Village of Gilberts
Recycling and Garbage Collection Information

2014
Refuse, Recycle & Yard Waste Services Begin May 1
with services NOW being provided by MDC Environmental Services

Refuse service will be billed by the Village of Gilberts!

MDC Environmental Services is proud to be your NEW refuse, recycle & yard waste service hauler. Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions or concerns.

COLLECTION DAYS
All garbage, recycling and yard waste will NOW be picked up on the same day each week.

- **SOUTH of Higgins Road** RT. 72 collection day is **THURSDAY**.
- **NORTH of Higgins Road** RT. 72 collection day is **FRIDAY**.
- **Optional Services**: Dumpsters, special pickups of large items and white goods (appliances) can be scheduled by contacting MDC at 815-568-7274. They will provide you will an estimate and bill you directly for any special services you choose.

NEW GARBAGE TOTERS
MDC will provide each household new garbage and recycling toters. Each resident will get one 95-gallon garbage toter and one 65-gallon recycling toter. You can make a one-time exchange form a 95-gallon toter to a 65-gallon garbage toter by calling MDC.

YARD WASTE
Yard waste is collected April 1 to December 1

- Place yard waste in 30-gallon biodegradable brown paper bags or in open 30-gallon garbage cans.
- Yard waste in plastic bags will **not** be picked up.
- Bundled tree branches can be no longer than 4 feet and no larger in diameter than a 30-gallon garbage can.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS
- Unlimited amounts of garbage, recycling and yard waste each week.
- Please have carts curbside by 7:00 a.m. on pickup day.
- Place carts 4 feet apart.
- Bulk items are allowed. (couch, table, beds, bundled carpeting)
- Small quantities of remodeling debris.
- Contact MDC to arrange special collection of appliances – white goods.

HOLIDAYS
MDC observes the following legal holidays: New Years Day, Memorial Day, 4th of July, Labor Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas. If your collection day is on or after one of these holidays, your collection will be one day later for that week only.

ACCEPTABLE RECYCLABLES

- Newspaper and inserts
- Chipboard (i.e. cereal boxes, pop cases)
- Magazines, Catalogs, Telephone Books
- Office Paper, Junk Mail, School Paper
- Paper Grocery Bags
- Corrugated Cardboard (Must be cut down into 2 ft. by 2 ft. squares and bundled)
- Plastic items (Coded 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 & 7)
- Glass Bottles & Jars (Clear, Green & Brown)
- Aluminum & Tin Cans

All types of papers, chipboard, corrugated should be wax free.

www.villageofgilberts.com
847-428-4167

www.mdces.com
815-568-7274
Business Recycling

Do you recycle at your business?
Do you recycle at your business? If not, this article will help get you started. The 1996 mandatory commercial recycling ordinance in Kane County requires all businesses and multi-family dwellings to recycle. It also requires waste haulers to provide recycling services to their customers. The Recycling and Hauler Ordinance can be found in the County Code, Chapter 11, Art. IV, Sec. 11, online at sterlingcodifiers.com/IL/Kane.County.

Which materials can be recycled?
Lots (see the pull-out poster)! A big part of what makes business recycling successful is single-stream recycling, where all recyclables can be combined in one container. If your waste stream presents more unique or complex needs, you can talk to your waste and recycling hauler about options.

Will recycling service cost more?
It doesn't have to. But like all services it does have a cost. By diverting materials from your trash into recycling, you can cut costs by reducing either the frequency of collection or the size of your dumpster. That savings can offset the cost of your recycling service. This model is a proven method for minimizing cost and improving efficiency of service, while recovering valuable resources through recycling. Call your waste hauler and request that they work with you to customize your waste and recycling service.

You already recycle?
Wonderful! Do you also minimize waste, print on both-sides of your paper, narrow your margins in your printed documents, or use reusable food-ware? Do you compost your food scraps, use energy efficient lighting, or practice water conservation? If you are a sustainable business, let us know and we'll add you to the list of Kane County Green Businesses.

Questions?
Questions about starting service should be directed to your current waste hauler. If you have questions about the Ordinance or about the Kane County Green Business List, please contact the Kane County Recycling Coordinator, Jennifer Jarland, at 630-208-3841 or recycle@countyofkane.org.

