April News from Howard County Recycling

Yard Trim Collection Resumes

Yard trim resumes this week for residents in yard trim collection areas. During curbside yard trim season, Howard County will collect yard trim items ONLY on scheduled yard trim collection days.

Yard Trim Collection Guidelines

Check Your Collection Day

Household Hazardous Waste Returns this Saturday

Our Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) season resumes this Saturday, April 9. HHW collections are held every Saturday from April through November. Visit our website for a list of accepted material.

Visit our HHW Page

GreenFest Next Saturday!

GreenFest Returns to the Galleria on Saturday, April 9

Learn more

Green Bins are On the Way

Households in the Wilde Lake and Centennial Lane neighborhoods who signed up for our Feed The Green Bin Food Scrap Collection program will be receiving their green bins in early April! Eligible residents can sign up online at any time and receive a green bin. Please allow up to 7-10 business days for delivery.

Sign Up Today

Compost Demonstrations Return

The Master Gardeners are back with backyard compost demonstrations! This year, demonstrations will be held at Miller Branch Library, Robinson Nature Center, and Savage Library. Attendees will receive a FREE backyard compost bin as well as helpful tips and tricks to creating this valuable soil amendment.

Download the 2022 Schedule

Happy Earth Month!

Upcoming Events

Check out these events to help you celebrate this special time of the year.

20 Minute Cleanup

County-wide

All April Long

Participating in the 20 Minute Cleanup is easy. Just pick a location and then safely pick up the litter that you find. Use your regular trash and recycling pickup service to dispose of what you collect. Once volunteers do a cleanup, please email ocs@howardcountymd.gov with the number of people who participated and how many bags of trash and recycling collected. Pictures are encouraged!

GreenFest

Howard Community College

Saturday, April 9 10:00am - 3:00pm

GreenFest is Howard County's largest celebration of Earth Day. The event aims to connect residents with the resources that local businesses, non-profits and government provide to help anyone be a good steward to the environment.

Storm Drain Labeling and Clean Up

Dorsey Crossings Neighborhood

Sunday, April 10 10:00am - 1:00pm

Join Patapsco Heritage Greenway to clean up and label storm drains in the Dorsey Crossing Neighborhood. Labeling storm drains helps remind our neighbors that anything that goes down that drain goes directly to our streams, unfiltered. That's why we say "Nothing but Rain down the Drain!"

Earth Day 2022 Service Projects

Howard County Conservancy

Saturday, April 23 9:00am - 12:00pm

Join us for a day of service to celebrate Earth Day by lending a hand in our wild areas. There will be several volunteer projects happening, including non-native invasive plant removal, garden cleanup, and tree planting. Volunteers will check in at the welcome table and choose a project to join. Then visit the CCI Energy Team's table to swap out your old incandescent lightbulbs for (free!) energy-efficient LEDs from 10am to 12pm.

Visit our HHW Page
Slayton House  
Saturday, April 23 10:00am - 12:00pm  
Enjoy crafts for the little ones and get information about how to keep our earth happy and healthy! Special performance by WLHS's step group G4L! Native plant sale by Howard Ecoworks, seed and plant exchange, community bike ride and more!

Native Plant Palooza  
Robinson Nature Center  
Sunday, May 1 12:00pm - 4:00pm  
Shop our annual, outdoor native plant sale! Select from a large variety of shrubs, wildflowers, ground covers, trees, and edible native plants. Native plants are more tolerant to local climate, pest species and soil nutrients and require less water, fertilizer and pesticides while providing food and habitat for local species of butterflies, insects and birds. (Vendors support the center through donations.)

Alpha Ridge Landfill  
Curbside Collections  
Feed The Green Bin  
Know Before You Throw  
Bureau of Environmental Services  
9801 Broken Land Parkway  
Columbia, MD 21046  
Monday - Friday, 8am - 5pm  
Alpha Ridge Landfill  
2350 Marriottsville Rd  
Marriottsville, MD 21104  
Monday - Saturday, 8am - 4pm  

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