

DuPage County Recycling Guide



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Welcome,

Thanks to our residents and businesses, DuPage County continues to exceed state goals for recycling. With vast amounts of waste being generated, residents and businesses are doing their part to divert tons of material from the waste stream through recycling.

This resource guide lists a variety of options and programs available to help residents manage hazardous and other types of solid waste in an environmentally safe manner.

It is my goal to continue offering environmental programs to help DuPage County remain a great place to live, work, and raise a family.

Most sincerely,

Robert J. Schillerstrom
Chairman, DuPage County Board



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Note: The County's publication of this document is provided as a service to the residents of DuPage County. Inclusion is not intended as an endorsement of any of these companies, nor has the County purposely excluded any additional parties that may provide waste reduction or recycling services.

While the County has tried to obtain the most current information available, the contents of this Recycling Guide are subject to change.

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Automotive Products

Automotive products may only be dropped off during business hours. If service stations continue to find fluids, tires, and batteries left outside their buildings, they will not continue to offer these recycling services. Residents can also check with other automotive repair/maintenance locations that are in their area.

Addison

Krage's Mobil Service Center (630-832-9800)
191 E. Lake St.

Accepts auto, marine and motorcycle batteries at no charge. Accepts air filters oil filters and antifreeze, gasoline, motor oil and transmission fluid for \$.50/gal. Accepts waste tires starting at \$2.00 up to \$5.00 depending on size.

Aurora

Farnsworth Auto Service (630-898-5510)
1175 N. Farnsworth

Accepts auto, marine and motorcycle batteries. Accepts gasoline, motor oil and transmission fluid. Accepts waste tires starting at \$2.25 up to \$10.00 depending on size.

Bloomingtondale

Oil Delux (630-351-5898)
250 S. Gary Ave. #100

Accepts: motor oil and transmission fluid.

Carol Stream

Goodyear Army Trail Tire & Service Center
980 Army Trail Road (630-830-0900)

Accepts auto and marine batteries. Accepts antifreeze for \$1.00/gallon, motor oil for \$1.00 per gallon. Accepts waste tires for \$2.50.

Darien

Oil Express (630-986-9178)
6722 Route 83

Accepts motor oil and transmission fluid during business hours only. Customer must take back original container.

Downers Grove

Fullserv Oil Change (630-964-6457)
1500 Ogden Ave.

Accepts motor oil and transmission fluid during business hours only.

Wheaton

Firestone of Wheaton (630-682-5050)
301 W. Butterfield Rd.

Accepts auto, marine and motorcycle batteries. Accepts oil filters, antifreeze, motor oil and transmission fluid. Accepts tires w/o rims for \$2.50.

Wood Dale

TJV's Marathon Service (630-766-0628)
389 E. Irving Park Rd. M-F 8 am – 6 pm

Accepts auto, marine and motorcycle batteries. Accepts antifreeze, motor oil, and transmission fluid. Accepts tires w/o rims for \$3.00. No large truck tires. 5-gallon maximum. Limit 2 batteries/visit. No service on weekend.

Woodridge

Oil X-Change (630-985-8955)
7520 Woodward Ave.

Accepts motor and transmission fluid. Only during business hours. No drop off on Saturdays. Customer must take back original container. No quart bottles.

Appliances

Stoves and refrigerators are bulky and some contain CFC gases, capacitors, and other components that are hazardous to the environment. Therefore, proper disposal is critical. Contact your waste hauler to see how large appliance pickup is handled. When left at the curb, the door should be removed. In addition, large appliances are accepted at the businesses listed below.

Residents located within a municipality should check with their waste hauler for disposal. These items can be picked up at the curb in some municipalities.

The Crusher

651 W. Washington St.
West Chicago, IL
630-231-6888

Drop off large appliances such as stoves, water heaters, washers, dryers. No refrigerators or freezers accepted.

Appliance Pickup Service

Phone: (773) 276-0599
Call for details of pickup service.

1-800-Got-Junk

Call for details of pickup service.
www.1800gotjunk.com

Junk King

1-866-458-6554
Call for details of pickup service.

Environmental Field Service

1-800-480-4337
Call for details of pickup service.

Batteries (Rechargeable)

Check out Rechargeable Battery Recycling Corporation's website at www.RBRC.com for the closest location. RBRC lists recycling opportunities at select Radio Shack, Ace Hardware, Target, Office Depot, Sears, Home Depot, Lowe's, Best Buy, Circuit City, Cingular Wireless, US Cellular, Verizon, Sam's Club, Office Max and other retail locations.

Books

For information on reuse and recycling of textbooks and other books, visit the SCRAP Book Rescue Program website at www.bookrescue.org or call 630-545-9710. Additionally, many of the resale shops listed in this guide will accept books.

