



# BURLINGTON COUNTY RECYCLING GUIDE

*For County Residents, Schools, and Businesses*

Provided by the Burlington County Board of Commissioners



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## Clean and Green (and blue!)

### 27 Local Elementary Schools Received New Recycling Dumpsters from Burlington County

Students and staff at Burlington City's Wilbur Watts Intermediate School may have recently noticed something different behind their school building.

Gone is an old, faded teal recycling dumpster riddled with rust. In its place is a new, shiny one adorned with large signs reminding users to flatten cardboard and to keep trash, Styrofoam, plastic wrap and plastic bags out.

The upgraded dumpster was provided by the Burlington County Department of Solid Waste and Recycling, which periodically offers new dumpsters for local school districts to replace deteriorated or damaged ones.

It may seem like a small change, but it is an important one, according to Burlington County Commissioner Deputy Director Allison Eckel.

"Recycling is key for protecting our environment and keeping our communities clean and safe," said Eckel, the board liaison to schools. "Having a new well labeled, recycling dumpster



*Garden and Environmental Club students with their club advisors, Mrs. Sutton and Mr. Juliano and Assist. Superintendent Flynn proudly display their recycling posters with Burlington County Commissioner Deputy Director Allison Eckel.*

reinforces the message that recycling is important and is something students and staff can take pride in."

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## Burlington County Earth Fair Returning to Smithville Park on Sunday, April 27

*The free event offers family fun and education about the environment, sustainability and recycling.*



*A young visitor learns about sustainability and seed planting at last year's Earth Fair.*

Take a step back in time to the 1970s during this year's Burlington County Earth Fair at Historic Smithville Park in Eastampton.

The annual festival of sustainability, recycling and stewardship returns to Smithville on Sunday, April 27, from 11 AM to 4 PM, and will feature a 1970s theme in honor of the very first Earth Day held in April 1970. Admission to the event is free for all ages.

"Earth Day was created to bring attention to the environment and make protection a national priority. Decades later, it's more important than ever that we work together to preserve our air, water, land and wildlife," said Burlington County Commissioner Deputy Director Allison Eckel, the liaison to the County Department of Resource Conservation

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# Recycling Saves Tax Dollars and Landfill Space



## 2024 Burlington County Recycling Program

### How Much Your Town Recycled and Saved!

Municipality	Total lbs. Recycled	Landfill Disposal Fee Savings	Municipality	Total lbs. Recycled	Landfill Disposal Fee Savings	Municipality	Total lbs. Recycled	Landfill Disposal Fee Savings
Bass River	159,080	\$7,906	Florence	2,511,700	\$124,831	Pemberton Twp.	3,823,560	\$190,031
Beverly	429,220	\$21,332	Hainesport	1,230,140	\$61,138	Riverside	1,764,420	\$87,692
Bordentown City	804,160	\$39,967	Lumberton	2,170,700	\$107,884	Riverton	529,520	\$26,317
Bordentown Twp.	2,144,740	\$106,594	Mansfield	1,805,940	\$89,755	Shamong*	1,406,660	\$69,911
Burlington City	1,608,020	\$79,919	Maple Shade	2,776,280	\$137,981	Southampton	1,868,420	\$92,860
Burlington Twp.	3,984,720	\$198,041	Medford Lakes	1,018,740	\$50,631	Springfield	704,960	\$35,037
Chesterfield*	1,151,400	\$57,225	Medford Twp.	5,500,560	\$273,378	Tabernacle	1,485,780	\$73,843
Cinnaminson	3,478,760	\$172,894	Moorestown	4,350,200	\$216,205	Washington	139,320	\$6,924
Delanco	935,120	\$46,475	Mt. Holly	1,844,420	\$91,668	Westampton	1,815,940	\$90,252
Delran	2,861,940	\$142,238	Mt. Laurel	7,843,420	\$389,818	Willingboro	5,258,980	\$261,371
Eastampton	1,150,260	\$57,168	New Hanover	162,560	\$8,079	Woodland	152,520	\$7,580
Edgewater Park	1,477,700	\$73,442	North Hanover	616,940	\$30,662	Wrightstown	113,260	\$5,629
Evesham	8,064,380	\$400,800	Palmyra	1,449,060	\$72,018	MDL Joint Base	759,940	\$37,769
Fieldsboro	121,520	\$6,040	Pemberton Boro	222,540	\$11,060	<b>Total 81,697,500 \$4,060,366</b>		

Municipal Landfill Savings based on 2024 Disposal Fee of \$99.40/ton | \*Residents contract privately for trash collection

