart or • recycling cart is damaged (cracked, missing its lid, • missing wheels, etc.), all you need to do is contact Waste Management at 888-960-0008

- and let them know your cart
- is in disrepair.

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 Depending on the type of damage, they will either repair or replace your cart for FREE!



Please be aware that ONLY

RECYCLABLES are allowed in your

- 95-gallon recycling cart. If it's found
- that you have refuse in your recycling
- cart, Waste Management will not empty it. Similarly, if it's found that
- that you have recyclables in your
- refuse cart, Waste Management will not empty it.
- Please be aware that you can be
- fined for not properly recycling,
- as recycling is a State law. If you'd
- like to read Weston's Solid Waste
- Ordinance, you can find it online at: 2
- www.westonwi.gov/SolidWaste.

What you need to know about a MATERIAL RECOVERY FACILITY

When your recycling cart is emptied into the Waste Management recycling truck, materials are first taken to Waste Management's transfer station on Fuller Street. Their transfer station is divided into two sections: one is for trash and one is for recycling. The recycling truck will back into the recycling section, where it dumps the load of recyclables onto the floor. Other equipment then loads the recyclables into a semitruck, which then hauls the recycling to the **WM Germantown Material Recovery Facility (MRF).**

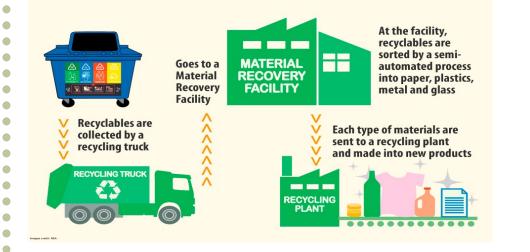
When the semi arrives to the MRF, the materials are dumped onto their tipping floor and then taken to the sorting line, where the materials are rapidly hand- and machine-sorted. Once sorted, materials are baled and shipped to recyclable buyers.

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The Director of Portage County Solid Waste, Amanda Haffele, oversees a nearby MRF. Amanda provided us with some helpful information for our residents, such as the following:

DON'T FLATTEN YOUR RECYCLABLES (EXCEPT BOXES)

The only recyclables that should be broken down are boxes. Plastic bottles, aluminum cans, and tin cans should be left whole so that the sorting machines can recognize their original shape. A small squeeze of a container isn't going to harm the sorting process. It's when they receive "roadkill flat" recyclables that it causes issues since such items are so flat that they can be mistakenly sorted as though they are paper when going through the sorting process at the MRF, and consequently they mistakenly end up in the paper bales, thus creating contamination.



BLACK PLASTICS (LIKE FROZEN FOOD TRAYS) ARE NOT RECYCLABLE.

Black plastic containers (such as those some frozen foods come in) are <u>NOT</u> recyclable. Black plastics are unreadable with the MRF's optical sorters and therefore — unless they are each pulled out by hand — they are not going to get sorted out as a recyclable material and will simply end up as trash. Black plastic is very undesirable because once it's colored black, whatever it gets shaped into can no longer be recycled.

CLAMSHELL PLASTIC CONTAINERS (LIKE THOSE THAT HOLD BERRIES) ARE NOT RECYCLABLE.

Even though the bottom of the container is labeled #1, which typically is an indicator that a material IS recyclable, PET clamshells are different than their cousin — the PET plastic bottle — because they've been changed on a molecular level. PET plastic bottles <u>CAN</u> be recycled into clamshells, but clamshells <u>CANNOT</u> be recycled into plastic bottles — the process doesn't work that way. (It has to do with how they're heated, molded, and made.) This is why clamshells aren't being recycled and are not desired by buyers. There's a manufacturer in Madison, WI, that makes clamshells, but they require two semi-truck loads per year worth of material in order to accept it.

AEROSOL SPRAY CANS (LIKE COOKING SPRAY, PAINTS, CLEANERS, ETC.) ARE NOT RECYCLABLE.

These containers are pressurized and partially full cans can become very dangerous if they get punctured during the sorting process.

If you have some 100% empty aerosol cans, there are some scrap metal dealers out there that may take them. Please know that Yaeger's Auto Salvage does not accept those.

Just a few HOLIDAY REMINDERS

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2024 HOLIDAY REFUSE & RECYCLING PICK-UP SCHEDULE

Waste Management will be closed in recognition of the following holidays, which fall on weekdays:

- New Year's Day
 January 1
- Memorial Day
 May 27
- Independence Day July 4
- Labor Day September 2
- Thanksgiving Day November 28
- Christmas Day
 December 25

On these holidays, refuse and recycling collection for the remainder of that week will occur one day later (i.e., if Waste Management is closed on a Thursday, then Thursday's pick-up will occur on Friday, and Friday's pick-up will occur on Saturday).

The 2024 Recycling Pick-Up Schedule can be found on pages 18 and 19.

For questions, call the Municipal Center at 715-359-6114.

WRAPPING PAPER

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CHRISTMAS TREE COLLECTION

Waste Management will be collecting properly set out Christmas Trees.

- In order to have your tree picked up, it needs to be cut in half, and no longer than 4 feet in length.
- Waste Management has scheduled 4 collection dates to occur, which will be "route" based.



- If your garbage is typically collected on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Fridays, Waste Management will collect trees set out on January 17th and January 31st.
- If your garbage is typically collected on Wednesdays and Thursdays, Waste Management will collect trees set out on January 18th and February 1st.
- A map illustrating when the collections will occur can be found on the Village's website:

https://westonwi.gov/848/Christmas-Tree-Collection.

