RAMSEY COUNTY

RECYCLING GUIDE

Household Recycling, Organics Recycling, Yard Waste, Household Hazardous Waste & More









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FOR MORE INFORMATION

RamseyRecycles.com, Live Chat feature



AskEH@ramseycounty.us

651-633-EASY (3279), answered 24/7

Business recycling:

Learn how your business can save money by recycling. Visit BizRecyling.com.



Online recycling and disposal guide for residents:

For recycling and disposal options, visit RamseyRecycles.com/AtoZ.

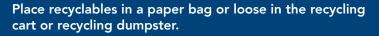






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RECYCLE THESE ITEMS











GLASS BOTTLES AND JARS

CARTONS

- Empty and rinse.
- Do not crush.
- Empty and rinse.
- Remove caps and place in trash.
- Empty and rinse.
- Do not flatten.
- Can leave caps on.





PLASTIC CONTAINERS

- Empty and rinse.
- Do not flatten.
- Can leave caps on.

PAPER AND BOXES

- Cardboard boxes (all types).
- Flatten and keep dry.
- Mail, magazines and newspapers (with inserts).
- Office, school and scrap papers.
- Paper towel and toilet paper tubes.



Do not include plastic bags. They can jam sorting machines at recycling facilities.

Please bring plastic bags to a retailer or visit **PlasticFilmRecycling.org** to find drop-off locations.



Apartment and Condo Tenants

State law requires that all residents have the opportunity to recycle. Contact your building manager, landlord or city to request recycling service if it is not currently available.



Please do not include the following items in your recycling cart or recycling dumpster.

- Batteries.
- Containers with paint, used oil, antifreeze and other hazardous products.
- Diapers.
- Dishes, vases and mirrors.
- Electronics.
- Foil pouches, bags and wrappers.
- Needles and syringes.

- Paper cups, plastic straws and utensils.
- Pipes, hangers, pots and pans, and other scrap metal.
- Plastic bags, Styrofoam[™], bubble wrap and other plastic wrap, and black plastic.
- Propane and fuel tanks.
- Ropes, hoses, chains, string lights and other items that may coil around equipment.



ORGANICS RECYCLING

Items Accepted

- Food scraps.
- Meat and bones.
- Dairy.
- Coffee grounds and filters.
- Tissues and paper towels.

- Delivery pizza boxes.
- Paper egg cartons.
- Paper cups and plates (unlined/uncoated).
- Animal and pet food.

Visit RamseyRecycles.com/OR for a full list.

Put your food scraps to work year-round

Bring your food waste and non-recyclable paper to a Ramsey County yard waste collection site or 24/7 drop-off site (see pages 7-8). Open year-round. Ramsey County residents only. No business waste.

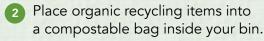
Recycle your organics in 3 easy steps

1 Visit RamseyRecycles.com/OR and find out what items are accepted.











Bring your compostable bag to a collection site (see pages 7-8).





YARD WASTE GOLLECTION SITES

How to recycle at a yard waste collection site in 3 easy steps

1 Gather leaves, grass and garden waste separately from trees, branches and shrubs. No stumps.









- 2 Bring yard waste to a Ramsey County collection site. See pages 7-8 for hours and locations.
- 3 Add waste to designated yard waste piles. If you have questions, ask a site monitor.





Don't put leaves, grass clippings, brush and other plant material in the trash. It's against the law!



Do you use a fire pit?

Be considerate of your neighbors – never burn wet wood, recently cut wood, plastic, garbage or yard waste. They can be toxic and create more smoke.



To prevent the spread of EAB, please dispose of all tree waste at a Ramsey County yard waste site (see pages 7-8).

Visit www.mda.state.mn.us/eab to learn more.



