

OTHER RECYCLING & REUSE OPPORTUNITIES

- Books—take to used book stores for credit, or donate to Friends of the Library.
 - Textiles—check the yellow pages under “thrift and second-hand stores”. There are also numerous clothing and shoe drop-off boxes located throughout the county.
 - Electronics (including computers, laptops, monitors, TVs, printers with cartridges removed, VCRs, CD/DVD players, stereos, speakers, fax machines, telephones, cell phones, and fluorescent bulbs) may be recycled at:
 - Prince William County Landfill, 14811 Dumfries Rd. on Wednesdays and Saturdays, 10am–5pm.
 - Prince William County Composting Facility, 13000 Balls Ford Rd. on the 2nd Sunday of the month, 10am–3pm. Limit 3 items per visit.
- Additionally, companies like Best Buy, Office Depot and Staples have electronic recycling programs.
- Plastic grocery bags—return them to grocery and other retail stores or use re-usable bags instead.
 - Print cartridges—take to office supply or electronics stores, contact manufacturer or donate to organizations that collect them, including some PWC Public Schools.
 - Scrap metal / Buy-Back—check Yellow Pages under “Recycling Centers”.
 - Check out Earth911.org-Recycling Guide for recycling locations by item.

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Residential Recycling Guide

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STOP THROWING AWAY NATURAL RESOURCES!

YOU ARE THE KEY TO RECYCLING!
RECYCLE MORE.



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WHAT'S THE PROBLEM?

- Prince William County residents produce about 6.3 pounds of trash per person per day—this adds up to 2,300 pounds of trash per person per year.
- While the County currently recycles about 36% of its waste—about 55% of the County's waste is still disposed at the Prince William County Landfill.
- Much of the trash going to the landfill could have been recycled saving both natural resources and landfill space.
- The information contained in this guide can help get you into the habit of reducing, reusing, and recycling your waste at home and will ensure a better environment for Prince William County.

Did you know?

About 60% of what is in our trash is paper, metal, food and yard waste and that these items can be easily recycled.

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

Reduce:

- Purchase items with less packaging and in containers that can be recycled.
- Purchase items that will last a long time and repair items that break whenever you can.
- Rent items that you don't use very often.

Reuse:

- Use rechargeable batteries instead of one-time use batteries—you can reuse the rechargeable batteries over and over and they are easier to recycle at the end of their life.
- Leave grass clippings on the lawn and start a backyard composting program to keep valuable nutrients in your yard and out of the landfill. The Solid Waste Division sells backyard compost bins. Call 703-792-4670 or visit our website (www.pwcgov.org/recycling) for more information.
- If you don't want an item that is still in good working condition, take it to a thrift store or the “Donation Place” at the County Landfill. One person's trash can be another's treasure!

Recycle:

- Recycle at home, work, and school and recycle all you can.

Why Recycle?

- Saves energy because it takes far less energy to make new items from recycled materials than to use raw materials.
- Conserves natural resources such as water, timber, oil, and minerals and saves landfill space.
- Reduces pollution and decreases emissions of greenhouse gases that contribute to global climate change.
- Helps sustain the environment for future generations.

RECYCLE AT THE CURB!

Curbside recycling services vary somewhat depending upon service provider, but all households in Prince William County are required to recycle mixed paper, plastic bottles and containers, glass bottles and jars, and metal food and beverage cans. You should contact your service provider to obtain a recycling container and proper set out procedures. Below are some general guidelines:

Food and Beverage Containers:

- Plastic bottles and containers labeled #1-7 lids included (no Styrofoam)
- Aluminum, steel, and tin food and beverage cans
- Clean foil pans and wrap
- Glass bottles and jars
- Paper milk, soup and juice cartons
- Non-hazardous aerosol cans

How to Prepare:

- Rinse, replace lids, scrunch foil wrap
- Place in the recycling container
- Do not discard in plastic bags

Mixed Paper/Cardboard:

- Newspaper
- Mixed paper (white/colored paper, magazines, catalogs, paperback books, junk mail, cereal boxes, phone books, paper towel and toilet tissue cores, etc.)
- Corrugated cardboard

How to Prepare:

- Flatten boxes and cut down to no larger than 2 ft. x 2 ft. in size
- Do not discard in plastic bags

Recycling at Apartments:

Residents of apartments are also required to recycle, but programs vary from location to location. Contact your resident manager for more information about the recycling program. If there is no recycling program on site, call the Solid Waste Division at 703-792-4670. Condominiums must recycle same items as households.

