



WasteWrap

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DMC Regional Waste Commission holiday schedule 2021 Collection Calendars

Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, and New Year's Day are holidays for the DMC Regional Waste Commission and all agency locations and offices will be closed to the public.

For the Thanksgiving holiday, Burlington area residents who normally have recycling collected on *Thursday* will have their recyclables collected on *Friday*, November 27th. Please have recyclables placed curbside in your Area Recyclers container by 7:30am to ensure collection. Friday's regular route is not affected and normal hours and collection resume on Friday.

For the Christmas holiday, Burlington area residents who normally have recycling collected on *Friday* will have their recyclables collected on *Thursday*, December 24th. Please have recyclables placed curbside in your Area Recyclers container(s) by 7:30am to ensure collection. Thursday's regular routes will be collected as scheduled and are not affected.

For the New Year's Day holiday, Mediapolis and Morning Sun residents who normally have their recyclables collected on *Friday* will have their recycling collected on *Thursday*, December 31st. Thursday's Mount Pleasant route will be collected as scheduled and are not affected.

Curbside collection calendars for 2021 are available for download from our website www.dmcwaste.org or from our Facebook page keyword "Area Recyclers". Collection calendars are also available from the Area Recyclers office, or if you live outside of Burlington, your local city hall.

If you have questions about the holiday collection schedule or about the 2021 curbside collection calendars, please contact Area Recyclers at (319) 753-8126 or email us at feedback@dmcwaste.org.



Dear Professor Garbologist:

Dear Professor Garbologist: Wrapping paper, ribbons, Christmas lights, ornaments, greeting cards, bows, toy packaging, tape, boxes...HELP! I want to do the right thing with my recycling this Christmas Season but how do I know what is and is not recyclable? Jessica- Mount Pleasant.

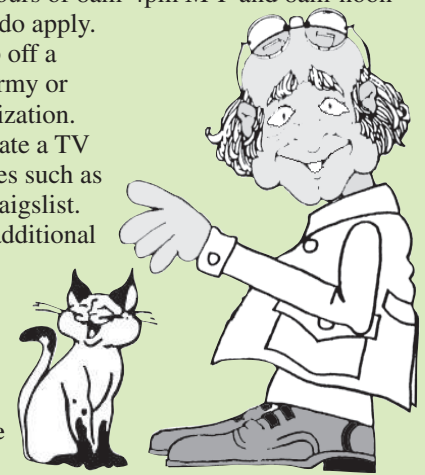
Hello Jessica: Thanks for writing in with a great question. The short answer is that the only thing you list that is actually recyclable is corrugated cardboard boxes. Non-working Christmas lights may be taken to Lowes. For a more detailed listing of what you can recycle please see chart on page 3, or email us at the address below.

Dear Professor Garbologist: I'm hoping Rudolph has room in the sleigh for a new TV for Christmas. How can I properly get rid of our old TV? Nate- West Burlington.

Hello Nate: Great question! Electronics need to be properly disposed of in order to protect our environment. Many electronic items contain substances like mercury, lead, cadmium, and other materials that can be very dangerous to humans and our environment. Electronics with screens are banned from the landfill and should be taken to the HazChem Center for disposal during regular business hours of 8am-4pm M-F and 8am-noon on Saturday. Fees do apply. Please do not drop off a TV at Salvation Army or similar type organization. If you wish to donate a TV check with websites such as freecycle.org or craigslist.com. If you have additional questions please contact the HazChem Center at 319-753-8758.

Have a question about recycling, the landfill, e-waste, or the HazChem Center?

Email it to us at feedback@dmcwaste.org or message us on Facebook page, keyword "Area Recyclers"!



Curbside Collection Calendars

for 2021 will be available online only. Residents can download a collection calendar from our website www.dmcwaste.org or from our Facebook page keyword "Area Recyclers". Collection calendars will not be placed in curbside bins. Residents without a computer or smart phone may stop in at Area Recyclers for a printed calendar.