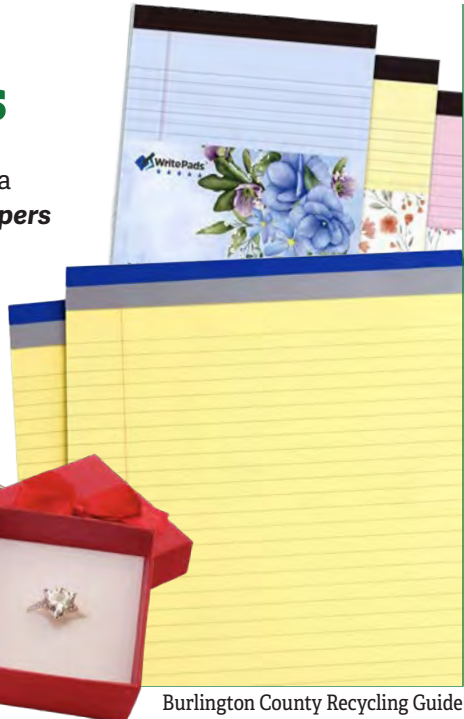


## Newman Paper Mill – Turning Your Papers into New Products



One of our markets is Newman Paper Mill, founded in Philadelphia in 1919. **Each month, we send them over 400,000 lbs. of your papers to be pulped, pressed, and rolled into new paperboard.**

The paperboard has many uses – puzzles and game boards, candy and jewelry boxes, guitar cases, and more.





# Commissioner's Message:

## Burlington County's Switch to Single-Stream Sorting Was a Gamechanger for Recycling



Hello friends and welcome to Burlington County's recycling guide.

It was just over 40 years ago that Burlington County launched its regional recycling program, and it continues to grow and evolve with the times. The service began in the early 1980s with newspaper collections but has steadily grown to include all varieties of paper, steel and aluminum cans, glass bottles and jars, and certain plastics.

One of the biggest changes came ten years ago, in 2015, when Burlington County switched to a single-stream recycling system.

Before single-stream, residents had to separate their paper and cardboard recyclables from aluminum, glass and plastics. Single-stream allowed us to accept glass and plastic containers, cans, paper, and cardboard in the same container.

Single-stream was a significant change that required a large investment to retrofit the County's recycling plant in Westampton with new state-of-the-art equipment capable of sorting the different materials, including the ability to sort over 450,000 bottles and cans each day. Ultimately, it proved to be a gamechanger for the County's recycling program, dramatically increasing participation and reducing the volume of waste disposed in our landfill.

While sorting at the recycling plant is now largely automated, the County still depends on workers from OTC Services (previously named the Occupational Training Center) to collect recycling from across the county. OTC workers also help sort recyclables and operate the plant and its machinery.

While recycling at home is much simpler because of the decade-old change, we still rely on our residents to be diligent about what they put into curbside recycling containers. Recycling the wrong items can clog or damage the plant's equipment or spark potentially devastating fires. Dirty cardboard, plastic and glass can also contaminate recycling bales and cause recycling companies to reject them.

This guide can be a useful resource to help you and your family recycle the right things correctly.

Thank you for recycling and helping to keep Burlington County clean and green!

Sincerely,

Tom Pullion  
Burlington County Commissioner  
*Liaison to the Department of Solid Waste and Recycling*



Bales of Recyclables Ready to Ship to Mills

### 43,415 Bales Sent to Recycling Mills in 2024

Our Single Stream System sorts your paper, cardboard, plastic bottles, and cans into 1200-1500 lb. "bales".

**We ship over 800 bales each week to recycling mills!**

Recyclable Material	# of Bales Shipped
Cardboard	22,594
Paper	12,924
Plastic Bottles, Jugs & Tubs	5,750
Steel/Tin Cans	942
Aluminum Cans	1,205
<b>Total Bales Shipped in 2024</b>	<b>43,415</b>

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In total, 27 dumpsters were replaced in elementary and middle schools. Later this year, the County will offer new ones to local high schools.

To receive a new recycling dumpster, schools needed to apply to the Department of Solid Waste and Recycling and provide a photo of their existing dumpster to demonstrate the need for replacement.

All new dumpster requests received in 2024 were fulfilled using \$32,000 of the County's annual recycling grant from the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection.

"Typically, these dumpsters run around \$1,200 each, so using our grant funding for this purpose provides a small savings to schools and taxpayers," said Eckel.

Burlington County is one of the only counties in New Jersey to collect recycling from homes and schools without assessing a fee for recycling service. The County has provided recycling to schools since the late 1980s and services all public schools in the county, along with nine private schools and all Rowan College at Burlington County sites.

Last year, more than 840,000 pounds of recyclables from 155 school facilities was collected.

"That amounts to 422 tons of material schools kept out of the landfill and approximately \$42,000 in savings from landfill tipping fees," said Commissioner Tom Pullion, liaison to the Department of Solid Waste and Recycling. "It's a great service that promotes good recycling habits in schools and at home."



Before and After - Old, rusted recycling dumpster and it's new replacement.