NOT ACCEPTED FOR RECYCLING AT CURB, TRAILERS OR CONVENIENCE SITES*

- Styrofoam plates, cups, "take out" trays, etc.
- Frozen dinner trays
- Paper plates, cups or napkins
- Incandescent light bulbs** and glassware
- Plastic bags or items placed in plastic bags

**Place these items in with your regular household trash.*

*Note: **Fluorescent bulbs can be disposed of properly at Household Hazard Waste.*

Visit www.pwcgov.org/trashandrecycling for hazardous waste disposal information.

RECYCLE AT RECYCLING DROP-OFF TRAILERS IN PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY!

Recycle everything accepted at the curb—except cardboard—at recycling drop-off trailers located around the county. Locations subject to change. Check web site for latest information.

Dale City

- Birchdale Recreation Center, 14730 Birchdale Ave.
- Hillendale Commuter Lot, Hillendale Rd. near Dale Blvd.
- Hylton Boys & Girls Club, 5070 Dale Blvd.
- Dale City Commuter Lot, behind Giant Foods, Gemini Way near Minnieville Rd.

Dumfries

- Ferlazzo Building Parking Lot, 15941 Donald Curtis Dr. (off Cardinal Dr.)
- Town of Quantico, Virginia St. at Potomac Ave.

Lake Ridge/Occoquan

- Commuter lot at Route 123 and Old Bridge Rd.
- Town of Occoquan, Mill Street parking lot under Rt. 123 Bridge

Manassas

- Ben Lomond/Splash Down Water Park, 7500 Ben Lomond Dr. (large parking lot in rear)

Mid-County

- James J. McCoart County Administration Building (parking lot off Great Bridge Rd. (formerly Asdee Lane)
- Exxon at the Glen, 4255 Seeton Sq. near Prince William Pkwy. and Old Bridge Rd.

West County

- Linton Hall School, 9535 Linton Hall Rd., Bristow
- James Long Park, 4603 James Madison Hwy, Haymarket
- Nokesville Park, 12560 Aden Rd.
- Town of Haymarket, 6707 Jefferson St., Haymarket

Woodbridge

- Cokesbury Methodist Church, 14806 Blackburn Rd. (near intersection with Reddy Rd.)

RECYCLE EVEN MORE AT TWO CITIZEN CONVENIENCE SITES!

Mid-County—PWC Sanitary Landfill, 14811 Dumfries Rd., Manassas, VA 20012

*Monday–Saturday: 6 am – 6 pm**

*Sunday: 8 am – 5 pm**

Manassas Area—Prince William County Yard Waste Composting Facility, 13000 Balls Ford Rd., Manassas, VA 20109 (between PW Pkwy. and Wellington Rd.)

*Monday–Saturday: 7:30 am – 5 pm**

*Sunday: 8 am – 5 pm**

In addition to everything accepted for recycling at the curb and drop-off trailers, these items are accepted at the convenience sites:

- Corrugated (wafer board) cardboard, flattened
- Textiles and shoes (paired, placed in plastic bags)
- Grass, leaves, brush, branches and prunings
- Scrap metal/appliances
- Motor oil or anti-freeze in separate, clean containers (no other fluids or solvents)
- Household batteries
- Car batteries and oil filters
- Tires (no charge for up to four car tires)
- Bring reusable items like small appliances, furniture, home decor, toys and bikes to the Donation Place located at the Landfill only.

The Recycling Centers are busy on weekends—visit during the week so you don't have to wait in line!

For more information on what materials may be recycled and how to prepare, call 703-792-4670 or visit pwcgov.org/recycling.

**All facilities are closed New Year's Day, July 4th, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day. They close at 2:00pm on Christmas Eve.*

