

# News Release



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## County Holds Recycling Collection Event Nov. 16 for America Recycles Day

*Citizens asked to bring recyclable items to Community Collection Day event*

[Charleston County's Environmental Management Department](#) (CEM) is celebrating [America Recycles Day](#) by hosting Community Collection Day, an event that will provide residents with a location to drop off unwanted items that are not collected as part of the County's residential curbside recycling program. The collection event will be held from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 16, at [James Island Elementary School](#) located at 1872 S. Grimball Road on James Island.

America Recycles Day is a nationally-recognized day dedicated to promoting recycling. Sponsored by [Keep America Beautiful](#), the day aims to promote events across the country that educate and encourage citizens to work together to increase recycling in their communities.

Locally, the Nov. 16 event will help divert recyclable material from the Bees Ferry Landfill, and will also highlight the benefits of reuse and remind Charleston County residents of other options for disposal. Pet Helpers, Goodwill, and Habitat for Humanity will have staff at the event to collect certain materials for their organizations.

"Charleston County's Community Collection Day provides an opportunity for residents to recycle a wide range of items that can be dropped off at one central location while celebrating a national recycling day," said [Charleston County's Solid Waste Committee Chair and County Councilmember Anna Johnson](#). "This special event supports [County Council's](#) 40% recycling goal and raises awareness about the principles of reuse and recycling."

On Nov. 16, CEM will accept recyclable material that is normally collected curbside, as well as other recyclable items such as paint and electronic waste that can be dropped off to be recycled or reused by community partners. County staff will be on hand to answer recycling questions and provide information to citizens.

**Below is the full [list of items](#) that will be accepted at the Nov. 16 event.**

- Paint
- Tires
- Household chemicals
- Motor oil and cooking oil (in disposable container)
- E-waste: printers, TVs, computers, fax machines
- CDs/DVDs/CD cases
- VHS tapes/cassette tapes
- Extension cords/holiday lights
- All paper products (i.e., cardboard, books, magazines, newspaper, gift wrap, junk mail)
- Batteries
- Light bulbs
- Eyeglasses and hearing aides
- Tennis balls
- Clean plastic grocery bags

- Confidential documents for onsite shredding
- **Pet Helpers** would like towels, blankets, pet crates, collars, leashes, etc.
- **Goodwill** would like clothing, shoes, furniture, functioning appliances, tools and home décor
- **Habitat for Humanity** would like items from home renovations such as cabinets and sinks

**Items NOT collected:**

- Garbage
- Yard waste
- Needles
- Ammunition
- Medication
- Non-functioning appliances
- Charleston County Environmental Management reserves the right to refuse any item(s).

For more information on recycling, contact [Charleston County's Environmental Management Department](#) at (843) 720-7111 or visit [recycle.charlestoncounty.org](http://recycle.charlestoncounty.org).

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