



April 2023

2023

EARTH DAY CELEBRATION



APRIL 22, 2023

11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Grand Traverse County
Civic Center in Traverse City

ACTIVITIES:

Come join us and learn from our Earth Day Partners about recycling, composting, water protection, earth-friendly gardening, energy conservation, and more.

-  **Live music with Seth Bernard and Chris Good, 12 to 2 p.m.**
-  **Meet Smokey Bear and Woodsy Owl**
-  **Scavenger hunt with prize drawings**
-  **Make-and-take eco-crafts!**
-  **Balance bike library, helmet & bike fitting**
-  **Butterfly exhibit**
-  **Interactive display of mattress recycling**
-  **Ford Lightning all-electric truck**
-  **Active composting demonstrations**
-  **Face painting**
-  **Free paper shredding (drop off only)**

*Limited to 1 box per household. Resident only.

PARTNERS:

Bay Area Recycling for Community, eRecycleTC/Advantage Earth, GT Citizens Climate Lobby, Michigan DNR, Master Gardeners Association of Northern Michigan, Michigan State University Extension, Norte, ProFILE, LLC, Recycle a Bicycle, SEEDS, Traverse City Light and Power, Title Track, U.S. Forest Service, VegMichigan, Carter's Compost





Scrap Tire Collection Events 2023

**May 11th
Sign up Now!**

Appointments **are required and can be made by
calling** the Resource Recovery Department @
231-995-6075.

**Scrap Tire Collections are funded by the EGLE
Scrap Tire Grant**



Great job residents of
Grand Traverse County!
Because of your efforts we
were able to reuse, recycle
or properly dispose of
**139,086 pounds of
Household Hazardous
Waste and 2 Semi Trailers**

full of Scrap Tires at our special collection events in 2022.

HHW Event Dates for 2023

([Sign up](#) will be

available online approximately one month before each event.) Appointments are required



Thursday, April 13th Completed

Thursday, May 11th [Open for Sign Up](#)

Thursday, June 22nd

Thursday, August 10th

Saturday, September 16th

What Can I Bring to a Household Hazardous Waste Event?

[Click Here.](#)

The Keystone Brush Site is open for the 2023 season!

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](#).



FREE TV Recycling!

The Grand Traverse County (GTC) [RecycleSmart](#) program is happy to announce that in partnership with [Bay Area Recycling for Charities](#), GTC residents are able to bring your old TVs and

Computer monitors to BARC's facility at 466 US 31 South, to be recycled, free of charge. This program is for Grand Traverse County Residents only and is limited to 1 TV per household, up to 250 TVs total (1 Semi Trailer full!). You must have proof of residency to participate. For more information, call BARC at 231-632-2272 or visit their website [here](#).



Adopt A Recycling Site!

RecycleSmart is looking for Recycling Champions to help keep the 24/7 Single Stream Recycling Sites clean. Individuals, groups, businesses or other entities, are encouraged to contact the RecycleSmart office at 231-632-5162 to learn more about how you can help keep these valuable resources, in their place, in our community.



Recycle right or lose it!

If you find a recycling site is full, please come back another day, or use one of the other [6 sites](#) located within the county.

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 MATERIALS](#)



Grand Traverse County RecycleSmart



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.



**Looking for
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!**

Drop Off Battery Recycling

**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](#)



KNOW IT BEFORE YOU THROW IT!



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Grand Traverse County RecycleSmart | 231-941-5555 | 2650 Lafrainer Rd. Traverse City, Mi. | www.RecycleSmart.info