- If your tree did not get picked up on the dates noted above, please contact Valerie Parker, at 715-241-2607, or email <u>vparker@westonwi.gov</u>, right away.
- If you do not want to wait to have your tree collected, you can deliver it to Marathon County Solid Waste Department (a.k.a. Ringle Landfill), 172900 State Highway 29, Ringle; however, they do charge a \$10.00 fee.

WHAT TO DO WITH BURNT OUT HOLIDAY LIGHTS?

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 Did you know that Habitat for Humanity collects unwanted (working and nonworking) holiday lights? Rather than throw those unwanted lights out, please
 consider donating them.

They have many drop-off locations throughout the County,

- with Weston locations being: Habitat for Humanity
- ReStore, Associated Bank, Pick'n Save, Intercity State
 Bank, People's State Bank, and Abby Bank.

Questions? Contact Habitat for Humanity, 1810 Schofield Avenue, 715-848-5042, or email store@habitatwausau.org for more information.

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Unless the wrapping paper looks and feels like actual paper, **it most likely is <u>NOT</u> recyclable**; same with gift bags. Wrapping paper that looks like foil actually contains metals and is not recyclable. The "crinkly" wrapping paper is made of a type of cellophane (or other plastic) and is also not recyclable. Following the mad rush of opening gifts, please be careful what you put in your recycling cart this holiday season. Consider saving and reusing wrapping paper for your next gift-giving event. Or Marathon County Solid Waste Department has some handy alternative gift-wrap ideas: <u>www.marathoncountysolidwaste.org/holiday-waste</u>.

Check out the latest NEWS & INFORMATION

SOLID WASTE ORDINANCE

Weston's Chapter 66, Solid Waste Ordinance, was recently revised. We encourage all Weston residents to familiarize themselves with this document by visiting <u>www.westonwi.gov/RefuseRecycling-Guidelines</u>; by emailing Valerie Parker at <u>vparker@westonwi.gov</u>; by picking up a paper copy at the Weston Municipal Center, or by calling the Village office, to request that a paper copy be mailed to you.

MEMBER OF AROW

The Village of Weston became a member of AROW (Associated Recyclers of Wisconsin) in 2019. Some of the benefits of being a member include:

- Access to shared resources and educational materials
- Participation in discussion groups that address questions and/or share information regarding bid proposals, local ordinances, policy issues, and educational campaigns
- Ability to guide and advance AROW's initiatives by working with their Advisory Committees
- Helping to influence state-wide resource management legislation and/or policy makers
- Building important contacts through strategic networking opportunities

AROW created their **RecycleRightWisconsin.org** program, which aims to bring together communities across Wisconsin to prevent valuable recyclables from going to waste in our landfills. To achieve this goal, they're providing education on the benefits of recycling and the opportunities to recycle at home, work, school,

and all public places. Visit their website (<u>www.recyclemorewisconsin.org</u>) to learn more and find helpful tips on recycling!





While sometimes your materials ARE going into one truck, be rest assured your recyclables are NOT getting mixed in with your garbage in the truck. One of the trucks that is sometimes used is called a "split bodied" truck, where there are two separate compartments in the truck. One compartment (or side) is designated for recyclables and the other compartment is designated for garbage.

If you watch the driver closely, you will see that he/she will first dump one of your containers into the truck, then a lever is pulled which flips a plate that then closes off the first compartment and opens the other compartment; and then the driver can dump the other cart, keeping your garbage and recyclables separate. As you watch the truck leave, you can see better how the truck is divided, as you should be able to see two back doors.

Waste Management may use two separate trucks from time to time also.

GET WESTON'S BETTERBIN RECYCLING APP!

Wonder what goes in your Weston recycling carts? Want recycling pickup reminders? Join the hundreds of Weston residents using our Betterbin app! With the app you're able to scan a product's UPC barcode or text search for any product to get product-specific recycling instructions for the Weston recycling program. You even earn points toward gift cards with each scan! Find Betterbin in the App Store or Google Play, or scan the QR code to get the app.

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WESTON'S ADOPT-A-STREET / ADOPT-A-PARK PROGRAM

We would like to give a huge THANK YOU to the following volunteer groups that came out this year and volunteered their time by cleaning up certain roadside areas and parks:

DC Everest FBLA Club



Led by Jennifer Gipp, whose group cleaned up along Alderson Street, from the STH-29 overpass to Schofield Avenue, along with at Kenney Park, in October.

HOSTING A **SPECIAL EVENT? DON'T FORGET ABOUT RECYCLING!**

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If you're hosting a special event, whether it be a large public event or private event, don't forget to recycle. Everyone has trash



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containers that get set out; but what about recycling containers? How do you make it obvious to your guests which container is which?

Marathon County Solid Waste Department offers Clear Stream Recycling Containers – FREE for event hosts to borrow!

Along with the container (as pictured), you'll be provided with clear bags to use at your event. All you have to do is call Marathon County Solid Waste at 877-270-2989 in advance of your event to reserve your containers and bags. Simply pick up the containers and drop them back off when finished. It's THAT easy. So be sure to recycle at your next event!

Cub Scout Pack 436



Led by Heather Schlesser, whose group cleaned up along the Mountain-Bay Trail area, outside the Mountain-Bay Elementary School, in both May and October.

Cub Scout Pack 435 - Bear Den



Led by Theresa Spranger, during the month of January 2023, this energetic and eager group of kids came out and volunteered their time for a day at Kellyland Park, picking up downed branches along the wooded areas near the entrance of the Dog Park and by the picnic shelter.

WHAT DO I GET FOR MY REFUSE/RECYCLING FEE?