School Recycling Dumpster Grant Recipients
The following schools received new recycling dumpsters last fall from the Burlington County Department of Solid Waste and Recycling:
Captain James Lawrence Elementary School, Burlington City
Samuel Smith Elementary School, Burlington City
Wilbur Watts Intermediate School, Burlington City
B. Bernice Young Elementary School, Burlington Township
Fountain Woods Elementary School, Burlington Township
Burlington Township Middle School, Burlington Township
Riverbank Charter School, Florence
Northern Burlington County Regional Middle School, Mansfield
Chairville School, Medford
Mary E. Roberts School, Moorestown
Brainerd Elementary School, Mount Holly
Folwell Elementary School, Mount Holly
F.W. Holbein Middle School, Mount Holly
Burlington County Alternative School, Mount Laurel
North Hanover Upper Elementary School, North Hanover
C.B. Lamb School, North Hanover
Endeavour Elementary School, North Hanover
North Hanover School District Maintenance Building, North Hanover
Springfield Elementary School, Springfield
Burlington County Special Services School, Westampton
Twin Hills Elementary School, Willingboro
Garfield East Early Childhood Development Center, Willingboro
Memorial Middle School, Willingboro
Hawthorne Park School, Willingboro
James Cresswell Stuart Early Childhood Development Center, Willingboro
James A. Cotten Intermediate School, Willingboro
W.R. James Elementary School, Willingboro

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and Parks. "Burlington County's Earth Fair is a place to learn simple ways to make sustainability part of our daily lives and help protect our natural world."

Among the new environment-friendly activities is PSE&G's "Great Energy Escape", an escape-room style game where players must solve 12 energy-saving puzzles before time runs out. It's a fun way to learn how to conserve energy and save money on utility bills!

Headlining the presenters and performers this year will be Doug Tallamy, a University of Delaware professor, author and leader with Homegrown National Park, a nonprofit organization that promotes biodiversity.



Visitors taking the Energy Challenge inside PSE&G's Great Energy Escape trailer.



Woodford Cedar Run Wildlife Refuge will bring some of its feathered friends to Earth Fair.

Woodford Cedar Run Wildlife Refuge is returning with animal ambassadors from its Medford center. There will also be presentations from the Burlington County Master Gardeners, Starchild Nature School, Nature Sounds Studio, Pinelands Preservation Alliance, Toadshade Wildflower Farm, the new Edelman Fossil Park and more!

Visitors can shop at the festival's Artisan Marketplace featuring upcycled and recycled goods and creations, visit a pop-up nature center, trade plants or seeds at the Plant Swap table, and pedal their way to a delicious beverage courtesy of Wheelie Good Smoothies.

The Sustainable Living, Recycling, and Clean Communities tents will feature displays, games and collection bins for plastic bags/film, reusable bags and small e-waste items like ear buds, cell phones and power cords.

New to the Fair will be a special bicycle collection by the Mercer County Boys and Girls Club. The club collects unwanted bikes, making minor repairs as needed, and donates them to residents in need.

Food trucks, a beer garden, live music, storytellers and more will make for a great family outing. A full list of the day's events is available at [www.co.burlington.nj.us/1958/Earth-Fair](http://www.co.burlington.nj.us/1958/Earth-Fair).

"Protecting our environment is a team effort and Earth Fair teaches residents of all ages ways that are easy and fun," Eckel said. "Small changes and everyday choices can make a world of difference, so mark your calendars and come out to one of Burlington County's premier events."





# EARTH FAIR

**Sunday, April 27**  
**11 AM - 4 PM**

**Historic Smithville Park**  
**Eastampton, NJ**

**Plant Swap**  
**Kids Activities**  
**Sustainable Living Tent**  
**Presentations & Demos**

**Artisan Marketplace**  
**Music**  
**Food Trucks**  
**Beer Garden**

[www.co.burlington.nj.us/parks](http://www.co.burlington.nj.us/parks)



## Pop-Up Recycling Dropoffs at Earth Fair 2025

### RECYCLING DRIVE IN/DROP OFF

IN EVENT OVERFLOW PARKING AREA OFF MAIN ENTRANCE

#### Used Bike Donations



Benefits Mercer County Boys & Girls Club Bike Exchange. Bikes of all sizes, kids to adult tricycles, in good shape, that can be restored. *No rusty or bent bike frames.*

#### Books



Any language or subject, in good condition, including hardbacks & textbooks. *No magazines, or dirty, damp, or moldy books.*

#### Plastic Flower Pots



*Pots should be free of dirt and debris.*

#### Textiles



Clean, dry, and odorless gently used clothes, shoes, linens, and stuffed animals. *Bring in a closed plastic bag.*

### IN THE RECYCLING TENT

#### Plastic Film & Bags



Clean, dry plastic wrap from cases of water, towels, tissues, etc. Also, dry cleaning bags, bubble wrap, air pillows, plastic shipping mailers, such as Amazon plastic mailers. *Bring in a closed plastic bag.*

#### Small E-Waste



Tablets, e-readers, computer mice, cell phones, power cords, small circuit boards, ear buds, mp3 players, and iPods. *No large electronic items.*

