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HAPPY JULY 4th!

Environmental Services has collected over 1,250 American flags for proper disposal by local Boy Scouts!

SERVICE CHANGES

Mattress/Box Spring Recycling and Brush Changes

Effective July 1, 2014 the following user fees will be implemented as approved by the Board of Supervisors.

Mattresses and box springs will no longer be disposed in the landfill. All components of a mattress and box spring can be broken down and recycled, rather than taking up valuable landfill space and damaging equipment.

Mattress or Box Spring	\$5.00
Wet Mattress or Box Spring (Non-recyclable)	\$10.00

Brush and yard waste management is entering the first step in a long term plan to develop this material into a soil amendment.

Brush-Pickup Truck <u>or</u> Trailer	\$5.00
Brush-Pickup <u>and</u> Trailer.....	\$10.00
Vehicle bigger than a Pickup.....	\$55/ton
Separated leaves, grass clippings, or wood chips	Free
<i>(Items in bags must be emptied.)</i>	

These materials will ONLY be accepted at the Corral Farm Facility Monday through Saturday from 7am to 3pm. (Items associated with fees are not accepted on Sundays.)

Please remember that the Landfill accepts cash and checks only.

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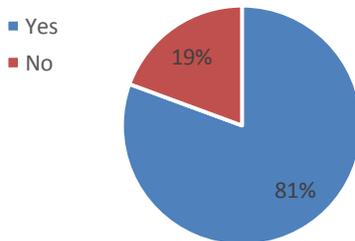
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Survey Results and Questions

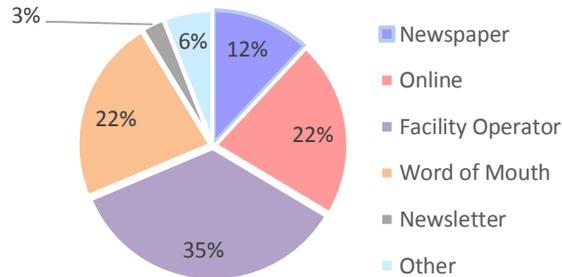
Environmental Services would like to sincerely thank all of you who participated in the recent recycling survey. It provided valuable insights and information that will help focus our goals!

We received over 300 completed surveys with a well-rounded sampling from each collection site. The results showed the following:

Do You Recycle More Now Than 2 Years Ago?



How Do You Get Information Regarding the Recycling Program?



- **81% of respondents are recycling MORE now than you had been 2 years ago!**
- **79% of respondents get information from the Facility Operator, Online, or Word of Mouth!**

We also received a lot of great comments/questions. Some highlighted questions are answered below:

Question: Why don't we recycle plastics #1 - #7?

For the past year, the department has been conducting a pilot program for all plastics (#1-7). In recent newsletters, we have described the unstable plastics market. The plastic recycling markets have improved significantly over the past few months and we are happy to announce the success of the program. All plastics are accepted at the Corral Farm facility for recycling. It is a long-term goal to collect at all sites, however hauling prices limit our services. Thank you all for your continued enthusiasm and efforts in growing our program!

Question: Why does glass go into the landfill?

This is a common misconception. Glass does NOT go into the landfill. There is no economical demand for mixed colors of glass but the Environmental Services Department is able to reuse the material here on site. The glass is crushed into finer pieces and used as road base rather than purchasing gravel.

Question: Why don't we have Household Hazardous Waste collection at all of the sites?

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) can include dangerous chemical material that needs to be handled carefully by contracted professionals. Space and storage restraints at remote collection sites do not meet requirements to have collection programs available at this time. To accommodate the need for disposal, however, the County offers services on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of every month (at the Corral Farm location) to collect residential HHW. HHW is also accepted by appointment at Corral Farm. Please call the office to schedule a drop-off!

Question: Why can't we accept electronics more often?

Several years ago electronics were collected one day per month. Today, the Corral Farm site accepts electronics 6 days a week: Monday through Saturday from 7am – 3pm. The electronic waste (or e-waste) is collected, packed and shipped to a certified contractor to erase personal information and to recover/reuse parts.

BUSINESS RECYCLING

Walmart headlines \$100 million recycling investment

Some of the largest companies in the world have come together to form a \$100 million recycling fund.

By Bobby Elliott, Resource Recycling Online Magazine

Announced by Walmart, the Closed Loop Fund will be formed by nine core firms and aim to become "an innovative investment vehicle that will help finance projects that increase recycling." According to Walmart, the project was sparked by supply shortages. "This group of companies is coming together because we jointly face a system problem: recycling rates are stagnant, and we can't get enough recycled material in packaging and products," a statement by Walmart reads.

By encouraging communities to recycle more, Walmart and others are hoping to gain access to a valuable stream of recycled commodities. Communities, meanwhile, could stand to see fiscal benefits in the form of job creation and "green" business growth.