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To download an electronic version of this guide and for the most updated information, please see www.countyofkane.org/pages/recycling

The Q Center in St.Charles composts all pre- and post-consumer food scraps. They practice the 3 Rs, apply energy and water conservation measures, and commit to environmentally sensitive purchasing practices. See more at: www.qcenter.com/about-us/greencommitment/
Electronics Landfill Ban

Be Resourceful: Recycle your Electronics!

Worldwide, an estimated 20-50 million tons of electronics are discarded annually, and the US EPA estimates that 85% of it ends up in landfills. But that is changing; Illinois is one of 25 states that now have electronics related legislation.

The Illinois Electronic Products Recycling and Reuse Act, which took effect in 2008, required manufacturers who sell their products in Illinois to establish recycling programs for their discarded and unwanted products. Beginning in January of 2012, the law was amended, expanding the list of electronic items banned from state’s 48 active landfills. There are 17 electronic items banned from the landfill. See box below.

Recycling opportunities abound. Since electronic equipment is no longer collected with regular trash and the Act requires that it be recycled, there are a growing number of free public collection events and permanent drop-off locations available. The legislation specifies that there be no fee for residents to recycle their electronics, so all recycling programs should be free of charge. The legislation promoted growth in the recycling industry making it possible to recycle nearly all household electronics, going beyond the items listed in the legislation. See page 3 for Kane County Electronics Recycling locations.

This product stewardship law created a system in which the product manufacturers are responsible for recycling their equipment at end-of-life. Most commonly, the manufacturers work with certified recyclers (see Responsible Recycling box below) to receive, process, and recycle electronics for them. The certified recyclers in turn work with communities and local governments to hold residential recycling collection events and establish permanent drop-off locations.

Electronics contain many valuable resources such as gold, cadmium, lead, and silver that can be reclaimed, reused, and recycled. Recycling, rather than dumping these materials, uses far less energy than mining and refining raw metals and reduces the amount of energy and other resources used in new product manufacturing. It makes good sense to recycle these materials.

Further resources and information can be found on the EPA website: www.epa.state.il.us/land/electronic-waste-recycling

The following electronic items are banned from Illinois landfills (Public Act 97-0287)

| Televisions | Electronic Keyboards | Video Game Consoles | Digital Converter Boxes |
| Monitors | Facsimile Machines | Electronic Mice | Videocassette Recorders |
| Printers | Scanners | Small Scale Servers | Portable Digital Music Players |
| Cable Receivers | Satellite Receivers | Computers (including desktop | Digital Video Disc Recorders |
| Stereo Equipment | Speakers | /notebook/netbook/tablet) | & Players |

Note on Responsible Recycling:

While some companies offer to pay you for your electronics, it is good to be informed about their processing and data security practices, and to make sure they are registered electronics recyclers. The Illinois EPA maintains a list of registered recycling companies and collectors who are managing and recycling end-of-life electronic equipment in an environmentally and socially responsible manner, including an assurance that your data will be securely erased. The list can be found at: www.epa.state.il.us/land/electronic-waste-recycling/recycler-list. If a company or individual is not on this list, they may not be following responsible recycling practices.

This information is provided with funding from the Illinois EPA Electronics Reuse and Recycling Grant.
Free Electronics Recycling
Collection Events

Kane County
Monthly Collection Event
Electronics and Book Recycling
540 S Randall Road, St. Charles • 630-208-3841
2nd Saturday of each month

Please notice NEW Winter Hours.

Summer 2013: Apr 13, May 11, Jun 8, Jul 13, Aug 10, Sept 14 (8am-2pm)
Winter ’13-’14: Oct 12, Nov 9, Dec 14, Jan 11, Feb 9, Mar 8 (8am-12noon)

• We unload for you! Please stay comfortably in your vehicle.
• Open to all Kane County residents. Businesses please contact a recycler directly.
• Kane County works with an R2 (Responsible Recycling) certified and EPA Registered recycler.
• Rest assured that all data stored on computer hard drives will be completely erased or destroyed under the highest security, so it is not necessary to wipe your drives before recycling.

We take BOOKS of any age, in any condition, either paperback or hard cover. They are assessed for reuse, redistributed if possible, and the rest are recycled.