### IN THE SUSTAINABLE LIVING TENT

#### Reusable Bags

Bags should be clean, dry, and gently used. *No ripped or torn bags.*



## The 2025 Sustainable Living Tent Will Feature:

- Some of the latest electric vehicles including the VW ID BUZZ
- Interactive nature themed education for kids
- Sustainable Buying – How to use refillables
- Farmer Gleaning Programs for Food Banks – how to volunteer
- Native Plants for your yard
- Permaculture and veggie growing
- “Quiet Lawn Care” – electric and sustainable landscaping
- Curbside Composting Collection Services





# Curbside Recycling Guidelines

## Only Recycle Items Shown Below



**Paper & Cardboard**  
*No paper plates, towels, tissues, or napkins. No wrapping paper with foil or glitter.*

**Plastic Bottles & Food Containers**  
1 2 & 5  
Screw-top caps on plastic bottles are OK.  
*No Styrofoam or lids.*



**Glass Bottles & Jars**  
*No ceramics or glassware.*



**Metal CANS Only**  
*No paint or aerosol cans.*



**Cartons**  
*No frozen food containers.*

**EMPTY and RINSE**  
all bottles, jars, and containers.

**DO NOT CRUSH**  
plastic bottles or metal cans.

### How to Prepare Your Recyclables



Recyclables should be clean, dry, and empty.



**NEVER** bag recyclables. Place them loose in your cart.



Recycling should be at the curb by 6am on collection day.



Cardboard must be **emptied, flattened, folded** and placed in recycling container or stacked neatly and loosely next to it.

### Pizza Box Guidelines

Pizza boxes must be clean and empty. A **small** amount of grease is okay.



Recycling carts with incorrect items **WILL NOT BE SERVICED!**

### DO NOT RECYCLE:

NO PLASTIC WITH



STYROFOAM



REUSABLE BAGS



PLASTIC BAGS, FILM, OR WRAP



**BAGGED RECYCLING**



Questions? Visit [burlcorecycles.com](http://burlcorecycles.com), call (609) 499-1001, email [recycle@co.burlington.nj.us](mailto:recycle@co.burlington.nj.us) or download the Recycle Coach app.



# Battery Fires Present One of the Biggest Challenges to the Recycling and Waste Industry

Lithium-ion batteries are everywhere – from smartphones and smartwatches to wireless headphones, car key fobs, remote controls, toys, e-bikes, power tools, and even singing greeting cards. Lightweight and long-lasting, they’ve become an essential part of daily life. Here’s the catch: When these batteries end up in recycling trucks or facilities, they pose a serious hazard. Never put batteries in recycling. A minor spark can rapidly escalate into a dangerous fire, threatening workers, equipment, and the entire facility. This risk is

caused by a process known as thermal runaway. When the battery is crushed, punctured, or overheats, it can generate so much heat that it ignites itself – causing the battery to leak, swell, or burst into flames. The fire risk is real and on the rise. Improperly discarded lithium-ion batteries resulted in a fire on one of our recycling trucks (pictured right). We’ve also had three battery-caused fires at our recycling center in just the past six months. Thankfully, all were detected and extinguished before causing any damage.



**ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT RECYCLING FIRES!**

**RECHARGEABLE BATTERIES ARE THE MAIN CAUSE OF RECYCLING FIRES.**

**RECHARGEABLE BATTERIES ARE USED IN CELLPHONES, POWER TOOLS, AND MANY HOUSEHOLD DEVICES.**










## Battery Recycling Locations

The Burlington County Household Hazardous Waste Facility (HHWF) accepts batteries from Burlington County residents. (see page 8).

Home Depot, Lowe's and Staples, and other stores take batteries, but not all take the same types.

An easy way to find a drop-off for your batteries is to visit Call2Recycle®. Call2Recycle® operates the country's leading consumer battery recycling program and maintains the most current listing for battery recycling options.

Their handy zip code search tool provides a list of nearby stores and what they accept.

<b>Staples #0559</b> 555 High Street Mount Holly, NJ 08060-1045 (609) 261-6060 <b>accepts:</b>  Recharge-able batteries  Cellphones  Single-use Batteries	<b>Lowe's</b> 1520 Route 38, Bldg 10 Lumberton, NJ 08048-2905 (609) 518-7680 <b>accepts:</b>  Recharge-able batteries  Cellphones  High energy batteries (participating brands only)	<b>The Home Depot</b> 2703 Route 541 Westampton, NJ 08060-3803 (609) 387-8178 <b>accepts:</b>  Recharge-able batteries
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Looking for a location near you? Visit [www.call2recycle.org/locator/](http://www.call2recycle.org/locator/) and enter your zip code!

