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America Recycles Day is November 15 in Loudoun County; Make a Pledge to Recycle

The Loudoun County Board of Supervisors has proclaimed November 15, 2021, as America Recycles Day in Loudoun County. America Recycles Day is the nationally recognized day dedicated to encouraging Americans to recycle and use products that are made from recycled and/or recyclable materials.

Make the “Pledge to Recycle” at loudoun.gov/recycle and reaffirm your commitment to waste less, recycle more and to use products made from recycled and locally recyclable materials. Pledges will be entered into a regional prize drawing including a \$300 gift certificate from REI (all ages), and a \$300 gift certificate from REI plus a \$500 grant for a K-12 school environmental club/project (K-12 students only).

Recycling reduces materials going into landfills, reduces emissions of greenhouse gases and other pollutants, and helps preserve forestlands and the habitats they support. Recycling also plays a critical role in the U.S. economy.

The Loudoun County Department of General Services reports that haulers and recycling facilities collect and process well over 100,000 tons of material for recycling year over year in Loudoun, a large portion of which includes the bottles, cans, paper, and cardboard boxes coming from homes, offices and businesses. “We all have an important role to play in protecting the resources and environmental systems on which we depend, and taking simple, personal actions such as reusing a water bottle and recycling is a step in the right direction,” said Loudoun County Recycling Specialist Tony Hayes.

Loudoun County supports recycling through a variety of programs and encourages everyone to make the effort to recycle and to follow recommended [guidelines for recycling](#) to ensure what goes in the recycling bin is recyclable and not just waste on an extended journey to a landfill.

[Recycling collection centers](#) are located throughout the county for free recycling of bottles, cans, paper, and cardboard.

Materials that require specialized handling such as used motor oil, antifreeze, automobile batteries, scrap metal and appliances, and yard waste are accepted for recycling at the county’s [Solid Waste Management Facility](#). Some fees may apply. The county also provides collection events for recycling electronics and properly disposing of household chemicals and other potentially hazardous materials.

More information is available at loudoun.gov/recycle or by calling 703-771-5514.

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