Other Monthly Collection Events
City of Aurora Call 630-256-4636 for dates, times and items accepted
Westside Central Garage, 720 N. Broadway Ave., Aurora
Eastside Customer Service Center, 3770 McCoy Drive, Aurora

Village of Montgomery
10 Civic Center Ave, Montgomery; 630-896-880 ext. 1114
3rd Saturday of each month; 9am – 12 noon
Accepts electronics; appliances; batteries; metal; car fluids

Permanent Electronic Recycling Drop-offs

These free Kane County Drop-offs are self-serve locations. Be prepared to unload into provided areas.

Batavia Public Works Department Self-Serve Electronics Drop-off
200 N Raddant Road, Batavia, 630-454-2310 Hours: Mon – Fri, 8am – 3pm

Elgin ReStore Electronics Recycling Drop-off
800 N State Street, Elgin, 847-742-9905 Hours: W – F, 9 – 6 / Sat, 9 – 4

Geneva Public Works Department Self-Serve Electronics Drop-off
1800 South Street, Geneva, 630-232-1501 Hours: Mon – Fri, 8am – 3pm

St. Charles Public Works Department Self-Serve Electronics Drop-off
1405 S 7th Avenue, St. Charles, 630-377-4405 Hours: Mon – Fri, 8am – 3pm

West Dundee Electronics Drop-off
900 Angle Tarn, West Dundee, 847-551-3815 Hours: Mon – Fri, 8am – 3pm

See website www.countyofkane.org/pages/recycling for a list of additional locations, and for a list of companies that provide electronics recycling services for business.

Items Accepted

Answering Machines MP3 Players /
Cable/Satellite boxes Portable Music
Cables/Cords Players
Calculators Network Equipment
Camcorders (servers, hubs, mainframes)
Cameras Phones
CD Drives Postage Machines
Cell Phones / PDAs Power Tools
Christmas Lights Printers
Circuit Boards Scanners
Computers Servers
(brains, hard drives,
CPU, laptop, etc.)
Copy Machines Small Home Appliances
Digital Converter (blenders, fans, toasters, hair dryers, etc)
Boxes Stereo / Receivers
Digital Recorders Switch Boxes
DVD Players Tape Drives
Fax Machines Telephones
Hard Drives Toner and Printer
Keyboards Cartridges
Media (must be contained
in a bag)
Microphones
Media (software, floppy discs, CDs, DVDs, cassette tapes, VCR tapes)
Mice
Microphones
Video Game Consoles
Microwaves
Video Game
Modems Controllers
Monitors – all types Word Processors
Zip Drives

Items NOT Accepted

• White Goods/Large Appliances
• Extra-large wood speakers (please remove speakers from wooden box, dispose of wood, and bring speaker mechanism for recycling)
• Batteries not contained in equipment (see page 7)
• Household Hazardous Waste (see page 6)

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<td>Advanced Recycling Transfer Station (formerly Veolia)</td>
<td>630-879-3587</td>
<td>Sat 6am-10am Only (for Residential drop-off pricing)</td>
<td>Recycling - Roofing shingles, household recycling, cardboard, containers, paper, etc.</td>
<td>$25 for mixed acceptable materials up to a quantity equal to a level pickup truck bed-full; Saturday special for Residents, cash or credit card only.</td>
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<td>St. Charles</td>
<td>RockTenn Paper Recycler</td>
<td>847-931-2900</td>
<td>M-F 8-4</td>
<td>Paper Only - Newspaper, cardboard, catalogs, magazines</td>
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<td>Association for Individual Development (AID) Recycling Drop-offs</td>
<td>847-931-6237</td>
<td>M-F 9:30-3:30 open for electronic drop-off 24/7 for other materials, no electronics after hours</td>
<td>aluminum, cardboard, plastic bottles, plastic bags, scrap metal, tin cans, and electronics</td>
<td>$2/bag or equivalent; cash, credit or check.</td>
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<td>Elgin - Midwest Compost/ DuPage Yard Waste</td>
<td>Midwest Compost 1320 Spaubling Rd., Elgin, IL 60120</td>
<td>847-931-2900</td>
<td>M-F 7-4 (Open mid-April through mid-December)</td>
<td>Clean residential yard waste: Leaves, grass, branches, sod, dirt in brown paper bags, or in bulk.</td>
<td>does pay for quantity or consistency</td>
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<td>South of Kane – Green Organics in Kendall County</td>
<td>1270 E Beecher Rd., Bristol, IL 60512</td>
<td>630-553-6409</td>
<td>M-F 7-4 (Summer Sat 7-12)</td>
<td>Clean residential yard waste: Leaves, grass, branches in bulk. Food scraps (no meat)</td>
<td>call for pricing</td>
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<td>Carpentersville – Village Hall</td>
<td>1200 Besinger Drive, Carpentersville, IL 60110</td>
<td>630-966-4145 or 630-966-4121, the-association.org</td>
<td>M-F 9:30-3:30 open for electronic drop-off 24/7 for other materials, no electronics after hours</td>
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<td>4100 Fox Valley Center Drive, Aurora</td>
<td>630-585-5508</td>
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<td>800 N State St., Elgin (Rt 31)</td>
<td>847-742-9905, <a href="http://www.habitatnf.org">www.habitatnf.org</a></td>
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**Donate:** Homeowners and contractors can donate surplus items (tax deductible), reducing the amount of building materials that would otherwise go to landfills. The lists of what we can & cannot accept will change, depending on inventory and sales. Please always call before bringing materials to ReStore. Please understand that if we feel that we cannot sell an item, we reserve the right to decline the donation.