YARD WASTE & ORGANICS RECYCLING COLLECTION SITES

Items Accepted	Leaves & Grass	Shrubs & Branches	Organics Recycling
ARDEN HILLS 3530 Hudson Ave. Arden Hills	✓	✓	~
BATTLE CREEK 389 S. Winthrop St. Saint Paul	✓		✓
COMO PARK - 24/7 1149 Beulah Ln. Saint Paul			✓
FRANK AND SIMS 1150 Sims Ave. Saint Paul	✓	✓	✓
MIDWAY 1943 Pierce Butler Rt. Saint Paul	✓	✓	✓
MOUNDS VIEW 8307 Long Lake Rd. Mounds View	✓		✓
SAINT ANTHONY - 24/7 3301 Silver Lake Rd. NE St. Anthony			✓
SUMMIT HILL 870 Pleasant Ave. Saint Paul	✓		✓
WHITE BEAR TWP 5900 Sherwood Rd. White Bear Township	✓	✓	✓

Free and open to Ramsey County residents only. Photo ID required.

April - November

Weather Permitting

Mon., Wed., Fri.: 11 a.m. – 7 p.m.

Saturday: 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Sunday: 11 a.m. – 5 p.m.

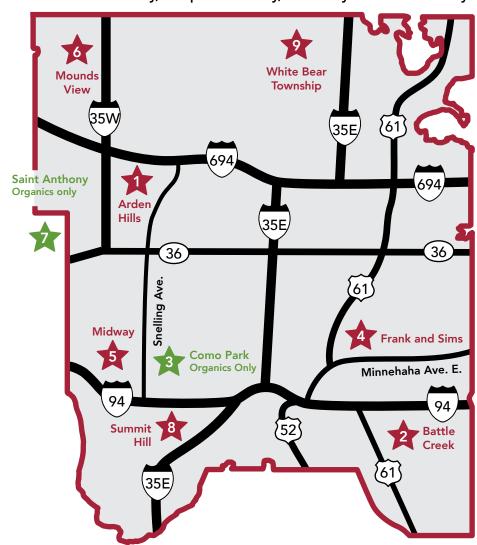
Tues. and Thurs.: closed

December - March

Weather Permitting
Saturday: 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Sunday: 11 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Mon. - Fri.: closed

Closed: Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day and Christmas Day.



HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE (HHW)

Year-Round Collection Site

Open to residents of Ramsey, Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin and Washington counties. Photo ID required.

April – November Tuesday – Friday 11 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Saturday 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

December – March Friday and Saturday 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.



Closed: New Year's Day, Independence Day, Thanksgiving Day, Friday after Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.

Used Oil and Filter Collection Shed

This collection site has a self-service used oil and filter collection shed that is open 24/7. Antifreeze is also accepted. Keep them separate.



HHW COLLECTION SITES

Items Accepted

- Antifreeze.
- Batteries (vehicle/rechargeable/button).
- Bug killers/repellents.
- Cell phones.
- Cleaners.
- Cooking oil (must be liquid).
- Electrical cords and string lights.
 (no battery packs)
- Fluorescent lights.
- Gasoline.
- Mercury thermometers.
- Needles (see page 11).
- Paint (see page 11).
- Propane tanks.
- Used oil and filters.
- Weed killer.

Visit RamseyRecycles.com/HHW for more items.

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Propane Tank Dangers

Do not put propane tanks in the trash or recycling cart. They can cause an explosion.

Bring them to an HHW site.

Items safe to put in trash

- Alkaline batteries (AA, AAA, C, D).
- Dried up latex paint (remove lid).
- Drywall compound (including joint, taping and filler).
- Empty aerosol cans and other containers (except propane cylinders).

Only

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paint?

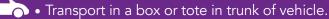
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• Latex or water-based caulk.

Safe Transport Tips:





• Never mix chemicals.

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Appliances and Electronics: See pages 17-20.

Business Waste: Call 651-266-1199 for business waste assistance.

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HHW MOBILE GOLLECTION SITES

Free Mobile Collection Sites, April - October

Friday: 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. Saturday: 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Locations and Schedule



April · Maplewood · 1850 White Bear Ave. N.



May · Arden Hills · 1352 Ben Franklin Rd.



June · Roseville · 1725 Kent St.