Carpet Recycling

PCI Flortech, Inc.

910 West National Avenue
Addison, IL
630-980-0100

Drop-off hours are from 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Check-in at the front desk for directions. The carpet must be dry and free from all other construction materials. Cost is \$1.00 per yard payable by Visa, Mastercard, cash or personal check at time of drop off.

Cellular Phones

Many cellular phone providers will accept phones at their retail locations. Cellular phones are also collected for charitable organizations. Check out the earth911.org website for information on these organizations and how to donate your cellular phone. Phones can also be dropped off at SCARCE's office at 799 Roosevelt Rd., Bldg #2, Suite #108; Glen Ellyn, IL, 630-545-9710.

Construction & Demolition Debris

K. Hoving Recycling & Disposal

2351 Powis Rd.
West Chicago, IL
630-377-7000

Accepts: Asphalt, brick, concrete, wood, wood pallets, shingles, aluminum siding and cardboard from construction for a fee.

Crush-Crete, Inc.

600 S. Lombard Rd.
Addison, IL
630-627-1713

Accepts: Asphalt and concrete for a fee.

Construction and Demolition Reuse Opportunities

ReUseIt Center

1530 Hubbard Avenue
Batavia, IL
630-761-4240
www.reuseitcenter.org

Accepts new and used building materials from contractors, suppliers, individuals, remodelers and property managers. Only ReUseIt managers can determine if items will be saleable at the Center. The Center reserves the right to turn down material if the staff determines that the item offered would not sell well at the Center.

Habitat ReStore

860 N. State St.
Elgin, IL
847-742-9905
Wed – Sat 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Donations of new and gently used home improvement materials accepted including furniture, appliances and kitchen cabinets removed in remodeling. Donated items are offered for sale at ReStore with proceeds benefiting Habitat for Humanity in the area. See web site for listing of items accepted, hours and location. Call before dropping off.

Electronics

Batavia

HOB International, Inc.
1202 Nagel Blvd.
630-761-0500
Accepts: Computers and electronics. Fees charged for certain items.

Broadview

Air Cycle
800-909-9709
www.aircycle.com
Accepts: Electronic waste and electronic scrap including computers and office equipment. Conducts transporting and recycling of equipment.

Elgin

MRK Group Ltd.
801 N. State St., Unit C
847-468-1700 ext. 2213
www.mrkgroup.com
Accepts: Monitors, printers, computers and laptops \$5-\$15, CD's, diskettes, data cartridges, cassette tapes, video tapes etc. Last Friday of every month users may drop off older computer equipment at no charge. There is a 10 item limit. **Form from website must be completed prior to attending the event.**

Elk Grove Village

Belmont Technology
1401 Mark St.
847-750-9354
Accepts: Ink cartridges & ribbons \$.15/lb, computers and electronics and monitors and printers \$10.00/each, CD's, diskettes, cassette tapes, video tapes etc. \$.15/lb
Contact Mike Gianneschi before dropping off any recycling at 847-750-9354 or email at mike@belmont-trading.com

Lombard

Supply Chain Services
250 W North Ave.
630-629-9344
SSI@supply-chainservices.com email
www.ssi@supply-chainservices.com
Drop off: Mon.-Fri. 8:30 a.m. – 12 p.m. and 12:30 p.m. - 5 p.m.
Accepts: Computer systems, monitors, office equipment, telecommunication equipment, audio systems, small home appliances, TVs, electronic media, cartridges and ribbons etc. Fee charged. Call for schedule of fees.

Elk Grove Village

Micomp
2700 Carl Blvd.
630-860-4607
Accepts: Computers, monitors, printers, servers, network equipment at **no charge**. Drop offs accepted Mon. – Fri. 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.

West Chicago

United Recycling Industries
1600 Harvester
630-231-6060
Accepts: ink jet cartridges, CDs, diskettes, data cartridges, cassette tapes, video tapes, cell phones, computers and electronics for \$.25/lb. No items with fluids or refrigerants. Residential drop-off service Mon.-Fri. 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. Businesses call for program details.

Bloomington

Cartridge World
(630) 893-6300
Recycles ink and toner cartridges and accepts electronic items (printers, copiers, computers etc.). Call for details.

Fluorescent Lamp Recycling

Air Cycle Corporation

800-909-9709 Recycling Nationwide
www.aircycle.com or www.lamprecycle.com

Everlights

8500 W. 191st St. Ste. 1
Mokena, IL
815-469-0631
www.everlights.com

River Shannon Recycling

6400 Chestnut St., Ste 100
Morton Grove, IL
847-581-2890

Mercury Waste Solutions Inc.

www.mwsi.com
21211 Durand Ave.
Union Grove, WI
800-741-3343 pickup
800-664-1434 pre-paid postage boxes

Fluorocycle, Inc.