**Purchase:** This center sells surplus or gently used building materials at significant savings to the general public. Proceeds from sales support the mission of the Habitat for Humanity organization.
Latex Paint

Unlike oil-based paints, which are considered household hazardous waste, today’s latex (water-based) paint has a very low level of toxicity. Disposing of it as hazardous waste is unnecessary and very expensive, so most facilities do not accept it. Therefore, the Illinois EPA and Kane County encourage people with unwanted latex paint to use other options.

**Buy a smaller can.** The best way to reduce waste is by buying only as much as you need.

**Use it up.** Add an extra coat or paint something else. Use an old piece of cardboard, some scrap lumber, or the inside of your garage. Let the empty can dry and recycle it.

**Recycle it.** ReStore (800 N State Street, Elgin, 847-742-9905) will receive for free full unused cans of latex paint for reuse. Earth Paint Collection Systems (www.earthpaintscs.com or 847-231-6044) may have locations near you to recycle opened cans of liquid latex paint. Recycle empty paint cans and lids; a thin coating of dried paint on the inside walls and bottom is ok.

**Donate or share it.** Find a friend or neighbor who needs to paint a small area.

**Dry it out.** Dried latex paint can be disposed of in your regular household trash. Add kitty litter, sawdust, or shredded paper and stir it in to help the paint dry more quickly. Once solidified, place cans in trash, lids in recycling.

**Store it for later.** If you want to save the leftover paint for touch-ups, just cover the opening with plastic wrap, and replace the lid securely by hammering it down.

Recycling Plastic Bags

Please do not place plastic bags in your household recycling bins! They are recyclable but only at grocery store drop-boxes. Check your local store for their drop-box and to verify acceptable materials. Please visit www.plasticbagrecycling.org for more information.

Please Recycle only plastic bags that are clean, dry and empty.

- Grocery bags
- Retail bags (hard plastic and string handles removed)
- Paper towel and toilet paper plastic wrap
- Plastic newspaper bags
- Plastic dry cleaning bags
- Ziploc bags (clean, dry, empty bags only & cut the zip strip off)
- All clean, clear bread bags labeled with a #2 or #4

Do NOT Recycle:
The following are considered contaminants and could jeopardize recycling programs:

- NO receipts, deli stickers, or cling wrap
- NO frozen food bags
- NO film that has been painted or has excessive glue
- NO other bags or films
- NO bio-based or compostable plastic bags

Stop Junk Mail for Good

Reduce your junk mail in half almost instantly by unsubscribing from the National Direct Mailing Lists and from phonebook and catalog distribution lists via the below links. To eliminate the remainder, call directly any distributors of junk mail as you receive each piece, and ask to be removed from their mailing list and stop junk mail for good!

**National Do Not Mail List**
For free removal from all national lists, unsubscribe online at: www.directmail.com/junk_mail/

**Or unsubscribe by mail:**
Send a letter with your name(s) and address on it requesting removal from all mailing lists, & sign it. Enclose a $1 processing fee, and send it to:

**DMA**
PO Box 643
Carmel, NY 10512

**Opt Out of Phone Books**
www.yellowpagesoptout.com

**Stop Catalog Mailings**
www.catalogchoice.org
Household Hazardous Waste

Residential HHW Drop-Off

Naperville Fire Station #4

Hours: 9am - 2pm every Saturday & Sunday (except holidays)
Call Naperville Public Works (M-F) 630-420-6095 for inquiries.
1971 Brookdale Road, Naperville, IL, 60563

Free Pick-up Service for Mill Creek SSA & Northern Kane County Residents Only

Residents of the Mill Creek SSA and of the most northerly townships of Hampshire, Rutland, Dundee, Burlington, Plato, and Elgin may schedule one free collection per year from your home. This service is supported by Kane County, the City of Elgin, and the Villages of Carpentersville, South Elgin, and West Dundee.