**NEVER PUT BATTERIES IN YOUR RECYCLING!**

# Burlington County Household Hazardous Waste Facility (HHWF)

Located in the Resource Recovery Complex –  
**22000 Burlington-Columbus Road, Florence, NJ 08518**

Hours of operation: Tuesday – Friday, 7am to 3pm and Saturdays, 7am to 12pm

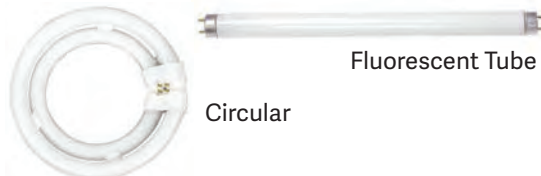


## Hazardous Lightbulbs

These bulbs are hazardous. Bring them to the HHWF.

**NEVER PUT INTO TRASH OR RECYCLING!**

### FLUORESCENT BULBS



### HIGH DENSITY DISCHARGE (HIDS)

Do not use tape on the bulbs



### COMPACT FLUORESCENT BULBS (CFLs)

These CFLs can also be recycled at your local Home Depot or Lowe's



## Got prescription medications?

Scan this code with your smartphone to find a local dropoff location for proper disposal.



## Accepted Household Hazardous Waste Items

The Burlington County Household Hazardous Waste Facility (HHWF) accepts many types of hazardous waste from county residents. Items include:

- Motor Oil & Antifreeze
- Ammonia-based cleaners
- Compact Fluorescent Bulbs
- Flammables
- Latex Paint
- Fire Extinguishers and Flares
- Toxics
- is water based and not hazardous. If nearly empty, let contents dry and place in trash with **LID OFF**.
- Small Propane Tanks – 1 lb or less
- Pesticides, Insecticides & Herbicides
- Fluorescent Tubular Lamps
- Lead Acid Batteries
- Corrosives
- Household Batteries

For a full list of acceptable hazardous waste items, visit [co.burlington.nj.us/358/Acceptable-Items](https://co.burlington.nj.us/358/Acceptable-Items)

### UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS INCLUDE:

- **NO** Medications
  - **NO** acetylene, unidentified, or commercial tanks or other cylinders.
- Note: Residents – check your municipal website or RecycleCoach to see if your town has a local hazardous waste dropoff.

Questions? Email [hazwaste@co.burlington.nj.us](mailto:hazwaste@co.burlington.nj.us)

## Where to Recycle Old TVs and Other E-Waste

By New Jersey state law, it is illegal to place TVs, computers, fax machines and printers in trash or recycling containers.



### GOODWILL LOCATIONS

listed below only accept TVs, computers, fax machines and printers for recycling:

Bordentown Store  
Cinnaminson Donation Center  
Lumberton Store  
Maple Shade Store  
Medford Donation Center  
Mount Laurel Donation Center  
Willingboro Store

### MUNICIPAL DROPOFFS

Local residents only:

Bass River	Florence	Mount Laurel
Bordentown City	Hainesport	North Hanover
Bordentown Twp.	Lumberton	Palmyra
Burlington Twp.	Mansfield	Pemberton Boro
Chesterfield	Maple Shade	Pemberton Twp.
Cinnaminson	Medford Lakes	Tabernacle
Delran	Medford Twp.	Woodland
Evesham	Moorestown	Wrightstown

Identification required. No businesses allowed. Hours of operation vary. Check your town's website or the RecycleCoach app for details.

## County E-Waste Dropoff for County Residents ONLY!

Burlington County Resource Recovery Complex  
22000 Burlington-Columbus Road, Florence, New Jersey 08518

Monday - Friday: 7am – 5pm, Saturday: 7am – Noon

For a full list of the e-waste items accepted visit [burlcorecycles.com](https://burlcorecycles.com).





# Trex Plastic Recycling Challenge Groups Collect Over 64,000 Pounds!

Plastic bags and film, such as shipping mailers, bubble wrap, beverage and paper goods case wrap, and bread bags cannot be put in curbside recycling because they jam sorting equipment. Volunteer groups (schools, civic groups, scouts, sports groups, corporate green teams, etc.) can help keep plastic bags and film out of our landfill by taking the Trex Company's Recycling Challenge.

Trex uses these separately collected clean and dry plastics to make outdoor decking and furniture. Groups that collect and deliver 1,000 lbs. of Trex plastic bags and film to a collection center will win a handsome Trex bench from recycled plastic.

In 2022, the Burlington County Commissioners set up a drop off site for plastic bags and film at the Robert C. Shinn Jr. Recycling Center (OTC) in Westampton to give Trex Challenge groups a convenient spot to drop off their plastics. To date, dozens of organizations have delivered over 64,000 lbs. of plastic bags and film to the Center. Some groups, like the Medford Green Team, have earned multiple benches for their township's parks.



*Burlington County Commissioner Deputy Director Allison Eckel displays plastic bags and film collected for Trex during last year's Earth Fair at Historic Smithville Park.*

"Thanks to the dedicated band of volunteers, the equivalent of over 5 million pounds of plastic bags



were kept out of our landfill" said Commissioner Tom Pullion, liaison to the Department of Solid Waste and Recycling. "Our county is certainly cleaner and greener due to their efforts."