Property owners of single-family homes up to 4-unit apartments (on 1 tax parcel) are billed an annual refuse/recycling special charge on their property tax bill. Currently, the annual fee is calculated at \$167.00 per residential unit.

For those properties who are charged this amount, this special charge covers the costs of several benefits available to you:

- Weekly curbside refuse (garbage) collection and every-other-week single-stream recycling collection
- Spring and fall roadside vard waste collection and the open vard waste site (8200 Ryan St.) for yard waste drop-off
- Spring and fall bulk-item drop-off events (May and October), allowing you to drop off your large bulky items - at no additional cost - during the scheduled events
- Weston Recycling Drop-Off Center (for your excess recyclables) at Waste Management (5509 Fuller St.), which is open Monday - Friday (8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.) and the first Saturday of each month (8:00 a.m. - noon)
- Expert resources from Marathon County Solid Waste Department to answer any and all of your refuse or recycling questions through their Recycling Hotline 715-344-8198.
- Printed annual Refuse & Recycling Guide (also available at www.westonwi.gov/RefuseRecyclingGuidelines)

What to do with... **THE FOLLOWING ITEMS**

For a more detailed list go to Marathon County Solid Waste Departments website: narathoncountysolidwaste.org/where-to-put-it

PLASTIC BAGS

Plastic bags should NOT be placed in your recycling cart. Not only do they get loose and blow

around in the community, but they also get tangled up in the equipment used to manage recyclables. Please consider recycling your plastic bags by taking them to Weston Pick 'n Save, Target, or Festival Foods; as they have recycling bins at the front of their stores specifically for collecting plastic bags. Or, consider donating them to places like Goodwill, the Humane Society, or child daycare facilities.

SHARPS

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Marathon County Solid Waste (172900 State HWY 29, Ringle) will accept used sharps free of charge, at their hazardous waste facility, provided they are placed within a commercial sharps container (which can be found at most pharmacies) or placed in a heavy plastic detergent or bleach bottle with a screw-on cap. Do NOT use milk jugs or other thin plastic containers! You can also find a list of registered sharps collection locations by visiting the following Wisconsin DNR website: dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/ healthwaste/householdsharps.html

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LEAD-ACID BATTERIES & USED MOTOR OIL

Currently, Waste

Management will collect these curbside, following arrangements being made with their office to schedule the pick up (888-960-0008).

Because this collection service may be discontinued, other options for disposal include:

- Lead-acid batteries can be taken
- to Northern Battery, 3607 Schofield
- Avenue, where they will accept
- those for free (and may even give you a couple of bucks for them). Another option is to take them out to
- Marathon County
- Solid Waste Department (a.k.a. Ringle Landfill); however, they do charge
- \$2.00/pound for those.

Use motor oil and filters can be taken to places like O'Reilly Auto Parts, along with other general automotive fluids (such as transmission and steering fluids). However, it is best to contact these businesses to verify. You can also take used motor oil to Marathon County Solid Waste Department's Household Hazardous Waste building for free disposal.

EXCESS TRASH TO DISPOSE OF?

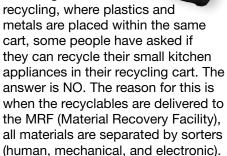
If you have excess trash to dispose of (due to holidays or a party), if you need to get rid of it sooner, and do not want to hold onto that until your next weekly collection day, you can take it to Marathon County Solid Waste Department (a.k.a. Ringle Landfill) and dispose of it all for a fee of \$35.00 (covers up to 1,000 pounds of material).

Another option is to purchase garbage stickers from the Village of Weston. A sticker costs \$1.50. You just need to stick it onto the outside of your trash bag and set it next to your garbage cart on your collection day. Waste Management will only collect excess bags set out that have a purchased garbage sticker on them.

SMALL KITCHEN **APPLIANCES**

With single-stream





- The sorters would have to physically
- take these appliances apart in order to
- separate them, which is not practical
- or feasible. For this reason, small
- kitchen appliances can be take to Yaeger Auto Salvage for recycling, free of charge

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STYROFOAM

Styrofoam is the second most misplaced item we find in the recycling carts.

The large white pieces of Styrofoam can be recycled, but not in our recycling carts. We recommend you take

- these to Styrene Products (see add
- on page 15). Styrene Products only
 - accepts certain foam products during
- their office hours, Mon.-Thurs., 6am-
- 2pm; see the article on page 15.

Please know that the small pieces (like packaging peanuts and food containers) are not recyclable and should be sealed up in a plastic bag and thrown in the trash (unless you can reuse those for your own packaging needs).

AEROSOL CANS

Aerosol cans (even if empty) are not to go in the recycling bin. These are permitted to go within your refuse cart.

OUTDATED/UNWANTED PRESCRIPTION MEDICATION

Everest Metro Police Department (5303 Mesker St.) has a secure drop

box in their lobby, where you can drop off your unwanted/outdated prescription medication-no questions asked. Combine all medication into one ziplock bag and simply drop the packaged medication into the drop box. Please note that needles and chemotherapy drugs are NOT accepted in this drop box.

FLUORESCENT LIGHT BULBS

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Because Compact Florescent Lamp (CFL) light bulbs contain mercury, they are considered hazardous waste. A few places that accept CFL bulbs, but charge a small fee, are Marathon **County Solid Waste Department, and** Batteries Plus Bulbs in Rib Mountain.

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SCRAP METAL

If you have scrap metal items to dispose of, Yaeger Auto Salvage (8205 Camp Phillips Rd.) will accept scrap metal year-round. Please refer to the Yaeger Auto Salvage insert on page 16 for more information, or call them at 715-359-3606.

