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County Holds Recycling Collection Event Nov. 15 for America Recycles Day

Citizens asked to bring recyclable items to Community Collection Day event

[Charleston County's Environmental Management Department](#) (CCEM) 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. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 15, at the [Charleston County East Cooper Service Center](#) located at 1189 Sweetgrass Basket Parkway in Mt. Pleasant.

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. Last year's event on James Island served close to 200 people and collected more than 5,000 items.

Locally, the Nov. 15 event will help divert recyclable material from the Bees Ferry Landfill, and will also highlight the benefits of reuse and will remind Charleston County residents of other options for disposal. Goodwill will have staff at the event to collect certain materials for their organization, and Cintas will be on site to shred and recycle confidential documents.

On Nov. 15, CCEM 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. 15 event.

- Paint
- 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
- Clean plastic grocery bags and plastic film (i.e. dry cleaning bags)

- Confidential documents for onsite shredding
- Goodwill would like to receive clothing, shoes, furniture, functioning appliances, tools and home décor.

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](#).

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