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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](#)



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!

[BAABA AZUZU](#)

[Great Lakes Bath and Body](#)

FREE TV Recycling!

The Grand Traverse County (GTC) RecycleSmart program is once again happy to announce that in

partnership with [Bay Area Recycling for Communities](#), beginning in January, GTC residents will be 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](#).



Great job residents of Grand Traverse County! Because of your efforts we were able to reuse, recycle or properly dispose of **139,770 pounds of Household Hazardous Waste and 2 Semi Trailers full of Scrap Tires** at our special collection events in 2023.



HHW Event Dates for 2024

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

Thursday, April 11th

Thursday, May 16th

Thursday, June 20th

Thursday, August 8th

Saturday, September 14th

What Can I Bring to a Household Hazardous Waste Event?
[Click Here.](#)



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Scrap Tire Collection Events 2024

May 11th

September 14th

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



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.

Illegal Dumping in Grand Traverse County will not be tolerated. If you are going to use any of the Single Stream Recycling Sites provided by

GFL/American Waste, you must follow the rules. It is very simple. Only the items listed on the bins, can be placed in the bins. If the bins are full, you'll either need to use another site, or come back after they have been emptied. No items can be left on the ground. Please follow the rules so we can keep these assets to our community in place.





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**](#)

closed for the season. We expect to be re-open in April of 2023.

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](#).



Grand Traverse County RecycleSmart

Play Now!

About

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

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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