27780 W. Concrete Dr., Unit A
Ingleside, IL
815-363-4411 phone
815-636-4422 fax

Heating Oil Tank Removal

Cicero Oil Company

6259 S. Kenneth Ave.
Niles, IL
847-486-0064
www.cicero-oil.com

Household Hazardous Waste

Regional Household Hazardous Waste Facility

1979 Brookdale Road, Fire Station #4
Naperville, IL
www.naperville.il.us

Saturdays and Sundays except holidays 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Businesses, institutions, governments, non-profits and other non-household entities may **NOT** drop off waste at this facility. Household hazardous waste includes only materials purchased for cleaning or maintaining a home.

Accepts: Oil-based paint, stain, varnish, solvents, automotive fluids, aerosol cans, household cleaners, mercury, 20-lb propane tanks, poisons, pesticides, insecticides, flammables, household batteries, sealed fluorescent light bulbs and tubes, hobby chemicals, expired and unused prescription medications.

Not Accepted: Latex paint, smoke detectors, fire extinguishers and ammunition.

The facility is located approximately 1 mile south of I-88 tollway off of IL RT 59. Turn east onto Brookdale Rd. from IL RT 59.

Latex Paint Management

The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency has determined that latex paint is not toxic and therefore, latex paint is no longer accepted at household hazardous waste collection events or the regional household hazardous waste disposal facility.

The County has entered into a partnership for latex paint recycling. The recycling program operates in the summer months. Information on this program can be obtained by calling the event hotline at 630-407-6760 or the Department of Public Works at 630-985-7400 in the summer.

Things you can do with extra latex paint:

- **Keep painting!** Continue painting the wall until the paint is used up.
- **Paint something!** A piece of cardboard can be painted until the paint is gone.
- **Store it for later.** You can wrap the opening with plastic wrap and replace and secure the lid. Store the paint upside down. This provides a tighter seal. Prevent from freezing.
- **Dry it!** You can use an absorbent like kitty litter, sawdust, shredded paper or anything else that will absorb moisture. Once dried, the can be disposed with regular garbage service. Leave the lid off so the driver can see that the can is dry. Waste haulers will not accept liquid paint. It can leak in the truck, onto the street or driveway or at the waste transfer station.

Propane Tanks & Fire Extinguishers

Propane cylinders and tanks are hazardous because they are pressurized with a flammable gas and must be managed with special care. Small propane cylinders (used with camping stoves, etc.) **must be empty and depressurized** in order to be disposed of in the regular trash.

Amerigas Propane

4158 Division
Hillside, IL 60162
708-544-1131
Accepts propane cylinders between
4 and 100 lbs.

The Crusher

651 W. Washington St.
West Chicago, IL
630-231-6888
Drop off propane cylinders, propane tanks.

Aurora Tri-State Fire Protection

1080 Corporate Blvd.
Aurora, IL
630-978-0600
Accepts all pressurized &
depressurized fire extinguishers.
Drop off Mon. – Fri., 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Recycling Drop-Off Centers

Addison Recycling Station

711 N. Addison Rd.
North Wastewater Treatment Plant
630-279-2140
Mon. – Fri. 8 a.m. – 3 p.m. and Sat. 8 a.m. – noon

Accepts: Newspaper, corrugated cardboard, paperboard (chipboard), high grade paper, mixed paper (junk mail), magazines and catalogs, telephone books, wet strength carrier stock, frozen food packaging, aseptic packaging (juice boxes), gable top containers (milk & juice cartons), glass bottles and jars, aluminum cans, foil and baking pans, steel and bi-metal cans, formed steel containers, empty aerosol cans, empty paint cans (no paint residue), #1 PETE plastic bottles, #1 PETE custom containers, #2 HDPE plastic bottles, #2 HDPE custom containers, #6 polystyrene plastic (expanded/foam), #6 polystyrene plastic (rigid), #6 polystyrene packing blocks and 6-pack and 12-pack rings.

Waste Management Recycle America of DuPage

550 N. Center Ave.; Carol Stream
630-752-1610
Open 24 hours/day

Accepts: Newspaper, corrugated cardboard, paperboard (chipboard), high grade paper, mixed paper (junk mail), magazines and catalogs, telephone books, wet strength carrier stock, frozen food packaging, glass bottles and jars, aluminum cans, foil and baking pans, steel and bi-metal cans, formed steel containers, empty aerosol cans, empty paint cans (no paint residue), #1 PETE plastic bottles, #1 PETE custom containers, #2 HDPE plastic bottles, #2 HDPE custom containers, #3 & #4 plastic bottles, #5 & #7 plastic containers, 6-pack and 12-pack rings and plastic grocery bags.