July · Arden Hills · 1352 Ben Franklin Rd.



August · Summit Hill · 848 Pleasant Ave.



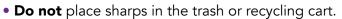
September · Como Park · 1660 Como Ave.

*Open after Labor Day



October · Maplewood · 1850 White Bear Ave. N.

Needles and Syringes (Sharps)





- Place empty needles and syringes in a hard-sided plastic container with a screw-on cap (like a detergent bottle) and label it "Sharps".
- Bring your sharps container to an HHW collection site. Please inform staff when you drop them off. They will ask you to place your sharps in the collection box.
- Sharps containing medicine should be brought to a medicine collection site (see pages 15-16).

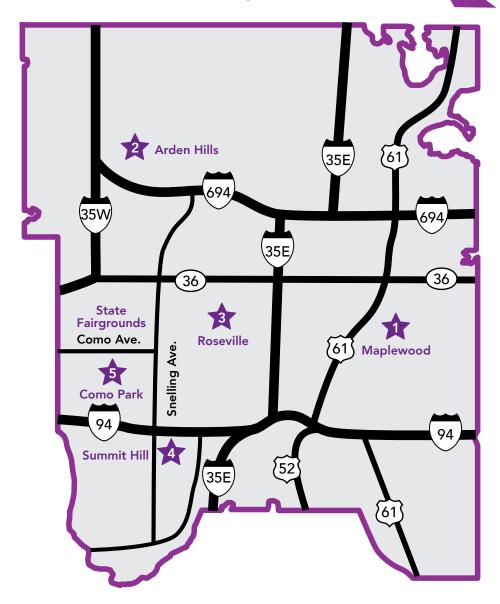


Do you only have paint to recycle?

Visit PaintCare.org to find a participating paint store for free recycling.

HHW MOBILE COLLECTION SITES

Mobile Collection Site Map





PRODUCT REUSE GENTER



Find FREE Paint and More

Visit the Product Reuse Center at Ramsey County's year-round household hazardous waste (HHW) collection site (page 9). Products are available on a first-come, first-served basis and selection will vary. Must be 18 years or older to participate.

Types of Items Available

- Automotive products, oil, antifreeze, motor additives.
- Charcoal lighter fluid, camp stove fluid.
- Driveway and roof sealers.
- Fertilizers.
- Household cleaners, polishes, waxes.
- Paint and spray paint.
- Paint solvents, cleaners, turpentine, paint thinners.
- Wood stains, preservatives, oils, polyurethanes.

Note: Reuse items are not available at the mobile collection sites listed on pages 11-12.

LIGHT BULBS AND RADON

Safe Disposal of Your Energy-Saving Light Bulbs

Energy-saving light bulbs are good for the environment and your wallet, plus they can be recycled. Bring them to a Ramsey County HHW collection site (see pages 9-12) or check with a local hardware store.

Recycle these types of bulbs:

- Fluorescent bulbs of all shapes and sizes.
- High-intensity discharge lamps (HID).
- Neon lights of all shapes and sizes.
- LED lights of all shapes and sizes.



Incandescent light bulbs are safe to throw in the trash.





Did You Know?

It's illegal to throw fluorescent light bulbs in the trash because they contain mercury.

Test your home for radon for only \$2

Did you know that two in five homes tested in Minnesota have radon levels that could pose a major health risk?

Test your **home**. Protect your **health**.



2 of 5 Minnesota homes have high radon levels.

Radon is a colorless, odorless, radioactive gas and is the second leading cause of lung cancer behind smoking. It can enter your home through the foundation and floor-wall joints.

Purchase test kits from Ramsey County for only \$2!

Call 651-266-1199 for more information.



MEDICINE GOLLECTION SITES

Dispose of Unwanted Medicine Safely

Free Collection Sites

Arden H

Arden Hills · Sheriff's Patrol Station · 1411 Paul Kirkwold Dr. Monday – Friday: 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. (drop box is inside building)



Maplewood • Police Department • 1830 County Rd. B E. Open 24/7 (drop box is outside building)



New Brighton • Public Safety • 785 Old Hwy. 8 NW Open 24/7 (drop box is inside building)



North St. Paul · 2400 Margaret St.