Call 1-800-449-7587 or go to www.WMAAtYourDoor.com to schedule a pick-up.

Items Accepted

- Aerosol products
- Antifreeze
- Auto fluids
- Batteries – auto, sump & household sizes
- Blacktop sealer
- Cleaning products
- Fire extinguishers
- Fluorescent bulbs (tubes and swirled)
- Gasoline & oil/gas mixtures
- Hobby & photo chemicals
- Lawn chemicals
- Mercury (thermostats, etc.)
- Motor oil
- Oil-based paints, stains, & varnishes
- Pesticides, poisons, insecticides
- Pharmaceuticals/medications (see right)
- Pool chemicals (Naperville only)
- Propane tanks (Naperville only, all sizes)
- Solvents

Items NOT Accepted

- Latex paint (see pg 5)
- Ammunition, explosives or firework
- Biological or medical waste (dispose as biohazard)
- Syringes/needles (see below)
- Farm machinery oil
- Smoke detectors

Safe Disposal of Sharps/ Needles/ Syringes

Please never place loose needles or syringes in the trash.
Follow these instructions for safe disposal.

- Place needles, point-first, into a thick plastic bottle, like a detergent bottle.
- Store sharps in closed container with the lid on.
- Clearly label container “DO NOT RECYCLE” with a bold marker.
- When the container is over half full, tape lid on with duct tape and place it in the trash.

Other Resources and Mail-In Programs:

Stericycle Mailback Program, Lake Forest, IL, 800-355-8773, www.stericycle.com

Medication/ Pharmaceutical Drop-Offs

Unwanted and expired prescription or over-the-counter drugs can be dropped off at the following locations. Pills may be left in their original containers but please remove labels or destroy/black out any personal information on the label, before placing them in a clear resealable bag for delivery. Ask at your local CVS or Walgreen Pharmacies to learn about mail-in programs.

Elgin Police Department
151 Douglas Ave., Elgin, IL 60120
847-289-2700 Hours: 7 days, 24 hours

Geneva Police Department
(Geneva Residents ONLY)
20 Police Plaza, Geneva, IL 60134
630-232-4736 Hours: 7 days, 24 hours

Kane County Sheriffs Office
37W755 Il Route 38 # A, St. Charles, IL 60175 • 630-232-6840
Hours: M-F 8am-5pm

Naperville Fire Station #4
Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off
See above left.

Oswego Fox Metro Office
682 Rt 31, Oswego, IL 60543
630-301-6820 Hours: M-F 8am-5pm

St. Charles Police Department
211 N Riverside Ave., St Charles, IL 60174
630-377-4435 Hours: M-F 6am-11pm; Sat 7am-5pm; Sun closed

Small Business Quantity Hazardous Waste

Licensed Hazardous Waste Companies that can serve small businesses:

Clean Harbors
800-645-8265
www.cleanharbors.com

Heritage Environmental
800-487-7455
www.heritage-enviro.com

Veolia Environmental
312-552-2800
www.veoliaes.com/en.html

Safety-Kleen
847-468-6600
www.safety-kleen.com

Page 6 Please see www.countyofkane.org/Pages/Recycling for the most current information. 2013 - 2014
The best way to reduce waste is to invest in a battery charger and rechargeable batteries. Rechargeable batteries make better use of resources, because you can use them multiple times before recycling them! And they are recyclable at most hardware stores. The following towns and villages have Curbside Battery Collection: Aurora, Batavia, Elburn, Elgin, Geneva, Hampshire, Maple Park, North Aurora, St. Charles, and Sugar Grove. If you do not have curbside collection, you can deliver them to the drop-offs listed below.

To recycle AA, AAA, C, D, and 9V batteries: first tape over the tops of all 9V batteries as they are a potential fire hazard, then place used batteries in a clear resealable plastic bag. Place bagged batteries in a recycling bin or with lidded carts. Do not include auto batteries. Battery drop-off locations are open 24/7 unless otherwise indicated.