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2021 DMC Regional Waste Commission Meetings

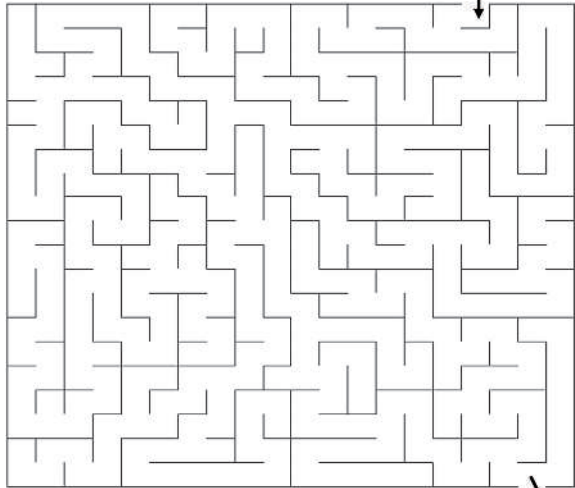
The DMC Regional Waste Commission conducts full commission meetings on the third Tuesday of alternating months beginning in January. Meetings begin at 4pm unless otherwise stated and are held in the conference room at Area Recyclers, 1818 W. Burlington Ave., Burlington. The public is welcome.

2021 Meeting Schedule:

January 19 March 16
May 18 July 20
September 21 November 16

Help Santa get to Area Recyclers!

Santa loves the Earth and wants to do his part to protect our environment. He has lots of corrugated cardboard on his sleigh and needs to unload it at Area Recyclers before he can finish his work on Christmas Eve!



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Recycling resolutions or a resolution to recycle?

How many of us will, in about six weeks, welcome the new year by making pledges, vows, and resolutions? Isn't it funny how we tend to turn January 1st into an excuse to reform ourselves? Despite our best intentions, however, many of us end up discarding or abandoning those plans, often before we can even glimpse the end of January. Will this year bring another round of resolutions that fade with the passing of the days? Let's hope not. Let's propose to actually achieve some of those lofty goals, beginning with one. One seems easy, right? One goal, and the best way to achieve a goal is to make it reasonable to accomplish. What if we all pledged to make a change for the better this next January; one habit we improve or perhaps one bad habit we eliminate? My proposal to you is this....instead of "recycling" resolutions from years past, which we sometimes have not achieved anyway, why not make a fresh resolution- a resolution to begin recycling or to improve your current efforts? This "recycling resolution", so to speak, could be as simple as vowing to no longer throw that water or "hydration beverage" bottle into the trash bag or to put a box for recycling paper underneath that printer at work. Starting small can lead to bigger and better things. New Year's resolutions can be quite powerful in motivating us to better ourselves and improve our impact on the world around us. This is why making a recycling resolution is all the more important... the payoff is real, not just for you but also for your family, your neighbors, your community, your state... little splashes that send ripples around the world.



Fresh information every week, and who wants to win \$50 for Recycled 2 You?

Many already know that Area Recyclers has its own Facebook page. However, many more are missing out. Our goal is to increase our Facebook following and to accomplish that we need your help. If you have a Facebook account, please type in the keyword "area recyclers" to visit, then "LIKE" our page. In return, we provide weekly recycling collection reminders as well as other information that may be beneficial about Area Recyclers, the DMC Regional Landfill, the HazChem Center, and the Recycled 2 You gift shop. If you already "like" our Area Recyclers Facebook page, or if you are new to it, please share our page with others. We already have over 1000 followers, but who says we can't have 2000 followers? If we can exceed 300 new "likes" for our page before December 18th we will randomly select one person to receive a \$50 gift certificate for our Recycled 2 You store!



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*A note from Santa's
elves at Area
Recyclers...*

**THESE ITEMS
ARE *NOT*
RECYCLABLE
AND SHOULD BE
PLACED IN
YOUR TRASH:**

- Wrapping & tissue paper
- Bows
- Ribbon
- Christmas Cards
- Plastic toy packaging & wire ties
- Styrofoam of any type
- Shirt & Gift boxes
- Christmas ornaments
- Christmas lights (can be taken to Lowes for recycling)
- Some fruitcakes?