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USED COOKING OIL

Marathon County Solid Waste (172900 State HWY 29, Ringle) will accept used cooking oil for recycling. There are also many restaurants that will accept used cooking oil, for recycling. If you need to dispose of the cooking oil in your trash, consider adding kitty litter or some other type of oil absorbent prior to tossing it in your refuse cart.

KEEPING PAPER & CARDBOARD OUT OF THE TRASH!

During our 2019 summer and fall Waste Audit Events, it was found that residents were continuing to place paper and cardboard materials in their refuse (instead of recycling) carts. We certainly understand that people may be concerned about privacy issues, and perhaps that's why these are ending up in the refuse carts. If privacy is a concern, please consider:

- Shredding your paper—Please place the shreds in a paper (NOT plastic) bag; do not dump loose shredded paper into your recycling cart. You can tape or staple the bag of shreds closed and either deliver your bag to Waste Management (recycling collection area) or place the taped/stapled bag in your recycling cart. If you have a friend with a farm, shredded paper makes for great animal bedding!
- Reducing the amount of junk mail you receive -- There are several websites you can visit to opt out of receiving junk mail. Simply search "How to Stop Junk Mail" online to find many sites to choose from.
- See next page on Paper Shredding Event
- Please know that the employees at the recycling sorting facilities (known as Material Recovery Facilities, or MRFs) are moving through the materials at a high rate of speed and don't have time to read your junk mail.



Finally, do not bundle your paper or cardboard with any kind of ties or straps, as they will get tangled in the equipment used to manage recyclables. The best way to keep your paper or cardboard material contained is by placing them in paper (NOT plastic) bags before placing them in your recycling cart.

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HOUSEHOLD BATTERY DISPOSAL

Household / Alkaline Batteries (AAA. AA, C, D, 6V, 9V) are not hazardous and can be placed in the regular garbage; however, they can be recycled at the Marathon County Solid Waste Department and Batteries Plus Bulbs to

- recover their materials. We encourage you to call the locations in advance to learn
- what they accept and if there is a charge.



There are some types of batteries (such as button batteries, Ni-Cd, lead acid, silver oxide) that may be considered hazardous and need to be disposed of properly. These hazardous batteries can be brought to Marathon County Solid Waste Department's Household Hazardous Waste Facility. Please be aware that the ends of certain batteries may need to be covered with tape to reduce fire hazards. All batteries should be sorted by size & type, and stored in plastic bags. You can visit Marathon County Solid Waste Department's Battery Recycling & Disposal flyer for specific battery disposal, which can be found by visiting their website: https://www.marathoncountysolidwaste.org/batteries

Mark your Calendar 2024 CLEAN-UP EVENTS

YARD MATERIALS PICK-UP SPRING & FALL

The Spring Yard Materials Pick-Up generally occurs beginning the second week of **May**, and the Fall Yard Materials Pick-Up generally occurs beginning the second week of **October**. Please watch our website or contact the Village of Weston office closer to that time period for updates. Yard materials can be taken directly to the Weston Yard Materials Site (8200 Ryan St.), where you can dispose of your yard materials at a time that is convenient to you. Please be aware that only Weston residents who pay the special Refuse & Recycling charge on their property tax bill are eligible to use the Weston Yard Materials Site. Accessibility (hours and those permitted) may be limited in the near future to reduce the amount of illegal dumping of garbage occurring on this property. If you're at the site and witness someone throwing garbage in the yard waste dumpsters or leaving garbage on the ground, please take note of their vehicle and license plate number and contact Everest Metro Police Department.

ELECTRONICS RECYCLING EVENTS SPRING & FALL

The Village will be holding a spring and fall electronic recycling events in 2024: **May 15th and October 2nd**

Both will be held behind the Weston Municipal Center, during the hours of 3:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

The crew from <u>RecycleThatStuff.com</u> will be here to collect all your unwanted electronics, ranging from small toasters to large TVs. Most small appliances will be free of charge, but some larger electronics (such as TVs) will require you to pay a small fee. Event flyers listing the prices for chargeable items will be available at <u>www.westonwi.gov/Refuse-</u> <u>Recycling</u>, as we get closer to the event. You do not need to be a Weston resident to participate in this event.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- To be guaranteed pick-up of your refuse and recycling, you must have your carts placed out at the edge of your property by 6:00 a.m. the morning of your refuse and recycling collection day.
- Refuse and recycling carts are to be removed from the right-of-way (curbside/boulevard area) within 12 hours of collection time.
- To prevent carts from being an obstruction to snowplows, carts are prohibited from being placed within the roadway. The Village will <u>NOT</u> be responsible for carts that are damaged due to being struck by Village snowplows.

COMMUNITY PAPER SHREDDING EVENTS SPRING & FALL

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The Village of Weston is working again with IROW to host community paper shredding events. Due to popular demand, in 2024, we are holding spring and fall events, and you do not need to be a Weston resident to participate in this event!

The 2024 events will be held on: May 8th and October 9th

Both will be held behind the Weston Municipal Center, during the hours of 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

IROW staff will be here to collect your unwanted papers, which will be immediately placed into their secure trucks, where following the event, will be hauled directly to their licensed facility for destruction.

BULK-ITEM DROP-OFF

The annual spring and fall Bulk-Item Drop-Offs are set to occur May 16-18 and October 3-5 at Waste Management (5509 Fuller St.). Items that will be accepted include: non-metal items, furniture, carpeting, scrap lumber, mattresses, and glass windows. Proof of a Weston address will be required, and we may limit residents to 2 or 3 trips.

