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Solid Waste Program Update

UPCOMING EVENTS

New Marshall Recycling Center Soft Opening

February 7, 2017

Hours of operation:

Tuesday 10 AM to 2 PM

Thursday 2 PM to 6 PM

Saturday 10 AM to 2 PM

13300 15 Mile Rd., Marshall (located at the Road Department)

Recyclerama

April 1, 2017

9 AM to 1 PM

Bailey Park, enter park using Wagner Dr. (off of Emmett St.), Battle Creek

Collecting: appliances, electronics, Styrofoam, eyeglasses, household hazardous waste, and medications

Household Hazardous Waste Collection

May 13, 2017

10 AM to 12 PM

Marshall County Building parking lot (Intersection of Hanover and Grand St.), Marshall

Household Hazardous Waste Collection

June 24, 2017

10 AM to 12 PM

Toeller Building parking lot, 190 E. Michigan Ave., Battle Creek

Electronics and Styrofoam #6 Collection

August 26, 2017

9 AM to 1 PM

City of Battle Creek Department of Public Works Building, 150 S. Kendall St., Battle Creek

Joint event with the City of Battle Creek

Household Hazardous Waste Collection

September 30, 2017

10 AM to 12 PM

Marshall County Building parking lot (Intersection of Hanover and Grand St.), Marshall

The Solid Waste Program has moved to the Community Development Department

In January, the Solid Waste Program moved to the Community Development Department located at the County Building, 315 W. Green St., Marshall. The Solid Waste and Recycling Coordinator can be reached at 269-969-6395 or skelly@calhouncountymi.gov.

New Marshall Recycling Center Opening February 7, 2017

Calhoun County is excited to announce the opening of the new Marshall Recycling Center located at 13300 15 Mile Rd., Marshall on February 7, 2017. A ribbon cutting will be scheduled for later on this year. The new center will be open:

Tuesday 10 am – 2 pm

Thursday 2 pm – 6 pm

Saturday 10 am - 2 pm

Recyclers are asked to separate their recycling into the following categories:

- Aluminum
- Tin cans
- Clear uncolored glass
- #1 PET clear plastic bottles
- #2 HDPE milk and water jugs
- #2 HDPE colored plastic bottles
- #1, #3, #5, #6 and #7 mixed rigid plastic containers
- Newspaper and phonebooks
- Cardboard and box board
- Office paper, notebooks, mail, and envelopes
- Magazines and catalogs
- Styrofoam #6
- Household batteries
- Lithium household batteries

It is recommended that you place your sorted items in a cardboard box or paper bag which can be recycled at the center. Reusable recycling bins are also acceptable. Staff will be handing out a limited supply of reusable bags. Recyclers will pull up to the stop sign in front of the recycling center, and staff or volunteers will unload vehicles and load the recycling into the recycling trailers.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE PROGRAM

Calhoun County will host four household hazardous waste (HHW) collections in 2017. The dates will be April 1 (Recyclerama), May 13, June 24, and September 30. Information on the locations is provided in the upcoming event section of this newsletter. Please call 269-969-6395 for all of your HHW questions.

Products accepted:

- Aerosol cans
- Paint thinner/turpentine
- Oil and lead based paint
- Pesticides/herbicides
- Automotive products
- Small propane cylinders
- Household batteries
- Items containing mercury
- Medications
- Fire extinguishers
- Tube and CFL light bulbs
- Sharps (inside coffee can or laundry detergent bottle)

Calhoun County no longer has a contract allowing residents to use the Kalamazoo Household Hazardous Waste Center for free. Residents may still use the center; however they will be charged for the material they drop off.

THE SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meetings of the Solid Waste Management Planning Advisory Committee are held on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 4:30 PM at the Calhoun County Building, 315 W. Green St., Marshall in room 1-400.

2017 Meeting Schedule:

- January 18, 2017
- February 15, 2017
- March 15, 2017
- April 19, 2017
- May 24, 2017 (4th Wednesday)
- June 21, 2017
- July 19, 2017
- August 16, 2017
- September 20, 2017
- October 18, 2017
- November 15, 2017
- December 20, 2017

The committee is currently seeking the following members:

- One representative from the Regional Solid Waste Planning Agency
- One representatives from Environmental Interest Group

The committee application is available on the Calhoun County website:

https://www.calhouncountymi.gov/government/board_of_commissioners/application_for_appointment/

SCRAP TIRE COLLECTIONS

The Southwest Michigan Solid Waste Consortium has once again applied for a DEQ Scrap Tire Clean-up Grant. Their grant request includes three collections for Calhoun County. Dates for the collections will be released if and when the Consortium is awarded the grant in April.

TEAM GREEN

The Solid Waste Program depends on community volunteers to help staff collection events and the Albion and Marshall Recycling Centers. The Solid Waste Program welcomes all volunteers seeking community service age 10 on up. Volunteers and organizations may volunteer for full or partial shifts. Please consider volunteering and giving back to our community. Team Green members must fill out our volunteer application and sign a volunteer waiver which are available at the Albion Recycling Center, Albion City Hall, Marshall Recycling Center, and <http://calhouncountyrecycling.com/team-green/>.

2017 EVENT TOTALS

January 14 Styrofoam #6 Collection: 570 lbs.

For more information about recycling, please contact the Calhoun County Community Development Department – Solid Waste Program at 269-969-6395.

You may also visit our website at www.calhouncountyrecycling.com. Like us on Facebook: Calhoun County Recycling