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## Free Earth Day event to offer document shredding, recycling center tours, themed activities

Charleston County Environmental Management will host a free Earth Day event for Charleston County residents on Saturday, April 19 from 9 a.m. to noon at the Recycling Center located at 8099 Palmetto Commerce Parkway. This family-friendly event will feature a range of opportunities to recycle and learn about the recycling process.

- · Free confidential document shredding
- Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) drop-off
  - Offered for electronics (TVs, printers, monitors, and computers ONLY), used paint, herbicides, pesticides, etc. No trash or recycling, please.
- · Earth Day-themed art contest
  - Children under 12 are invited to create their best Earth Day-themed art during the event. The winning art piece will be framed and hung at the Recycling Center.
- Mini recycling center tours at 9 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 10 a.m., 10:30 a.m., and 11 a.m.
- Tour of education space and recycling discussion with staff

The event will be held rain or shine and is for residents only, not commercial businesses.

Earth Day is an annual event celebrated on April 22. Worldwide, various events are held to demonstrate support for environmental protection. First celebrated in 1970, Earth Day events are now coordinated in hundreds of countries.

For more information on recycling, please contact Charleston County's Environmental Management Department at (843) 720-7111 or visit recycle.charlestoncounty.org.

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