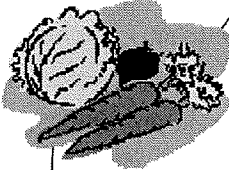




THE DIVERSION DIGEST

THE COUNTY OF DUFFERIN WASTE MANAGEMENT NEWSLETTER

Waste Free Winter!



Support local farmers.

Local produce travels less distance to get to the plate. That means there's less stress on the planet, it's much fresher than goods that come from other countries and it supports our local farmers. Also consider buying meats, cheeses and other foods locally.



Paper NOT Plastic.

Using real plates is best, but if you need to have disposable dishes, make sure they are paper, or styrofoam. Paper plates (without waxy film) can go in the green bin; they are fully compostable. Styrofoam plates can be recycled if they are relatively clean.

Make all your
Winter
celebrations
sustainable!

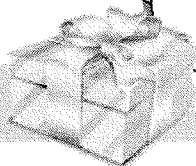


Christmas Trees

Get a real tree! Fake trees are often made from petroleum & hundreds of chemicals, & eventually they all end up in landfills. Picking out a tree can also be a fun family tradition.

Use Non Foil Wrapping Paper.

This holiday season, use non foil wrapping paper to wrap presents as it is accepted in your local Blue Box program. You could avoid using wrapping paper altogether by using gift baskets or reusable bags instead.



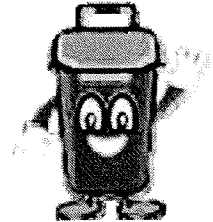
DUFFERIN COMPOSTS!

Getting Started

- Rearrange your cupboard to fit a small kitchen catcher.
- Try this in your bathrooms as well. Tissues and hair can also go into your green bin. Additional kitchen catchers can be purchased for \$5 at your local municipality.
- Approximately 30% of your household waste is compostable and can go in the green bin!
- To help keep your kitchen catcher and green bin clean, line it with a paper bag, newspaper or a certified compostable bag. Look for the BPI logo.



Please remember plastic bags are NOT allowed.



- Fill your kitchen catcher or green bin with food waste and other household organic waste.
- Place your green bin to the curb by 6:45am on your collection day.

WHAT GOES IN A KITCHEN CATCHER?

ALL food wastes including:

- ✓Plate scrapings
- ✓Bones, dairy, and eggs
- ✓Meats (raw or cooked)
- ✓Cooking oil and fat
- ✓Tea bags and coffee grounds and filters
- ✓Fruits and vegetables

Did you know you can compost these non-food items as well?

- ✓Cotton balls and tissue
- ✓Greasy pizza boxes
- ✓Paper towels
- ✓Hair and pet fur
- ✓Microwave popcorn bags
- ✓Paper plates (without waxy film)
- ✓Flowers and plants
- ✓Sawdust, wood-chips



NO PLASTIC, PAKAGING, OR GARBAGE

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE AND ELECTRONIC GOODS RECYCLING DAYS

Household Hazardous Waste

Many products we use every-day can pose significant risks to our health and the environment.

Household cleaners, pesticides, paints, and automotive oils are just a few examples of household hazardous wastes (HHW).

Hazardous materials dumped down the drain or sent to landfills can poison drinking water supplies, and contaminate soil.

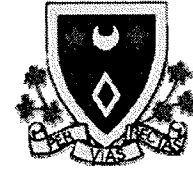


For example, the used oil from one oil change can contaminate more than 3.7 million litres of fresh water, which is enough water to supply 50 people for a year!



Electronic Waste

Computers, televisions, cell-phones and other electronics typically contain harmful heavy metals, including lead and mercury.

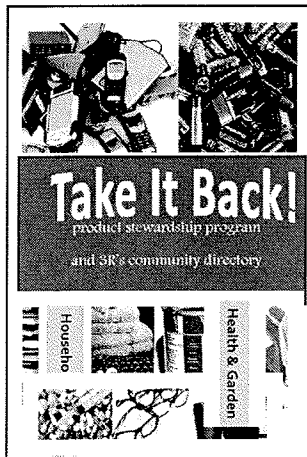


Dufferin County Event Days

Residents of Dufferin County are asked to bring their household hazardous waste and electronic waste to our event days held throughout the year. Please visit our website at <http://www.dufferincounty.on.ca> or call 519-941-2816 x 2620 for more information.

TAKE IT BACK!

PRODUCT STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM AND 3 R'S COMMUNITY DIRECTORY



Another option to dispose of HHW and e-waste is through our Take it Back directory. Our 2012 Take It Back Directory is a one-stop shop to find out the retailers, vendors and organizations that you can "bring back" items for reuse, recycling or proper disposal.

Examples of accepted items:

Automotive: tires, oil, batteries, scrap metal, etc.

Electronic: cell phones and batteries, vacuums, small appliances, televisions, computers, etc.

Garden: pots, vases, etc.

Health: old medication, syringes, eyeglasses, wheelchairs and walkers, etc.

Household: clothing, books, sports equipment, hangers, paint, etc.

COUNTY OF DUFFERIN

For more information about all of these exciting programs, please contact the County of Dufferin's Waste Management Division.

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EASY TIPS TO REDUCING YOUR WASTE!

- 1. Practice Smart Shopping:** Buy only what you need. Try shopping at a second hand store and donating old clothing.
- 2. Use Your Recycling Bin:** Check the website of your local municipality for what is accepted in the Blue Box. Only buy containers and materials that are recyclable.
- 3. Compost:** Use your Green Bin! Make sure materials bought for celebrations are compostable.
- 4. Electronic Mail:** Sign up to receive bank statements and flyers online to cut down on the amount of paper being used.
- 5. Recycle Your Hazardous Waste and Electronics:** Take advantage of our Household Hazardous and Electronic Goods Recycling Days or use the Take It Back directory to find a vendor nearest you that will dispose of it properly.

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Building & Public Works

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Employment Centre

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Orangeville
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Museum

Hwy 89 and Airport Road
Mulmur
1-877-941-7787

Early Years Centres:

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ville
(519) 941-6991

151 Centre Street, Shel-
burne
(519) 925-5504

90 Main Street North,
Grand Valley
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Centre

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