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Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off Program Begins and Earth Day 2012

The Hamilton County Recycling and Solid Waste District (District) is helping to celebrate Earth Day this year with the opening of the free Household Hazardous Waste drop-off program.

The District's free Household Hazardous Waste drop-off sites will open on Saturday, April 21. The drop-off program is free to Hamilton County residents. This program prohibits the acceptance of hazardous waste from businesses, churches, schools and non-profit organizations. Residents must bring a proof of residency, such as a driver's license or utility bill when dropping off their household hazardous waste.

Dates: April 21 - November 3, 2012

Locations: Environmental Enterprises, Inc.

Locations: 4600 Spring Grove Ave. Cincinnati, OH 45232 (Directly across from Winton Road)

Tuesdays – 2:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. Saturdays – 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

OR

10163 Cincinnati-Dayton Rd. Sharonville, OH 45241 (corner of Cincinnati-Dayton and Crescentville Roads)

(Closed July 4 and October 31)

Wednesdays – 2 p.m. – 6 p.m.

Acceptable items include: pesticides, fertilizers, solvents, thinners, lawn/pool chemicals, cleaners, household/auto batteries, fire extinguishers, propane tanks, mercury, fluorescent bulbs, driveway sealer, gasoline, antifreeze, thermostats, motor oil and oil-based paint.

Unacceptable items include: latex paint*, prescription drugs, radioactive materials, medical waste, explosives/ammunition, gun powder, heating oil tanks, tires, yardwaste, garbage, roofing materials, appliances, computers/electronics, fuel tanks, unmarked cylinders, fireworks and smoke detectors.

*Latex paint will only be accepted if resident brings other household hazardous waste. If resident brings only latex paint, resident will be charged \$1.50 per gallon of paint (minimum charge of \$5.00). Check or credit cards only – no cash will be accepted.

To learn more about how to properly dispose of waste or how to increase your recycling, visit the District's booth at Sawyer Point's Earth Day Celebration on April 21 from noon to 5:00 p.m.

For more information about Hamilton County's Household Hazardous Waste Drop-Off Program, please call the Recycling Hotline at 946-7766, visit <u>www.HamiltonCountyRecycles.org</u>, or interact with us on <u>Twitter</u> (@HamCoRecycling) and <u>Facebook</u> (www.Facebook.com/HamiltonCountyRecycling).

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