Resale & Reuse

Some resale shops may provide pickup as well as drop-off services so be sure to call first. Donations should be in usable/working condition unless otherwise noted. Check your local yellow pages for other resale shops in your area.

Aurora

Hope Chest – Wayside Cross
36 N. Lincoln Ave.
630-892-2785
Hours: M-F 9 a.m. – 5:45 p.m. and
Sat. 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Accepts: Books, records, CDs, DVDs,
(no software), good usable household
goods, working appliances (no
computers), home décor, vehicles,
sporting goods and bath/kitch. fixtures,
unstained mattresses.

Naperville

St. Johns Pennywise Shoppe
750 Aurora Ave.
630-355-0467
Hours: Tues, Wed. 10 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.
Thurs. Noon – 7 p.m., Friday Noon – 3 p.m.
Saturday 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Accepts Children's clothing, children's books
& toys, Women's maternity-wear, plus size
clothing, handbags, & shoes, Men's suits,
blazers, shoes, coats, briefcases, working
small appliances, gently used housewares.
Does not accept furniture or mattresses.

Resale & Reuse Continued

Elmhurst

Elmhurst Memorial Hospital Guild Resale Shop (Pink Elephant)
121 W. First St.
630-834-7379
Hours: Mon. – Sat. 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.
Accepts: Books (no textbooks), clothing, housewares, furniture, toys, jewelry.

Glen Ellyn

S.C.A.R.C.E.
799 Roosevelt Rd., Bldg #2, Suite108
Glen Ellyn, IL 60137
630-545-9710
Accepts: Cell phones, large Altoid and other brand metal boxes for crayon project; working overhead projectors and other usable office supplies for teachers. **MUST CALL IN ADVANCE.**

West Chicago

St. Vincent DePaul
213 Main St.
630-562-4801
Hours: 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Accepts: Books, household goods, clothing, furniture, small operating appliances, sporting goods, toys and mattresses without stains. **No magazines.**

Various locations throughout DuPage County

U'SAgain
Call 630-293-1239 for nearest drop box location.
www.usagain.com
Accepts clothes and shoes.

Scrap Metal

West Side Recycling Corp.

3316 W. North Ave.
Stone Park, IL
708-343-8885
Hours: Mon. – Fri. 7 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.
Sat. 7 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.
Accepts: All scrap metals including aluminum, brass, copper, steel, stainless steel and iron. Also accepts lead-acid batteries and auto parts/cores.

The Recycling Depot

905-9 N. Ridge
Lombard, IL
630-629-8760
Hours: Mon. – Fri. 9:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Sat. 8:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
Accepts: Aluminum, brass, copper, stainless steel, aluminum cans, lead and carbide.

Fox Valley Iron & Metal Corp.

637 N. Broadway
Aurora, IL
630-897-5907
Hours: Mon. – Fri. 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.
Sat. 8 a.m. – noon
Accepts: All scrap metals including aluminum, brass, copper, stainless steel and iron, lead acid batteries, appliances not containing refrigerant, gold and silver.

Addison Recycling

607 Winthrop Ave. Unit 2
Addison, IL
630-543-9868
Hours: Mon. – Fri. 9 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Sat. 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Accepts: aluminum, brass, copper, iron, lead, nickel, and carbide. Materials should be separated.

Sharps/Needle Disposal

Stericycle

1-800-355-8773

Stericycle operates a mail back program. Information can be obtained by calling or by visiting their website at www.stericycle.com/sharps.

Waste Management and Sharps Compliance Inc.

1-877-WASTEMD

Waste Management and Sharps Compliance Inc. are working together to assist in the proper disposal of needles. Call or visit the website at <http://www.wastemd.com/> for information

Tires

Many local auto repair or automotive sales retail outlets accept waste tires. You can also see the "*Automotive Products*" section on page 3 of this Guide for listings.

Yard Waste

DuPage Yard Waste

1195 W. Washington St.
West Chicago
630-876-8900

Accepts: Grass clippings, branches, leaves etc. Call for rates and hours.

Land & Lakes Co. Willow Ranch Facility

1371 N. Joliet Rd.
Romeoville
630-739-0398

Accepts: Grass clippings, branches, leaves etc. Call for rates and hours.

E.C. Rizzi

499 Murphy Rd.
Bolingbrook
630-898-3333

Accepts: Grass clippings, branches, leaves etc. Call for rates and hours.

Visit DuPage County's website at www.dupageco.org/edp/ and click on "Waste, Recycling and Energy" for updated information on collection events, disposal, recycling, and energy conservation tips.