Monday - Friday: 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. (drop box is inside building)



Saint Paul · Law Enforcement Center · 425 Grove St.

Monday - Friday: 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. (drop box is inside building)



White Bear Lake · Police/Fire Department · 4701 Hwy. 61 Monday – Friday: 7:30 a.m. – 10 p.m. (drop box is inside building)

Items Accepted

- Blister packs.
- Capsules and pills.
 IV bags.
- Creams and gels.
- Inhalers.
- Patches.Powders.
- Liquids and sprays. Vials.

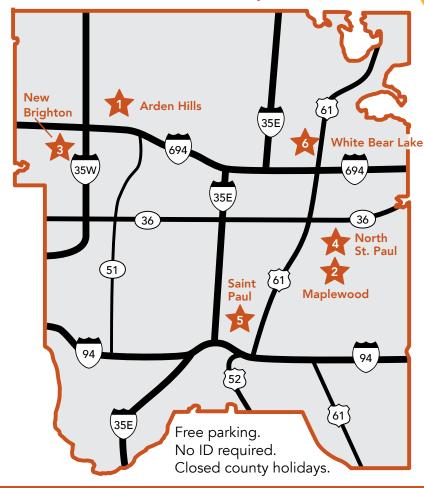
Visit RamseyRecycles.com/Medicine for more information and other disposal options.

Items NOT Accepted

- Empty or uncapped/unsealed needles and syringes (with and without medicine). Bring them to a household hazardous waste site (see pages 9-12).
- Medicines from businesses, healthcare facilities, long-term facilities, pharmacies, doctors' offices or veterinary clinics.

MEDICINE GOLLECTION SITES

Medicine Collection Site Map



Guidelines for dropping off medicines



- Keep medicines in their original container for legal transport.
- Put loose medicines in a clear resealable plastic bag and label it with the medicine name.
- Seal all items in a clear resealable plastic bag.
- Place bag into drop box.





Recycling Options for Electronics

City and neighborhood clean-up events

Call your city for dates, hours and fees.

Manufacturer take-back programs

Contact the electronic item's manufacturer.

Curbside pick-up service

Some trash haulers offer pick-up service for their customers (call your trash hauler or city).

Know What to Throw.

It is illegal to throw TVs and computer monitors with a CRT (cathode ray tube) in the trash.
They contain toxic substances like lead.

Recycle These Electronics

Televisions

Flat screens, projections and older box styles.

Computer Equipment

Computers, monitors, laptops, tablets, keyboards and printers.

Phones and Faxes

Cell phones, corded phones, cordless phones, answering machines and fax machines.

Audio and Video Equipment

CD and MP3 players, radios, speakers, stereos, DVD players, VCRs, record players, video game systems and cameras.

Electronics Recycling Locations

The following businesses in your area accept electronics for recycling. Call ahead to verify items accepted, hours and fees.

Advanced Disposal

309 Como Ave., Saint Paul, MN 55103 • 651-487-8546 AdvancedDisposal.com

Best Buy (some restrictions apply)

1795 County Rd. D E., Maplewood • 651-704-1901 1643 County Rd. B2, Roseville • 651-746-0538 BestBuy.com/recycle

Green Lights Recycling, Inc.

10040 Davenport St. N.E., Blaine, MN 55449 • 763-785-0456 glrnow.com

Office Depot

1615 W. County Rd. C, Roseville, MN 55113 • 651-233-1929 OfficeDepot.com

PCs for People (computer equipment only)

1481 Marshall Ave., Saint Paul, MN 55104 • 651-354-2552 PCsforPeople.org

Staples (no TVs, no older LCD monitors, no CRT monitors)

2100 N. Snelling Dr. #42, Roseville, MN 55113 • 651-633-1034 Staples.com

Tech Dump

860 Vandalia St., Saint Paul, MN 55114. • 763-432-3117 (Ext. 1) TechDump.org

The Retrofit Companies

2960 Yorkton Blvd., Little Canada, MN 55117 • 800-795-1230 RetrofitCompanies.com



LARGE BULKY ITEMS

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Many trash haulers pick up furniture and large household items. Additional fees may apply.