In addition to Walmart, the founding companies are:

The Coca-Cola Company
Goldman Sachs
Johnson & Johnson Family of Consumer Companies
Keurig Green Mountain, Inc.
PepsiCo and the PepsiCo Foundation
Procter & Gamble
SC Johnson
Unilever

One immediate beneficiary of the initiative could be the newly announced Recycling Partnership, led by the Curbside Value Partnership. The outcome of a four-month intensive stakeholder discussion led by the Southeast Recycling Development Council and focused on coming up with a plan to drive recycling in the region, the Recycling Partnership will rely on public-private initiatives to increase recycling on a city-by-city basis.

IS YOUR PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT A GREEN BUSINESS?

Share Your Recycling Success with Others

Waste generated by businesses can often be reused or recycled, cutting down on operating costs. Does your business have recycling bins available to encourage employees to participate in a recycling program? Does your business support a green team? How does your business manage recyclable materials? Fauquier County Environmental Services would like to hear green business success stories. Please consider sharing your recycling, reuse, or minimization programs with us at environmentalservicesdept@fauquiercounty.gov.

SCIENCE/SUSTAINABILITY ENERGY ART EXPO

Composting at Home Workshop gets Community Excited!

Fauquier County Environmental Services participated in the first annual Science/Sustainability Energy Art Expo, co-sponsored by Fauquier County Public Schools and Brighter Communities. The expo showcased the new LEED certified wing at Fauquier High School as well as recycled art provided by students in the county. Environmental Services introduced composting as an additional landfill diversion method and talked to students about careers in recycling. Next year’s expo is scheduled for March 21, 2015.



Fauquier County’s Recycling Coordinator, Cara DiFiore, and Recycling Information Program Coordinator, Trish Ethier, represented Fauquier County Environmental Services at the Science/Sustainability Energy Art Expo.

WINNERS OF TREX PLASTIC FILM RECYCLING CHALLENGE

Schools Shine in Collection Participation

Fauquier County Public Schools were invited to participate in the annual plastic film recycling challenge sponsored by TREX (a manufacturer of composite decking material located in Winchester, VA). Of the thirteen schools that participated, Coleman Elementary collected over 1,400 pounds and won a park bench made from composite material. Marshall Middle School collected over 900 pounds as the second place collector. Together, the two schools collected over 45% of all the plastic film (bags, etc.) collected by Fauquier County schools. Each school received a bird feeder for their participation.



Coleman Elementary School students show off their plastic film recycling program.

For more information on the type of plastic film collected in Fauquier County, check out the county’s link for plastic bag recycling [here!](#)

FAQ

Q: When do collection site hours change?

A: The hours at the Remote Collection Sites change with Daylight Savings Time. The hours for each of the sites are noted below:

	Corral Farm Collection Site	*Remote Collection Site	Remington Recycling Site
Monday	7 am – 3 pm	*11am – 7pm	*2pm – 7pm
Tuesday	7 am – 3 pm	7 am – 3 pm	Closed
Wednesday	7 am – 3 pm	7 am – 3 pm	10 am – 3 pm
Thursday	7 am – 3 pm	*11am – 7pm	Closed
Friday	7 am – 3 pm	7 am – 3 pm	10 am – 3 pm
Saturday	7 am – 3 pm	7 am – 3 pm	7 am – 3 pm
Sunday	7 am – 3 pm	7 am – 3 pm	10 am – 3 pm
*Spring Hours			
<i>Hours change with Daylight Savings Time</i>			

Q: What holidays are the landfill and collection sites closed?

A: The landfill and collection sites will be closed on the following days:

Independence Day	Friday, July 4, 2014
Labor Day	Monday, September 1, 2014

SURVEY THANKS!

We would like to send a special thank you to the businesses that generously donated prizes for our recent survey winners:

BJ Books	Warrenton Jewelers	The UPS Store
Simple Comforts	Northside 29 Restaurant	Red Zone Bar and Grill
Sweet Frog		

**CORRAL FARM
RESIDENTIAL COLLECTION SITE**

7 days/week 7am-3pm

**REMOTE
RESIDENTIAL COLLECTION SITE**

Mon & Thurs 9am-5pm (winter hrs)
11am-7pm (summer hrs)
Tues, Wed,
Fri, Sat, Sun 7am-3pm

**REMINGTON RESIDENTIAL
RECYCLING SITE**

Monday 12pm-5pm (winter hrs)
2pm-7pm (summer hrs)
Wed, Fri, Sun 10am-3pm
Sat 7am-3pm
Tues, Thurs Closed

**CORRAL FARM
BULK RECYCLING AREA**

Sunday closed

**CORRAL FARM LANDFILL
(COMMERCIAL)**

Mon-Sat 7am-3pm