SPRING DROP-OFF Hours

FALL DROP-OFF HOURS Thurs, October 3

Thurs., May 16 8:00 a.m-4:00 p.m.

Fri., May 17 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. **Fri., October 4** 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Sat., May 18 8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Sat., October 5 8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

- **Carts should not be overfilled.** Overfilled carts can lead to your garbage and/or recyclables blowing out on windy days, or can lead to spills when the Waste Management driver is trying to empty it. The Waste Management drivers have the authority to choose not to empty a cart that is overflowing. Garbage stickers can be purchased at the Weston Municipal Center for \$1.50 each (per bag), if needed. Excess <u>recycling</u> can be taken to Waste Management's site during their office hours.
- Keep trash in the trash, and be sure to recycle appropriate materials.

Marathon County SOLID WASTE DEPARTMENT

Marathon County Solid Waste, located at **172900 State HWY 29** in **Ringle**, is a great resource for all your refuse and recycling questions. Check out their website: <u>www.marathoncountysolidwaste.org</u>. If you do not have Internet access, please call **715-344-8198** for expert advice on where to dispose of items.

FREE "LEFTOVER" HOUSEHOLD SUPPLIES!

Need a little paint, some degreaser, or lawn fertilizer?

When people bring in their unwanted paint, cleaners, fertilizers, etc., the Marathon County Household Hazardous Waste facility will stock partially filled containers on their "Choose to Reuse" shelf to be given away FREE to people who have a need for them. When the shelf gets full, a picture and list of these free items are posted on Craigslist, and anyone can then take them home.

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Stop in and see what's on the shelf today... You'd be surprised by the valuable items they have. Call 715-344-8198 to inquire about what's available.

See page 17 to view the Marathon County Solid Waste Department Household Hazardous Materials Collection Program flyer to find out what they accept.

HOME COMPOSTING

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Composting ("recycling") your yard, garden, and kitchen waste is the easiest and cheapest way of taking responsibility for some of your own waste. Did you know that food and yard waste make up 25 – 30% of our solid waste nationwide?

The BEST place to compost is in our own backyards! Composting meets the criteria of the three Rs: reduce, reuse, and recycle. Through composting, the amount of waste sent to the landfill is reduced, the organic matter is reused, and it is recycled into a useful soil additive.

If you're interested in learning more about home composting and/or would like to purchase a compost bin, please contact Marathon County Solid Waste at 715-344-8198. Also, be sure to reference the Village of Weston's Solid Waste Residential Composting ordinance (available at: <u>www.westonwi.</u> <u>gov/RefuseRecycling-Guidelines</u>) to ensure proper implementation and use (Chapter 66.121).

WHAT CAN YOU Compost?

- Food scraps
- Egg shells
- Coffee grounds & filters
- Tea bags (of natural materials, not synthetic or rayon)
- Loose leaf tea
- Toothpicks
- Unwaxed, soiled cardboard pizza boxes (ripped up into smaller pieces)
- Paper bags (ripped up into smaller pieces)
- Soiled paper napkins & paper towels

DID YOU KNOW THE ITEMS LISTED BELOW ARE ACCEPTED & RECYCLED AT MARATHON COUNTY SOLID WASTE?!

Concrete

Asphalt chunks

- Pallets
- Stumps & large tree trunks
- Yard materials
- Asphalt shingles

WHY RECYCLE SHINGLES? Research has found that adding five (5) percent ground asphalt shingles to the hot-mix for paving and repairing roads improves its performance and makes it hold up better than a hot-mix without the ground-up shingles.

- 2024 SPRING HOME
- **COMPOST BIN SALES**
- Marathon County Solid Waste
- Department will be holding their
- annual Spring Home Compost Bin
- Sale, which typically runs March/
- April through the beginning of May.
- The Village of Weston participates
- in this event by being a "host"
- site where people who purchase
- compost bins during the sale can
- pick up their bins.

- In 2023, the County continued to
- receive an overwhelming response
 - from the bin sales, where they
- sold out their entire stock! This
- is an indicator that more people are showing an interest in home
 - composting! Announcements will be posted on

our social media sites as we get closer to this event.

America Recycles Day NOVEMBER 15 AND EVERY DAY!!!

For the last several years, the Village of Weston has been partnering with Marathon County Solid Waste Department and Recycling Connections to hold a recycling contest, called "What's In Your Bin?". This contest runs annually during the month of November, in recognition of the official November 15th America Recycles Day holiday.

During the month of November, residents show off their recycling skills by submitting pictures of their filled single-stream recycling carts. Those who submit pictures get their names entered into a drawing for a prize. Prize options have consisted of:

- Flat Screened Smart TV (generally 55"), which is purchased by Marathon County Solid Waste Department, or
- One of several \$25.00 retail gift cards, which is purchased by the Village of Weston.
- This year, we received a wonderful turn-out of photo submissions (a total of 41)! Let's make this an even better event next year!

Watch for a similar event to occur in 2024.

Congratulations to the lucky winners of the 55" TV, Danny and Nancy Newville. Congratulations to all the gift card winners!







Shell Station Jerry Baumann



Danny and Nancy Newville



Festival Foods Julia Leszczynski



Kwik Trip LeAnn & Eric Montag



Target Dick Korpela



Weston



The Future of Recycling Starts Here! Walker Buhr, Age 12

We hope this acts as an incentive to continue to recycle right!