## Trex Challenge Program Details:

- Register your group at [NexTrex.com](https://NexTrex.com) and select a plastic recycling partner (the County Recycling Center is listed as "OTC").
- Trex provides groups with 3 collection bins.
- Collect a minimum of 1,000 lbs.
- Weigh, record and attach pictures at [my.trex.com](https://my.trex.com).
- Deliver bags of plastic to the County Recycling Center (listed as OTC on the Trex site). Acme, Kohls, Wegmans, and Whole Foods may also take them. When you reach your goal, Trex will ship your bench!

To learn more about the Trex program, visit [burlcorecycles.com](https://burlcorecycles.com).

If your group plans to deliver plastic to the OTC recycling center, email [recycle@co.burlington.nj.us](mailto:recycle@co.burlington.nj.us) or call (609) 499-1001.

## Where can residents recycle plastic bags and film?

Residents may bring their plastic bags & film to:

- The Recycling Tent at Earth Fair on April 27th (see page 5).
- County Resource Recovery Complex - open 6 days/week (see page 8).
- County paper shredding event (see page 12).



## Recycle Coach

In 2018, the N.J. Department of Environmental Protection launched Recycle Coach, a **free** app designed to give residents easy access to local recycling information.

Today, over 35,500 Burlington County residents use the app on their mobile phones or computers. Unsure what your recycling day is or where to recycle an old TV? The app has the answers and much more, including local recycling guidelines, a "What Goes Where?" tool to help with questionable items, and a simple way to report collection issues and more.

New and fun additions include downloadable, kid-friendly activity packets, recycling blog articles, and educational videos addressing common recycling questions. Users can even test their recycling knowledge by taking a monthly recycling trivia quiz.

Download the free app today by scanning the QR code.



# Burlington County Clean Communities

New Jersey Clean Communities is a statewide, comprehensive, litter-abatement program created by the passage of the Clean Communities Act in 1986. Burlington County Clean Communities offers multiple programs to tackle litter within the county and to change littering behavior by providing education on its impact on our local

environment. Current programs include funding for litter education performances and assemblies at schools and county events, seasonal litter cleanup events in county parks and waterways, and litter removal from county owned and maintained land and roadways.



*Working together by picking up litter today for a cleaner, safer, and healthier environment tomorrow.*

For more information on our programs, please visit [www.co.burlington.nj.us/343/clean-communities](http://www.co.burlington.nj.us/343/clean-communities)

## Clean Communities 2024 County Park Litter Cleanup Results

In 2024, volunteers donated 186 hours of their time to collect a total of 2,240 pounds of litter from three different county park locations during four separate events.

Date	Location	# of Volunteers	Lbs. of Litter
April 2024	Amico Island Park	143	1,140
May 2024	Willingboro Lakes Park	38	240
Oct. 2024	Willingboro Lakes Park	24	540
Nov. 2024	Pennington Park & Newton's Landing Trail	43	320

## NJ Clean Communities Now Available on Recycle Coach

Besides being the source for your recycling dates, Recycle Coach is much more than calendars for your recycling pickup schedule. With the new Clean Communities features, Recycle Coach now includes information about special litter cleanup events scheduled in county parks as well as in app sign-ups for the event! Educational litter videos and quizzes to test your litter knowledge are also available in the Discovery Zone.

Access these great resources by visiting [www.co.burlington.nj.us/1602/Recycle-Coach](http://www.co.burlington.nj.us/1602/Recycle-Coach) or scan the above code with your smartphone.



## NJ Clean Communities Litter Free NJ Resource Center

New Jersey Clean Communities now offers an important resource for NJ residents to utilize when researching statewide litter cleanup initiatives, reusable bag donation centers, and additional information about the Clean Communities Act and the Get Past Plastic Laws.

Access these resources by visiting [linktr.ee/litterfreenj](http://linktr.ee/litterfreenj) or scan this code with your smartphone.



BURLINGTON COUNTY CLEAN COMMUNITIES FALL 2025

## Litter Cleanup Event

**SATURDAY  
SEPTEMBER 20  
9AM – NOON • RAIN OR SHINE**

### AMICO ISLAND PARK 81 Norman Avenue, Delran

**Individuals, groups, and organizations are welcome!**

Bags, gloves, and grabbers will be provided.  
Please bring your own water and snacks.

**To register, email [cleancomm@co.burlington.nj.us](mailto:cleancomm@co.burlington.nj.us)**

Participants younger than age 16 must be accompanied by an adult. Volunteers under age 18 participating without a parent/guardian must bring a signed waiver with them on the day of the cleanup.