For items not listed and for donation options for usable furniture, visit RamseyRecycles.com/AtoZ



These sites offer self-haul options for bulky items.	i				A		N. Sai			
Contact them for hours, directions and disposal costs.	Appliances	Carpet/ Carpet pad	Outdoor*	Construction/ Demolition	Furniture	Mattresses	Scrap Metal	Tires	Wood**	
Advanced Disposal · Saint Paul 309 Como Ave. · 651-487-8546	Recycled	/	No dirt/sod	✓	✓	✓	Recycled	Recycled	✓	
Bro-Tex, Inc. · Saint Paul 840 Hampden Ave. N. · 651-645-5721		Recycled								
Fra-Dor · Little Canada 3101 Country Dr. · 651-484-8180			Recycled							
J and J Recycling · Saint Paul 607 Barge Channel Rd. · 651-227-4457	Recycled	/	No sod	✓	✓	/	Recycled	Recycled	✓	
Keith Krupenny & Son · Saint Paul 565 Barge Channel Rd. • 651-457-3680	Recycled	/	Recycled	✓	✓	Recycled	Recycled	✓	✓	
Second Chance Recycling · Minneapolis 1179 15th Ave. S.E. · 612-332-0664						Recycled				
Twin City Refuse & Recycling · Saint Paul 318 W. Water St. · 651-227-1549	Recycled	/	✓	✓	✓	✓	Recycled	Recycled	✓	
Walters Recycling & Refuse · Blaine 10191 Xylite St. N.E. · 763-780-8464	Recycled	/		✓	/	/	Recycled	Recycled	Ask	





Did you know?

It is illegal to place major appliances like microwave ovens and air conditioners in the trash.



^{*}Asphalt, concrete, dirt, rock and sod.

^{**}Lumber, railroad ties and treated wood.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES



Compost Bin Sale – Save \$20

The Recycling Association of Minnesota is selling compost bins for \$64+tax this year. Ramsey County residents can get an additional \$20 off!

Order online at RecycleMinnesota.org and enter promo code "Ramsey" to receive the discounted price. Or call 651-641-4589 and mention that you are a Ramsey County resident.

Pick up your pre-ordered bin on April 27 in Maplewood. Find additional dates and locations at RecycleMinnesota.org.

Businesses Recycle Better with BizRecycling



BizRecycling helps businesses, non-profits and institutions of all sizes in Ramsey and Washington counties start or improve their recycling programs, including organics recycling.

In about 30 minutes, our recycling experts can help your business make a recycling plan that works for you. BizRecycling also awards grants for up to \$10,000 per organization to help you put your recycling plan into action.

Since 2014, over 650 businesses have received grants to reduce waste and their trash bill. Make your business our next success story!



Visit BizRecycling.com and click on "How to Start" or call 651-266-1199.

Don't Trash Broken Stuff - Fix-It!

Bring things like small household appliances, clothing, electronics and more to our monthly Fix-It Clinics. Volunteer fixers will help you disassemble, troubleshoot and repair your item for FREE!

Clinics are first-come, first-served. Items must be carry-in – no oversize items. Three item limit.

Items we typically see at Fix-It Clinics:

- Clothing.
- Coffee makers.
- Fans.
- Lamps.

- Radios.
- Sewing machines.
- Toasters.
- Vacuum cleaners.

Visit RamseyRecycles.com/FixItClinics for dates and locations.



Recycle at Your Next Event

Hosting a family, work or community gathering? Make it a green event!

You can use your own recycling containers or borrow containers for free.

Portable containers are collapsible, and come with custom signage and bags. Organics recycling containers are available, too.

Easy to follow instructions are on each container.

Visit RamseyRecycles.com/EventRecycling to reserve your containers.



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