**Elgin Township Highway Garage**
725 S. McLean Blvd, South Elgin • 847-741-2045

**Big Timber Fire Station/ Fire Station #2**
650 Big Timber Road • 847-931-6186

**Pingree Grove Fire Station**
39W169 Plank Road • 847-741-3151

**South Elgin Fire District Annex**
Hopps and Stevens Roads

**Batteries Plus**
(rechargeable batteries only)
Aurora and Elgin • 800-677-8278
M-F 8-7pm; Sat 9-6pm; Sun 11-5pm

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**Village of Hampshire**
Street Department Building,
100 Klick Street, Hampshire, IL 60140
**Questions:** 847-683-2181 x0, M-F 8am-4pm

**Collection Event Dates for 2013:**
4/6, 5/4, 6/1, 7/6, 8/10, 9/7, 10/5

**Event Hours:** 9am-11:30am

**Accepts:** used motor oil only

**City of St. Charles Only (Batavia is no longer providing this service)**
Residents of St. Charles can recycle their used motor oil by placing it at the curb on pick-up day. The used oil should be contained in sealed plastic containers (like milk jugs or laundry detergent bottles) not to exceed one gallon. Place the containers on the ground next to your recycling bin. Please call 630-587-8282, to let them know you’ll have oil to pick up. Please NO gasoline, oil/gas mixtures or antifreeze (see pg 6 for disposal of those items).

**Mill Creek SSA & Hampshire, Rutland, Dundee, Burlington, Plato, and Elgin Townships**
Residents may schedule one free household hazardous waste collection per year from your home. See page 6.

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**Village of Montgomery Collection Events**
10 Civic Center Ave., Montgomery, IL 60506
630-896-8080 x1114
**Collection Event Dates:** every 3rd Saturday
**Event Hours:** 9am-12noon

**Accepts:** all auto fluids, metal, batteries, electronics, large and small appliances, books, magazines, CDs and DVDs

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For Large Quantities (100+ gallons) contact:
Future Environmental • 708-479-6900
R&S Oil Services • 708-534-9300
Super-Lube • 630-844-5099
Recycling Extravaganza

When: Saturday, May 11th, 2013 / 8am – 2pm
Where: 540 S Randall Road, St. Charles, IL 60174
Why: In celebration of Earth Day, and spring cleaning!
Free of charge: all except for latex paint (small fee per can)
What: Electronics, scrap metal; Books; Clean used clothes and textiles, paired shoes, stuffed animals; Bikes, bike parts, Carpet and some carpet padding; 4’ Fluorescent Lamps; latex paint (small fee applies); and confidential documents. See full list and details at www.countyofkane.org/pages/recycling

Document Shredding Events

Two Free Events:
May 11th, 2013 • 8am-2pm
Oct. 12th, 2013 • 8am-12noon
For residents of Kane County (no businesses please)
540 S Randall Road, St. Charles, IL 60174 • 630-208-3841

YES: This shredding service is for documents containing confidential information such as bank account numbers and details, social security numbers, dates of birth, and other sensitive information.
NO: Information like name, address, and phone numbers are not considered confidential as they can be found in phone directories or in common records. Junk mail does not need to be shredded. Please put those items in your household recycling bin for collection at the curb.

Also, call your bank to see if they have any shredding events for their customers; they sometimes do.

Back Yard Composting

Why Compost?
It’s earth-friendly: Food scraps and yard waste make up 20-30% of the waste stream. Making compost keeps these materials out of landfills, where they take up precious space and release methane, a greenhouse gas 21 times more potent than carbon dioxide emissions in the atmosphere.
It benefits your yard: Compost improves soil structure and texture, increases the soil’s ability to hold both water and air, improves soil fertility, and stimulates healthy root development in plants.
It’s easy: You can start with just leaves and grass, then work your way towards composting your food scraps.
It saves money: Adding compost to your garden can reduce or eliminate the need to buy chemical fertilizers or compost. If you pay for yard waste collection bags or stickers, composting will cut your costs.

Kane County provides Back Yard Compost Bins
at a low cost for residents, available at:
University of Illinois Extension Office
535 S. Randall Road, St. Charles, IL 60174 • 630-584-6166
Cost: $60.00 cash or check please, payable to Kane County Treasurer

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Please see www.countyofkane.org/Pages/Recycling for the most current information.