



April News from Howard County Recycling

Covid-19 Updates – Trash and Recycling



Bureau of Environmental Services (BES) staff continue to modify Alpha Ridge Landfill (ARL) operations to provide the maximum amount of social distancing for residents, commercial visitors and employees.

The landfill remains open with normal operating hours (Monday – Saturday, 8 am to 4 pm), but should only be used by residents with no curbside collection service (either provided by the County or a private service).

New! The ONLY items that should be brought to Alpha Ridge are those that require immediate disposal such as kitchen or bathroom trash. DO NOT bring items such as bulky furniture, construction debris or large amounts of trash generated through spring cleaning and home clean outs. Delay disposal of items other than kitchen or bathroom trash until Governor Hogan lifts the 'Stay at Home' order.

New! To reduce the flow of traffic on Saturdays and to provide social distancing, a second Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) event has been added on Tuesdays for the duration of the Stay at Home order. We ask those who can wait to dispose of HHW or paint to do so, in compliance with the Stay at Home order.

For a complete list of accepted HHWs, visit our [website](#).

Long lines may occur at the the Residents' Convenience Center during operating hours, please be patient and plan accordingly. Wait times can be one hour or greater on Mondays, Fridays, and Saturdays.

Covid-19 ARL & Curbside Collection Service Reminders

Only 10 vehicles at a time are now allowed access to the Residents Convenience Center. Be patient and expect delays, especially during high volume times. (Mondays, Fridays, and Saturdays between 11:00 am and 1:00 pm and 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm are often high-volume times.) Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays are typically lighter in volume.

All residential organic material sales and give-aways (compost, mulch, topsoil, and shredded wood) are suspended until further notice.

Continue to use all CURBSIDE collection services, as these are operating normally (trash, recycling, yard trim and food scraps, bulk items, and scrap metal). However, we are noticing a large increase in the volume of material set out for collection. Consider delaying disposal of spring clean out material if possible.

Bag your trash as much as possible and be careful about how you bag it. Make sure that all trash bags are securely tied at the top and double bag any bags that have torn while filling. These measures will help us to reduce the spread of Covid-19 by protecting the health of our collection crews.

Good Friday is NOT a slide day. All trash and recycling curbside collection services will be operating normally on Friday, April 10th.

The Bureau of Environmental Service's office remains closed to the public.

We will continue to evaluate our services as needed. Call 410-313-6444 to get the most up-to-date information from our recorded message or visit our website at HowardCountyRecycles.org. We will continue to send out Constant Contact newsletters and notices to keep you as informed as possible.

Howard County Recycling
9801 Broken Land Parkway
Columbia, MD 21046
Currently closed to the public.

Alpha Ridge Landfill
2350 Marriottsville Road
Marriottsville, MD 21104
Open Mon.- Fri., 8 am to 4 pm

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