



December 2020

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## Happy Holidays!

Recycle By City has a great list of ways to get creative with your holiday gift wrap this year. All of these ideas promote reusing items that you may already have. It's time to get creative with old paper bags, books, sheet music and even chip bags!



Click Here for [\*\*DIY Gift Wrap Ideas\*\*](#)

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## Green Gifts in Traverse City

Follow 9&10 News anchor Melissa Smith to area stores for some great green gift ideas. And learn about recycling along the way!

[BAABAAZUZU](#)

[Green Island](#)

[Great Lakes Bath and Body](#)

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## \$10 TV Recycling!

The Grand Traverse County RecycleSmart program is happy to announce that beginning October 1st, [Bay Area Recycling for Charities](#) (BARC) will be accepting your old TVs and Computer monitors, to be fully recycled, for just \$10 each. This program is for Grand Traverse County Residents only

and is limited to 1 TV per household up to 500 TVs total. You must have proof of residency to get this great deal. For more information call BARC at 231-632-2272 or visit their website [here](#).



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## The Keystone Brush Site is closed for the season.

The first day of the 2021 season will be Saturday, April 10th.

The Brush Site is now accepting Credit Cards as a form of payment.

Please note that the site is closed on all major holidays and for severe weather conditions.

Brush Site information and hours of operation can be found by clicking [here](#).



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## All 2020 HHW Events have been completed



Great job residents of Grand Traverse County!  
Because of your efforts we were able to reuse, recycle or properly dispose of 98,502 pounds of Household Hazardous Waste and almost 60,000 pounds of Scrap Tires at our special collection events in 2020.

## HHW Event Dates for 2021

([Sign up](#) will be available [online](#) approximately one month before each event.) Appointments are required

Thursday, April 15th

Thursday, May 13th

Thursday, June 17th

Thursday, August 12th

Saturday, September 18th

Thursday, October 14th

What Can I Bring to a Household Hazardous Waste Event?

[Click Here.](#)

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Have questions about  
where to recycle an  
item?

Click on the Take it  
Back Logo and you will  
be magically  
transported to the Take  
it Back Directory!

If you are unable to find a solution on the directory, please contact the Resource Recovery Department and we'll be sure to help you out!



## Smoke Alarm Drop Off Program

The GTC Resource Recovery Department and the Grand Traverse Metro Fire Department have teamed up to bring GTC residents a Smoke Alarm Drop Off program.

You may now bring your old smoke alarms to either the **Grand Traverse Metro Fire Administration at 897 Parsons Rd. in Traverse City** or the **Grand Traverse Metro Fire Station #11 at 3000 Albany Dr. in Traverse City** during their normal hours of operation.

The drop off containers are located just inside the main entry doors. It is recommended that smoke alarms be tested monthly, the batteries replaced bi-annually and whole units replaced every 10 years. Batteries can be brought to any of the 9 drop off locations (listed below) around GTC. Please contact the Resource Recovery Department if you have any questions.

## Recycle right or lose it

Illegal dumping at the Recycling Sites in Grand Traverse County will no longer be tolerated. Violators will be prosecuted.

Please spread the word. Items must never be left on the ground. If the sites continue to be misused, not only will the abusers be held accountable but we run the risk of losing these great assets to our community.

To learn more about what can and can't be recycled, please visit the link below.

[GUIDELINES AND EXCLUDED](#)







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the latest  
episodes of  
the very  
popular  
9&10 News

TV series "Talking Trash"?

Look no further.

Click this the picture above and you  
will be whisked away to the glorious  
land of responsible recycling!

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### Drop Off Battery Recycling

Some sites may be closed or have altered hours at this time.  
Thank you for understanding

**BE SURE TO TAPE ALL YOUR BATTERY TERMINALS  
(CLEAR MASKING TAPE PLEASE)**

Batteries from Grand Traverse County residents are accepted at any of the battery drop off locations.  
Batteries from commercial businesses or nonresidents are not accepted. Businesses may bring  
batteries to the Household Hazardous Waste Collection events.

Battery drop off boxes are at the following locations:

**Building / Location  
Address**

**Acme Township Hall**  
[6042 Acme Road](#)  
[Williamsburg, MI 49690](#)

**Blair Township Hall**  
[2121 County Road 633 Grawn, MI 49637](#)

**City of Traverse City / Grand Traverse County Building**  
[400 Boardman Avenue](#)  
[Traverse City, MI 49684](#)

**Civic Center**  
[1213 W Civic Center Drive](#)  
[Traverse City, MI 49686](#)

**Fife Lake True Value**  
[119 East Lake Street Fife Lake, Mi. 49633](#)

**Grand Traverse County Public Service Building**  
[2650 LaFranier Road](#)  
[Traverse City, MI 49686](#)

**Metro Emergency Services Building**  
[897 Parson Road](#)  
[Traverse City, MI 49686](#)

**Traverse City Fire Department**  
[500 W Front Street](#)  
[Traverse City, MI 49684](#)

**Whitewater Township Hall**  
[5777 Vinton Road](#)  
[Williamsburg, MI 49690](#)



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YOU THROW IT!**



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