Recycling Cart REMINDERS

CART PLACEMENT

Please place your recycling cart on the opposite side of your driveway as your refuse (garbage) cart on pick-up day. If this is not possible, **please keep at least 4 feet of space in between the two carts** to allow enough room for the mechanical hand on Waste Management's truck to reach around the cart so it can be picked up and emptied without disturbing your other cart. **Please do <u>NOT</u> place carts in the roadway, as they will create a hazard to traffic and will be at risk of getting struck by a snowplow.** The Village of Weston will not be responsible for refuse and recycling carts damaged due to being struck by snowplows.

RECOMMENDED CART PLACEMENT



- Place carts on either side of the driveway (pictured here) or on the same side with at least 4 feet between carts.
- To prevent accidental mailbox damage, keep 4 feet between the cart and your mailbox.

Further examples of "how to" and "how not to" place your carts can be found on the Village of Weston's website: www.westonwi.gov/Refuse-Recycling.

While we understand that you may face some challenges with the placement of your carts during the winter months, we ask that you consider the following ideas:

- Only place your refuse cart out on non-recycling weeks.
- Shovel an area of your snowbank to allow one (or both) of your carts to be located on the boulevard.

DID YOU KNOW...

You can bring clothing, like old, tattered, non-salable t-shirts, to Goodwill, where those shirts will be sent to their facility in Appleton and processed into rags? Next time you have a torn shirt and are thinking of throwing it in the trash, consider taking it to Goodwill!

Good News Project, 1106 North 5th Street, Wausau, accepts electronics for recycling. Call their office to for their current fee schedule, or visit their website: https://www.goodnewswi.com/. They are open Fridays from 9am - 4pm, and can be reached at 715-843-5985, Mon. - Fri., 9am - 4pm.

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Marathon County Solid Waste Department (a.k.a. Ringle Landfill), located at 172900 State Highway 29, in Ringle, is a great resource for people to consider if they have large amounts of trash or large bulky items to dispose of. The cost to dispose of material is very reasonable (as of 11/29/2023, for loads weighing less than 1,000 pounds, the cost is only \$35.00).

Also, if you have excess recyclables to dispose of, you can bring those there (for a small fee).







HOURS:

THURSDAY & FRIDAY 10AM - 4PM SATURDAY 9AM – 1PM

DONATION HOURS:

TUESDAY 8AM – NOON THURSDAY 8AM – 4PM FRIDAY 8AM – 4PM SATURDAY 9AM – 1PM

| | YES PLEASE! Donations Accepted | No Thank you. Please Donate Elsewhere | | | | |
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| Appliances | Washers & electric dryers Electric stoves & drop-in ranges Range hoods Refrigerators & freezers Microwaves & counter top appliances Must be 100% working condition | Dishwashers Gas fireplaces and appliances Furnaces Air conditioners & dehumidifiers Built-in ovens Garbage disposals NON-WORKING appliances | | | | |
| Cabinets & Countertops | Kitchen and bath cabinets Doors and drawers Counter tops (4ft+ length) | Excessive damage Dirt and mold Counter tops < 4 ft in usable length | | | | |
| Doors | Interior, exterior, & stormPatio doors with frame | Doors with major damageHollow core doors | | | | |
| Windows | Insulated glass with sashes & frames Single pane windows | Parts, sashes, screens Used windows larger than 5'x5' Damage or foggy glass Unframed glass | | | | |
| Electrical | Residential electrical supplies Complete lighting fixtures Fans and ceiling fans Lamps | Fluorescent fixtures Light bulbs Tubes | | | | |
| Plumbing | Kitchen and bath sinks Fiberglass and claw-foot tubs. New toilets (1.6 gal or less) Faucets New shower and tub doors | Items with chips, stains, or rust Used toilets Used shower or tub doors | | | | |
| Flooring | New carpet & rugs New vinyl flooring (50+ sq ft) Hardwood & laminate Tile | Used carpet or padding Used vinyl flooring Flooring with nails | | | | |
| Hardware | Nails, screws, nuts, bolts | | | | | |
| Furniture | Wood furniture: tables, chairs shelving, buffets, dressers Bed frames & headboards | Upholstered Infant/toddler furniture Entertainment centers Mattresses &box springs | | | | |
| Tools | Hand & gardening Power tools with battery & charger | Tools not in working condition Missing battery and/or charger. | | | | |
| Wood | Baseboard, casing, & molding Framing lumber Sheeting and paneling > 4'x4'. | Wood with nails or concrete Scrap wood Plywood/OSB < 4'x4' or 2'x8'. | | | | |
| Building Materials | Architectural elements Mantels & columns Framed stained or leaded glass Shutters Landscape block Paving brick Shingles New siding | Items in a state of disrepair, broken, or missing parts Structural damage Water damage or mold Used siding and accessories | | | | |
| Miscellaneous | Wallpaper Home decor Scrap metal Christmas lights and décor Mirrors Antiques in overall good condition. | Ladders Step ladders Window Treatments Chemicals Paint, stain, varnish, or caulk. Pet food Clothing Food Toys Electronics Exercise equipment Musical instruments Medical equipment Car seats Used safety equipment Unframed, chipped, cloudy, or discolored mirrors and glass | | | | |

*Habitat has the right upon visual inspection to refuse items that will not sell well in our store or fit for recycling

Goodwill NCW

2713 Schofield Avenue | Weston, WI 54476 152500 Morning Glory Lane | Wausau, WI 54401 715-355-6086 | weston@goodwillncw.org 715-355-9452 | ribmountain@goodwillncw.org

Please consider donating your gently-used items to Goodwill NCW, a non-profit who provides pathways for people who are underserved and disadvantaged, who have a goal of building skills that lead to sustainable employment and improved financial stability. Your donations not only help keep items out of the landfills, but also makes an impact on neighbors in your community.

