



Recycling Drop-Off Site Closure

Due to the excessive misuse and illegal dumping that has occurred at the Recycling Drop-off Site located at 3770 Blair Townhall Rd. in Grawn, the site will be permanently closed at the end of the business day on April 16th. [Read on....](#)



May HHW and Scrap Tire Events

The Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) and Scrap Tire events planed for May 14th are open for sign up. Should the Governors Executive Order continue through that date, the event will be canceled. Sign up information can be found [here...](#)

Celebrate Earth Day!

April 22nd will mark the 50th anniversary of the founding of Earth Day. Although we had to cancel our celebration that was going to be held at the Civic Center in Traverse City, there are plenty of great digital events to enjoy. Please visit the link below and have an excellent Earth Day!

[Earth Day Live!](#)



The Keystone Brush Site opening postponed.

The Brush and Yard Waste



drop off site located at 2471 N. Keystone Rd was scheduled to open on April 4th. Because of concerns with the spread of the Covid-19 virus, the Governor issued an Executive Order that does not permit for the opening of the brush site

at this time. Please [click here for the latest information](#) or call 231-632-5162.



Earth Celebration Cancellation

The Grand Traverse County Resource Recovery (RecycleSmart) and Parks and Recreation departments have come to the decision that it is in the best interest of our community's health and wellness to cancel the 2020 Earth

Celebration event. We are committed to continue our planning efforts to ensure that the 2021 event will be extra special . Thank you for your understanding

Looking for the latest episodes of the very popular 9&10 News TV series "Talking Trash"? Look no further. Click this [LINK](#) and you will be whisked away to the glorious land of responsible recycling!



KNOW IT BEFORE YOU THROW IT!



Have questions about where to recycle an item?

Click on the Take it Back Logo and you will be magically transported to the Take it Back Directory!

If you are unable to find a solution on the directory, please contact the Resource Recovery Department and we'll be sure to help you out!



Smoke Alarm Drop Off Program

The GTC Resource Recovery Department and the Grand Traverse Metro Fire Department have teamed up to bring GTC residents a Smoke Alarm Drop Off program.

You may now bring your old smoke alarms to either the [Grand Traverse Metro Fire Administration at 897 Parsons Rd. in Traverse City](#) or the [Grand Traverse Metro Fire Station #11 at 3000 Albany Dr. in Traverse City](#) during their normal hours of operation.



The drop off containers are located just inside the main entry doors. It is recommended that smoke alarms be tested monthly, the batteries replaced bi-annually and whole units replaced every 10 years. Batteries can be brought to any of the 9 drop off locations (listed below) around GTC. Please contact the Resource Recovery Department if you have any questions.

**119,173 lbs. of Household
Hazardous Waste and
71,456 lbs. of Scrap Tires were
collected from Grand Traverse
County Residents in 2019!**



2020 HHW Event Schedule

Thursday, May 14th - 1:00 pm to 7:00 pm (open for sign up)

Thursday, June 18th - 1:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Thursday, August 6th - 1:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Saturday, September 26th - 9:00 am to 2:00 pm

*****Appointments will not be accepted until
approximately one month before each event.*****

RESIDENTS

- Appointments are required for all HHW events and can be made by:
- Using the online scheduling system at [HHW Sign Up Page](#)
- Or, if internet access is not an option, please call the RecycleSmart hotline at 231-941-5555

NON-RESIDENTS (businesses, organizations, schools, etc.)

1. Download the [2020 VSQG Registration and Certification form](#).
2. Download the [2020 VSQG Hazardous Materials Inventory Worksheet](#).
3. Appointments are required. Call the RecycleSmart Hotline at 231-941-5555 to register for an HHW event. (VSQGs are NOT allowed to make an online appointment).
4. Not sure if you are a Very Small Quantity Generator (VSQG)? Review the State of Michigan guidelines [here](#).

What Can I Bring to a Household Hazardous Waste Event? Click [here](#).



Scrap Tire Collections 2020

May 14
August 6
September 20

Appointments **are required and can be made by calling** the Resource Recovery Department @
231-995-6075.

**Scrap Tire Collections are funded by the EGLE
Scrap Tire Grant**



Drop Off Battery Recycling
BE SURE TO TAPE ALL YOUR BATTERY TERMINALS
(CLEAR MASKING TAPE PLEASE)

Batteries from Grand Traverse County residents are accepted at any of the battery drop off locations. Batteries from commercial businesses or nonresidents are not accepted. Businesses may bring batteries to the Household Hazardous Waste Collection events.

Battery drop off boxes are at the following locations:

Building / Location	Address
Acme Township Hall	6042 Acme Road Williamsburg, MI 49690
Blair Township Hall	2121 County Road 633 Grawn, MI 49637
City of Traverse City / Grand Traverse County Building	400 Boardman Avenue Traverse City, MI 49684
Civic Center	1213 W Civic Center Drive Traverse City, MI 49686
Fife Lake True Value	119 East Lake Street Fife Lake, Mi. 49633
Grand Traverse County Public Service Building	2650 LaFranier Road Traverse City, MI 49686
Metro Emergency Services Building	897 Parson Road Traverse City, MI 49686
Traverse City Fire Department	500 W Front Street Traverse City, MI 49684
Whitewater Township Hall	5777 Vinton Road Williamsburg, MI 49690



Watch this short video on battery recycling.

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