**Participants in need of community service hours and groups of 10 or more must register prior to cleanup.**

**For more information, click the code or visit [www.co.burlington.nj.us/343/clean-communities](http://www.co.burlington.nj.us/343/clean-communities)**



*Commissioner Deputy Director Allison Eckel helps Senator Troy Singleton and his band of volunteers clean up litter at Amico Island.*



Burlington County Municipal Clean Communities Program Contact Information

Bass River	(609) 296-3337	Florence	(609) 499-2525, ext. 103	Pemberton Township	(609) 836-5258
Beverly City	(609) 747-4084	Hainesport	(609) 267-2730, ext. 100	Riverside	(856) 461-1460, ext. 4
Bordentown City	(609) 298-0604	Lumberton	(609) 267-3217	Riverton	(856) 829-1792
Bordentown Township	(609) 291-2133	Mansfield	(609) 298-0542, ext. 1011	Shamong	(609) 268-2377
Burlington City	(609) 386-0754	Maple Shade	(856) 779-9610, ext. 113	Southampton	(609) 859-2736
Burlington Township	(609) 239-5909	Medford Lakes	(609) 654-9383	Springfield	(609) 723-2464
Chesterfield	(609) 298-2311, ext. 120	Medford Township	(609) 654-6791, ext. 325	Tabernacle	(609) 268-2570
Cinnaminson	(856) 829-6703	Moorestown	(856) 235-3520	Washington	(609) 965-3242
Delanco	(856) 461-0561	Mt. Holly	(609) 845-1108	Westampton	(609) 267-1891
Delran	(856) 461-7737	Mt. Laurel	(856) 234-0001, ext. 1241	Willingboro	(609) 877-2200, ext. 1125
Eastampton	(609) 267-5723, ext. 210	New Hanover	(609) 758-2172	Woodland	(609) 726-1700
Edgewater Park	(609) 877-2050	North Hanover	(609) 758-2522, ext. 218	Wrightstown	(609) 723-4450, ext. 10
Evesham	(856) 983-2798	Palmyra	(856) 829-8215		
Fieldsboro	(609) 298-6344	Pemberton Boro	(609) 894-8222, ext. 5		

Clean Communities County Road Litter Cleanup Results with OTC Litter Crew

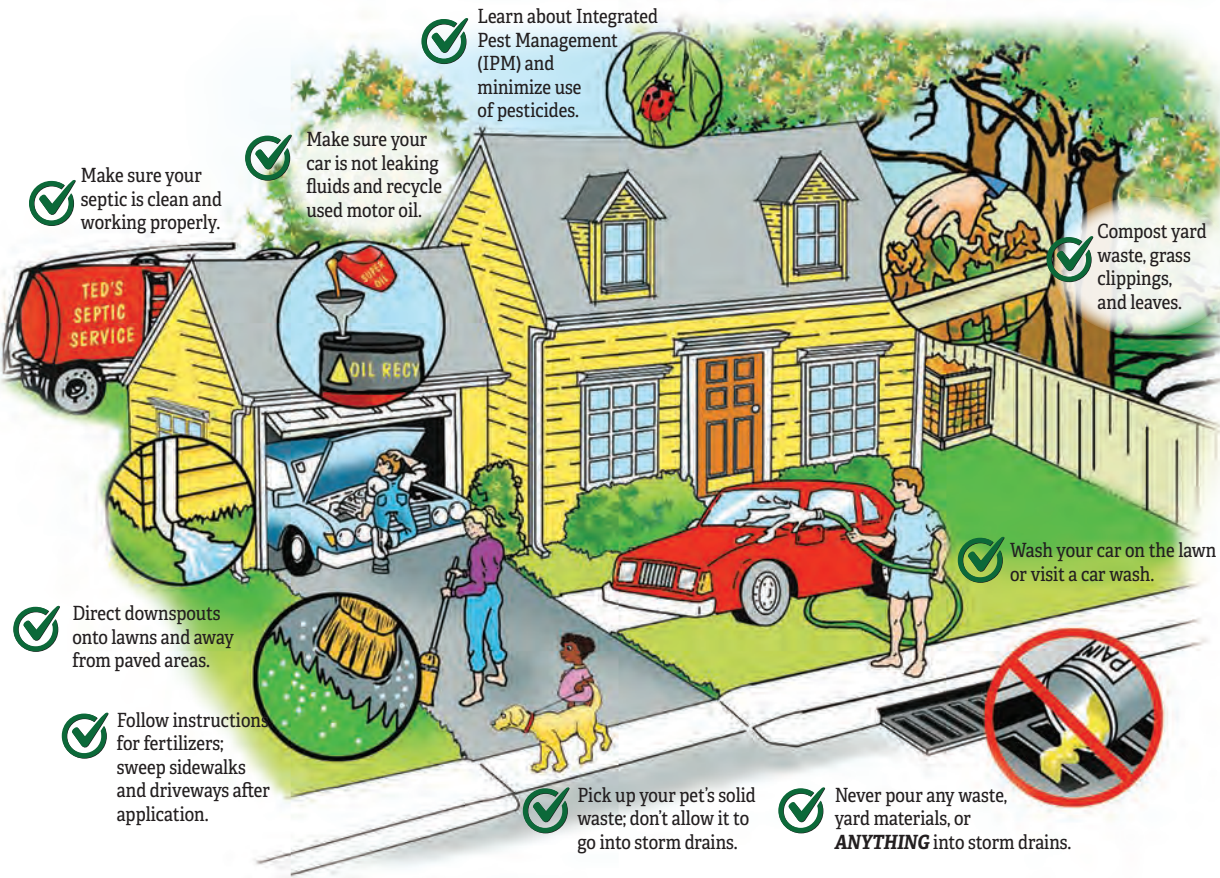
In 2024, the OTC Road Litter Crew worked 3,003 hours to collect approximately 82,145\* pounds of litter on 319 miles of county roadways during 183 cleanup days.