Please visit www.goodwillncw.org to learn more about Goodwill,

including details on what donations they can and can't accept.



www.goodwillncw.org

Marathon County Solid Waste Department Rates & Fees ALL RATES & FEES SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE As of 02-28-2023 172900 STATE HWY 29, RINGLE, WI 54471 www.marathoncountysolidwaste.org LANDFILL DISPOSAL **PAYMENT OPTIONS** For questions about: Special Wastes, / General Wastes / Furniture-Mattresses / Contaminated Soils, Asbestos, / Cash / Check / and/or Animal Carcasses, / Mixed Construction & Demolition / / Credit or Debit Cards / please call: / Bathroom Fixtures / Tree Stumps / (VISA, Discover, MC, Amer. Express) 715-446-3101 x103 Loads < 1,000 lbs. Scale Office: Minimum Fees Car / SUV / light truck \$35 SW Dept. Director: 715-551-5864 HOURS NEW ! \$45 715-297-0429 Trailer-full, only Operations Mngr: Monday - Friday 7am - <u>3 pm</u>! Solid Waste & Recycling Vehicle with trailer \$55 Sat. (April - Nov.) 8 -11:30am **Information Line** CLOSED: Sunday, Holidays, & Public Gate Rate Loads > 1,000 lbs Saturday (Dec.- March) \$56 Per Ton (prorated): 715-344-8198 RECYCLING EACH. or as EACH. or as listed listed APPLIANCES **CONSTRUCTION & DEMOLITION** Per Ton: \$20 Concrete / Boilers / Dishwasher / Dryer / Furnace / \$25 \$40 Garbage disposal / Microwave / Oven / Stove / Shingles Per Ton: Trash compactor / Washer / Water heater / ELECTRONICS **APPLIANCES w/ FREON** MISC: computers/CPU/laptop/fax/monitor/scanner \$25 \$30 / Air conditioner / Dehumidifier / Freezer / \$35 Television: portable -32" or less /Refrigerator / Water cooler / Television: portable larger than 32" \$40 \$50 Felevision: console AUTOMOTIVE \$40 Copiers: desktop Tire: Light truck/automotive \$12 LRG. various: commercial printers & gaming units \$40 Tire: Semi-truck/trailer \$35 SML. various: VCR, gaming unit, tablets \$20 Tire: Tractor/heavy equipment \$45 LIGHT BULBS / MISCELLANEOUS Used Motor oil N/C \$0.75 Non-PCB Ballast Used Oil filter N/C Antifreeze N/C PCB Ballast \$10 \$0.75 Fluorescent lighting (CFL) BATTERIES: MUST BE SORTED BY TYPES, & SIZES! Fluorescent lighting (4' tubes, circular, u-shaped) \$0.75 \$2 Lead-Acid / Ni-Cad / Ni-Mh Per Pound: Fluorescent lighting (over 4-foot) \$1.50 Alkaline (household) N/C HID/Sodium \$2.00 Lithium (Li-Ion) Per Pound: \$5 LED \$3 Addl. Sorting Fee \$1 Scrap Metals, including Propane tanks (empty) Per Pound: N/C Addl. Taping Fee* Per Pound: \$1 Yard materials / small brush Per Ton: \$25.00 * Terminals/ends MUST be taped for these battery types: MIXED RECYCLABLES Ni-Cad / Ni-MH / Lithium / Cardboard / Newspaper / Magazines / Mixed paper / / Aluminum & Steel cans / Plastic & Glass bottles or jars / Home Composter™ compost bin: \$55 Car load \$10 Stainless-steel Kitchen Katcher compost pail: \$25 Fruck load \$15 Call the Info. Line at 715-344-8198 ! Fruck/trailer load \$25

Styrene Products, Inc.

Custom Foam Design & Fabrication

5320 Fuller Street | Weston, WI 54476 www.styreneproducts.com customerservice@styreneproducts.com 715-359-6600

You can drop off your **WHITE** expanded polystyrene (ESP) packaging foam at the plant facility loading dock Monday – Thursday, between 6:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. (no weekend drop-offs). Stop in the office, or press the door buzzer by the overhead door, to check in and where someone will come out to verify your material is acceptable.

Before dropping off your EPS foam for recycling, please make sure it is clean, dry, and free of all debris (such as dirt, grease, tape, plastic film, labels, cardboard, loose parts, or glue). **Packaging peanuts and foam food containers are NOT accepted**.

Styrene Products, Inc., is located just off Schofield Avenue, on Fuller Street, behind the Weston Lanes Bowling Alley and across from Waste Management. Look for the black & red "Styrene Products" sign and follow the driveway and signs to the office.





8205 Camp Phillips Road | Weston, WI 54476 715-359-3606 | <u>www.yaegerauto.com</u>

> Monday – Friday: 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Saturday: 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Yaeger Auto Salvage currently accepts the following free of charge:

•Scrap metal items (ex: bicycles, bed frames, metal shelving, metal lawn furniture, exercise equipment, gas grills without the LP tank, lawn mowers, etc.)

- Stoves
- Washers
- Dryers
- Residential furnaces
- Water heaters
- Dishwashers
- Garbage disposals

- •Stereos
- Microwaves
- Vacuums
- Computers
- Printers
- Drain oil
- •Oil filters

Yaeger Auto Salvage will accept the following items, but <u>may charge a fee</u>*:

Appliances

- Ballasts, fluorescents lights
- •Freezers, refrigerators, water coolers
- Dehumidifiers
- Ammonia refrigerators, room air conditioners
- •Household central -air units
- Commercial appliances

Tires**

- Lawnmower tires
- Trailer tires, motorcycles tires
- •Automotive tires, small truck tires (with or without rims)
- Heavy truck and semi tires (with or without rims)
- •Loader or tractor tires (no solid tires)

Sealed Containers

- •Any drained, non-hazardous container (oil, gas, tar, antifreeze)
- Non-refillable LP tanks, Freon bottles
- Refillable LP tanks (20# and 100#)
- •275-gallon basement fuel tanks

<u>Computer Monitors</u> <u>Televisions</u> NiCad Batteries

*Contact Yaeger Auto Salvage in advance for fees. **Truckloads accepted at per-ton prices.