Wishing you a wonderful Holiday Season! If you have any questions, please contact us at (319) 753-8126, 1-800-216-8126, or ask us on Facebook "like" Area Recyclers!

It's not just a courtesy, it's a policy

The fall season means the leaves are coming down and the trees, if not already, will soon be bare. This is a friendly reminder that all loads coming to the landfill, including leaves, grass, tree limbs/branches/twigs and sticks, must be secured and covered. A sign posted at the entry to the DMC Regional Landfill reminds visitors of the landfill's cover-your-load policy. All vehicles must have loads tarped and secured when driving down any roadway or risk a citation from local law enforcement and risk being cited a \$10 surcharge for unsecured loads at the landfill. Driving with loose loads can create dangerous road hazards and shows little respect to others on the road. For questions about the signage or the tarping/cover your load policy, please contact the DMC Regional Waste Commission at 753-8126 or 1-800-216-8126.

1-888-No-Litr Hotline You can now help Keep Iowa Beautiful by reporting littering and illegal dumping to the 1-888-No-Litr (665-4887) hotline. The hotline also offers information on how to adopt a roadway, park, river, lake or other public area.

HOW DO I DISPOSE OF OR RECYCLE A TELEVISION OR OTHER ELECTRONIC WASTE?



PROPERLY RECYCLE TELEVISIONS AND OTHER ELECTRONICS WITH SCREENS BY BRINGING THEM TO THE HAZCHEM CENTER OF SE IOWA, LOCATED INSIDE THE DMC REGIONAL LANDFILL.

TV sets and computer monitors are safe when they're viewed under normal conditions in homes and offices. But when owners discard or dismantle them, toxic materials inside can be a serious hazard to your health and leak into the environment if the sets are not properly recycled. Here's what's inside: **Lead:** Sets with cathode ray tubes (CRTs) contain 4 to 8 pounds. Used in screens and soldered circuit boards. Can cause brain damage, blood disorders, kidney damage and birth defects. Children are particularly vulnerable.

Mercury: Used in lamps of flat-screen liquid crystal displays (LCDs). High levels can contribute to brain and kidney damage, birth defects.

Cadmium: Used in phosphor coating of CRT screens. A

carcinogen that accumulates in the body and can cause kidney damage.

Barium: Used inside CRTs. Short-term exposure can cause neurological problems and damage to heart, liver and spleen.

BFRs: Brominated flame retardants are used in wiring. Can disrupt hormones and immune system, especially in children.

PVC: Polyvinyl chloride insulates wires. Can emit highly toxic fumes when burned and can leach out and contaminate the ground if not handled properly.



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What is Recycled 2 You?

A: Recycled 2 You is a small gift shop located inside the Area Recyclers building. The shop features a changing variety of unique new products made from recycled materials. It is not a thrift shop or re-sale shop.

How much do items cost at Recycled 2 You?

A: There are items for sale for as little as \$4 for bicycle magnets to \$45 for deluxe birdfeeders. The store's purpose is to raise awareness of what can be done with recycled materials, not to generate huge profits.

What's the most popular item sold at Recycled 2 You?

A: That's a tough question to answer because everyone has different tastes. The birdfeeders and birdhouses made from recycled plastic (and manufactured here in Iowa!) are always a good seller and great gift item. We recently stocked up on bottle lights and wine bottle faces. The recycled baskets, items made from bicycle parts, and recycled glass wind chimes, sun catchers, and ornaments are always a hit. The sports fans have been very happy with our selection of jersey purses, and mini-bags for Hawkeye, Cyclones, Cardinals, Cubs, Twins, Vikings, and Chiefs fans. The jewelry and lamps made from recycled skateboards have been catching on, too. Stop in soon to see our complete collection!

What are your hours? Phone number?

A: The store is open Monday-Friday 8am-4pm. We can try to accommodate special hours as needed during the Christmas shopping season. Our phone number is (319) 753-8126.

