



City of Greenfield Storm Water Utility – MS4 Program Household Recycling, Used Oil and Household Hazardous Waste Disposal

Recycling creates a use for unwanted manufactured products by using them as raw materials to manufacture new or recycled products. This prevents the pollution and destruction that occurs when virgin materials – like trees and precious metals – are extracted from the Earth. Recycling saves resources, prevents pollution, supports public health and creates jobs. We believe that an effective program of pollution prevention is everyone's responsibility. By participating in this endeavor, you help prevent pollution in Greenfield and surrounding communities now and in the future.

Household Recycling

While the City of Greenfield does not provide curbside or drop-off recycling, there are many ways to implement recycling of your general household products.

Paper Recycling

Several [Paper Retriever Recycling](#) bins are located across Greenfield for public use. By using Paper Retriever Recycling, you are supporting a local school or church fundraiser and saving the environment. Recycle these items in the Green and Yellow bins: newspaper, magazines, school/office papers, paperback books, work books, folders, shopping catalogs, paper bags, and junk mail. Recycle at one of these locations:



Hancock County Humane Society
Greenfield Intermediate School
Greenfield Central High School
Weston Elementary School
Greenfield Central Junior High
Faith Lutheran Church
Kroger (State Street)
JB Stephens Elementary School

Legacy Theatre
Greenfield Wal-Mart
Springtown Church of the Nazarene
Brandywine Elementary School
Otterbein United Methodist Church
Maxwell Intermediate School
Amity United Methodist

Curbside Recycling Services

[CGS Services](#), [Republic Services](#), and [Waste Management](#) can provide options for curbside recycling pick up for Greenfield residents. Curbside recyclers generally accept the following recyclables:

- Glass – clear, green, blue, brown glass containers
- Cardboard – pizza boxes, cereal boxes and shipping boxes
- Metal – soup cans, canned vegetable cans, aluminum cans, pie pans and clean aluminum foil
- Plastics – water bottles, milk jugs, detergent bottles and any #1 and #2 Plastics



Greenfield Recycling Services

The City provides several opportunities to recycle. The Greenfield Street Department provides collection services for downed tree limbs, Christmas trees, and leaves, and the Waste Water Treatment Plant serves as a collection point for grass clippings. These materials are recycled by the department and converted to mulch, which is available at no cost to residents for their use.

Also, the City owns and operates the Wastewater, Water, and Storm Water utilities, which gives the municipality a unique opportunity to have first hand control of waters re-entering the natural environment that have been received by the sanitary sewer or storm water sewer system. In addition, the Wastewater Utility not only processes the material entering the plant, but is licensed by the Indiana Department of Environmental Management to distribute the processed material to the public as a bio-solid fertilizer. Events that take place within the community to increase environmental awareness are:

- Annual mulch give-away
- Arbor Day tree seedling give-away
- Annual heavy trash pick-up
- Leaf pick-up
- America In Bloom Beautification Competition
- Greenfield In Bloom space competition
- Fall bulb planting
- Christmas tree pick-up

Used Oil Recycling



You can make a difference by recycling your used motor oil. Did you know used oil can be re-refined into base stock for lubricating oil? If you recycle just two gallons of used oil it can generate enough electricity to run the average household for almost 24 hours. Refer to the [YOU DUMP IT, YOUR DRINK IT](#) brochure on recycling used motor oil for additional information and locations.

Additionally, Advance Auto Parts and AutoZone will accept car batteries for recycling.

Household Hazardous Waste

Leftover household products that contain corrosive, toxic, ignitable, or reactive ingredients are considered to be household hazardous waste (HHW). Products, such as paints, cleaners, oils, batteries, and pesticides contain potentially hazardous ingredients require special care when you dispose of them.



Improper disposal of HHW can include pouring them down the drain, on the ground, into storm sewers, or in some cases putting them out with the trash. The dangers of such disposal methods might not be immediately obvious, but improper disposal of these wastes can pollute the environment and pose a threat to human health. Many communities in the United States offer a variety of options for conveniently and safely managing HHW.

Hancock County Solid Waste Management District (SWMD)

The [Hancock County SWMD](#) provides several collection events for residents to properly dispose of hazardous materials. The SWMD focuses on the collection of paints, electronic wastes, HHW, light bulbs, pharmaceuticals and garden pots. For more information, refer to the links below.

- The [Collection Event](#) link describes the type of materials collected at the events.
- Refer to the [Event Dates and Fees](#) link for the upcoming collection event schedule and the fees associated with some items.
- [A – Z of Recycling](#) provides waste handling instructions and other locations for your hard-to-recycle items including antifreeze, appliances, carpet, mobile phones and much more.