County Road Cleanups	Miles	Bags of Litter Collected	Pounds Collected	Hours Worked
183	319	2,347	82,145*	3,003

\*Pounds are based on an average weight of a full 55-gallon trash bag.



Steps You Can Take to Help Prevent Stormwater Pollution



Litter and leaves can clog storm drains, causing rainwater to back up onto your property and into your home. Debris that washes into a storm drain can travel underground through pipes and come out into lakes, rivers, streams and even the ocean. Litter can attract rodents and disease, posing a health risk; litter also poses a risk to animals and marine life.

Never dump anything into the storm drain!

Don't use a hose to wash contaminants such as oil spills or antifreeze off your driveway. Do not drain your pool, spa, or fountain water into the storm drain, and don't over-water chemically treated lawns and gardens.

**What CAN you do?** Adopt the storm drain near your home by volunteering to regularly inspect it and keep it clean. Remove litter from your property and street, even if it is not yours. Make sure your recycling bins don't overflow. If your recyclables fall out of the bin, pick them back up. Encourage your neighbors to keep their storm drains clean.

Learn more at [co.burlington.nj.us/322/Stormwater](https://co.burlington.nj.us/322/Stormwater).





**SAVE THE DATE**  
**APRIL 27**

# EARTH FAIR

See page 5 for more information!

## SPRING 2025 PAPER SHREDDING EVENT



**NEW LOCATION!**

**SUNDAY MAY 4**

9 AM – 1 PM\*

**Rain or Shine**

\*Event may end prior to 1pm if shredding trucks reach capacity.

**Burlington County Institute of Technology**

695 Woodlane Road, Westampton, NJ 08060

Event will be held in school's rear parking lot.  
Cars **MUST** enter the event via Pioneer Blvd.  
(at traffic light)

Burlington County recycled more than 117,000 pounds of paper during our 2024 shredding events, and we believe the new convenient location at BCIT-Westampton will help us surpass that total in 2025.

– Commissioner Tom Pullion, liaison to the Dept. of Solid Waste and Recycling



**Please Note:**

Remain in your car.

Put paper in your trunk or truck bed; our staff will remove it from your vehicle.

**Confidential files ONLY – ABSOLUTELY NO MAGAZINES/JUNK MAIL/RECEIPTS!**

Limit of 4 bags/boxes of unshredded paper weighing no more than 10 lbs. each. Shredded paper is also accepted.

No businesses or non-profits.

**2 Special Plastic Collections at Shred Event:**

**Plastic Bags/Film** – bubble wrap, air pillows, plastic mailers, and plastic wrap from cases of water & paper products.

**PakTech Plastic Handles** – Plastic handles used to carry beer, sodas, food jars, etc.

Do not mix the plastic bags/film with the PakTech handles.



**BURLINGTON COUNTY RESIDENTS ONLY. IDENTIFICATION REQUIRED.**

Questions? Call (609) 499-1001 ext. 4309 or email [recycle@co.burlington.nj.us](mailto:recycle@co.burlington.nj.us)




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**GREAT JOB!**

**IN 2024, BURLINGTON COUNTY RESIDENTS RECYCLED**

**400 POUNDS PER HOME!**

<b>17</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>145</b>
Pounds of Food & Beverage Cans	Pounds of Plastic Bottles, Jugs, & Tubs	Pounds of Glass Bottles & Jars	Pounds of Paper	Pounds of Cardboard

## Come See How We Sort Your Recyclables

Burlington County community groups and high schools are invited to tour the Robert C. Shinn Jr. Recycling Center in Westampton to learn how we sort your recyclables into marketable materials.

- Group tours are available Monday through Thursday from 8 AM to 3 PM.
- The minimum group size is 15 participants.
- For safety, the minimum age requirement is 14 years old.
- To schedule a tour, email [recycle@co.burlington.nj.us](mailto:recycle@co.burlington.nj.us).
- To take a virtual recycling center tour visit [burlcorecycles.com](http://burlcorecycles.com).



Moorestown Friends School students with Burlington County Commissioner Tom Pullion begin their tour of the Robert C. Shinn Jr. Recycling Center.