The following items are <u>NOT</u> accepted at Yaeger Auto Salvage

- Any container that previously contained hazardous waste (chemicals, poisons, radioactive materials, etc.)
- Paint cans

Contact Marathon County Hazardous Waste Facility at 715-446-3101 (ext. 103) for disposal options and fees.

Household Hazardous Waste Collection Program

This Program is Open to

Marathon County Residents.

No fee is charged, but identification may be required.

Qualifying residents and businesses from other counties may use our services, but will pay full cost. Call 715-446-3101 x103 for price estimates.

Please Note: Other counties may offer reimbursements for this service. Check locally.

TYPICAL ITEMS ACCEPTED:

~Poisons ~Flammable / Oil-based items ~Solvents ~Chemicals ~Pesticides / Insecticides

HOUSEHOLD / MISCELLANEOUS

Degreasers Drain cleaners Mildew cleaners Varnish Turpentine Aerosol paints Floor polish Mineral spirits Solvents Ether cleaning solvents Gun cleaners Nail polish removers Pool chemicals Photography chemicals Metal cleaners Oil-based paints Rat / mice / ant poison

AUTOMOTIVE

Fuel Antifreeze

Oil / gas mixtures Automotive paints

YARD / OUTDOORS

Fungicides Insecticides Paving tar Herbicides Fertilizer Insect repellent

Contact Us:Marathon County Solid Waste Dept.
172900 State Hwy 29, Ringle, WI 54471Visit Us:www.marathoncountysolidwaste.orgInfo Line:715-344-8198



Available weekdays, year-round, but by APPOINTMENT ONLY!

To schedule appointments book online at www.marathoncountysolidwaste.org/ household-hazardous-materials or call 715-344-8198.

NOT ACCEPTED with this program! Ammunition

Compressed fuel cylinders (recycle as scrap *metal*)

Explosives ~ Freon ~ Latex Paint Water-based stains or caulks

Fire Extinguishers (*if empty take to landfill to recycle as scrap metal for free*) Radioactive materials

Medications ~ Pharmaceuticals (take to a Medication Dropbox at police stations) <u>Empty</u> Aerosol Cans *(remove lids and*

recycle as scrap metal)



2024 RECYCLING PICK-UP SCHEDULE

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Recycling pick-up week

Waste Management closed for the holiday (your refuse/recycling will be picked up a day late) Recyclables are to be set out with the refuse and will be picked up on the same day as refuse on alternating weeks.

2024 RECYCLING PICK-UP SCHEDULE

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VILLAGE OF WESTON 4747 CAMP PHILLIPS ROAD WESTON, WI 54476



Local Postal Customer

VILLAGE OF WESTON MUNICIPAL CENTER

Address: 4747 Camp Phillips Road, Weston, WI 54476 Office Hours: 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (Monday – Friday) General Information: 715-359-6114 Website: www.westonwi.gov

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

| Aquatic Center (Seasonal) |
|---------------------------|
| Assessor |
| Building Inspections |
| Fire EMS (Non-emergency) |
| Municipal Court |
| Parks, Forestry, Grounds |
| Planning & Development |
| Police (Non-emergency) |
| Public Works |
| Waste Management |
| Water & Sewer |

VILLAGE OF WESTON MEETING SCHEDULE

| Board of Trustees | 6:00 p.m | 3rd Monday of the month |
|------------------------------------|------------|--------------------------|
| Community Development Authority | / 5:00 p.m | 1st Tuesday of the month |
| Finance Committee | 6:00 p.m | 3rd Monday of the month |
| Human Resource Committee | 6:00 p.m | 4th Monday of the month |
| Parks & Recreation Committee | 5:00 p.m | 4th Monday of the month |
| Plan Commission | 6:00 p.m | 2nd Monday of the month |
| Public Works & Utility Committee . | 4:30 p.m | 2nd Monday of the month |

Meeting dates are subject to change; call the Village of Weston offices to confirm dates and times. Committees and Commissions associated with police and fire meet on an as-needed basis.

CONNECT WITH US!









visit Nextdoor.com and sign up

in Village of Weston





• JANUARY 1 Village Offices Closed

Waste Management Closed
• MARCH 29

Village Offices Closed

- MAY 8
 Paper Shredding Event
- MAY 15
 Electronic Recycling Event
- MAY 16 18 Spring Bulk-Item Drop-Off
- MAY 27
 Village Offices Closed
 Waste Management Closed
- JULY 4

Village Offices Closed Waste Management Closed

- SEPTEMBER 2 Village Offices Closed Waste Management Closed
- OCTOBER 2
 Electronic Recycling Event
- OCTOBER 3-5
 Fall Bulk-Item Drop-Off
- OCTOBER 9
 Paper Shredding Event
- NOVEMBER 15
 America Recycles Day
- NOVEMBER 28
 Village Offices Closed
 Waste Management Closed
- NOVEMBER 29
 Village Offices Closed
- DECEMBER 24
 Village Offices Closed
- DECEMBER 25
 Village Offices Closed
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