



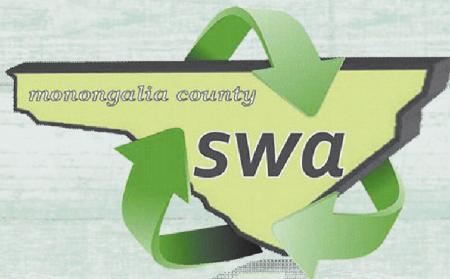
February
Youth Environmental Program



May
Community Compost



October
Reusable Latex Paint (and Repurpose)



2026 Monongalia County Solid Waste Authority 12-month Calendar

Repair Cafe

Aries's Corner

Aries Hespelais
I really enjoyed working on this project, whether it was doing research or contributing my part. It also gave me the chance to learn more about Repair Cafes and the community, which was truly enriching.

Repair Cafes are places where people bring in various items to be repaired. The repairs can be for clothing, toys, electronics, appliances, and more. There is no cost to repairing your items.

REPAIR CAFE

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Locally, Scott's Run Resonance Project plans to host several Repair Cafes in 2026 where residents can get an item fixed, enjoy conversations, community, music and food while waiting for an item to be fixed! To learn more about Scott's Run Resonance Project Repair Cafe:

- Visit www.scottsrunresonanceproject.com
- Attend the Repair Cafe Information Session – Scan the QR Code to Register to Attend!

Benefits on the Environment:

- Reducing waste going to the landfills
- Less pollution
- Cuts back on carbon emissions

In July 2023, the Scott's Run Resonance Project held its first Repair Cafe in Osage for the community.

June
Repair Café with
Aries's Corner

Household Hazardous Waste

Carly's Corner

Carly Russell

MUB MORGANTOWN UTILITY BOARD

Monongalia County Solid Waste Authority

MUB's Annual Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day Event
2026 date and time could not be confirmed.

To learn more:

- Visit mub.org/hhw
- Read the [How to Prepare for Recycle and Disposal Collection Events](#) in the middle of this calendar
- Check our Events webpage monongaliacountyswa.com/events-1
- Subscribe to our E-newsletter

Tips for Disposing or Recycling Hazardous Waste During the Year

- Attend the Household Hazardous Waste Information Session
- Contact the Monongalia County SWA

SAFETY DISPOSE OF HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

E-Cigarette Waste

Electronic cigarettes (e-cigarettes) contain lithium batteries, plastic, and chemicals that negatively impact the environment.

If not disposed of properly, e-cigarettes can potentially lead to landfill fires and release chemicals and micro plastics to the environment.

Try reaching out to your local E-cigarette company to see if they offer a resource for proper disposal!

You likely can properly dispose of your E-cigarettes at MUB's Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day Event (*check MUB's List of Accepted Items)

July
Household Hazardous Waste with
Carly's Corner

Litter Control Programs

Beverly's Corner

Beverly Van Helsing

Monongalia County Solid Waste Authority

LITTER CONTROL

DID YOU KNOW?

In the 2020 Keep America Beautiful National Litter Study, 9 out of 10 littered items counted were 4" and less, with cigarette butts being the number one littered item in this category, accounting for 9.7 billion butts counted on any given day in the United States.

WV Department of Environmental Protection Rehabilitation Environmental Action Plan (REAP) strives to clean up litter in West Virginia and offers several state cleanup programs for residents.

WV Make It Shine Program
Adopt-A-Highway
Adopt-A-Stream

Keep America Beautiful has reported a 50% decrease in cigarette litter in the areas where they have implemented their Cigarette Litter Prevention Program

West Virginia
Make It Shine
Adopt-A-Highway
Adopt-A-Stream

REAP

HOW YOU CAN CONTRIBUTE

Fortunately, TerraCycle offers a free program that accepts cigarette waste for disposal. Simply collect the cigarette butts, print their free shipping label, and they take care of the rest! It's that easy! For every pound of cigarette waste sent \$1.00 is donated towards the Keep America Beautiful Cigarette Litter Prevention Program!

August
Litter Control Program with
Beverly's Corner





About the Monongalia County Solid Waste Authority

The **Monongalia County Solid Waste Authority** has a five-member volunteer board of directors who are in charge of managing the powers and duties of the Monongalia County SWA. The current Monongalia County SWA Board of Directors are

Mr. Mike McCawley, Chairman

Mr. David Custer Co-Chairman

Mr. Eldon A. Callen, Board member

Mr. Mark Myers, Board member

Mr. H. R. Scott, Board member

Ms. Lynn Castro is the Director of the Monongalia County SWA. Mr. Hayward Helmick was a Board member until October 2025 and contributed at the meetings for the activities covered in this calendar and deserves recognition for his participation.

What the Monongalia County SWA Accomplished in 2025

It was an amazing, and busy year with many successful accomplishments in 2025. The table to the right shows the outcomes from 2021 – 2025 with the Paper Shred and Electronics Collection Events and the Community Reusable Latex Paint Program data on each calendar page.

Events – this year was the first year we offered two paper shred and two electronics recycling collection events! Then, we screened latex paint for our reusable latex paint program at Friends of Deckers Creek Paint Exchange. We held two pick up for residents to pick up reusable latex paint.

Increased “Getting the Word Out about Events” and Education Information

Here are some of the activities we accomplished in 2025 to reach residents

- Created a 2025 Schedule of Events and added it to MUB’s billing mailer and passed out at events
- Created a Spring & Fall Collection Events and Paint Pick Up Event Banner at the Recycle Center
- Held seven Information Sessions with special guests to discuss environmental topics
- Wrote and designed the How To Reduce, Reuse and Properly Dispose of Latex Paint article and ad

We also held several calendar distribution events and participated at the Morgantown Farmers Market, Scott’s Run Resonance Project’s Repair Café, MUB’s HHWC Day Event, MCC Recycle Center New Location Opening Day and Morgantown’s October Arts Walk!



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A Resource for Monongalia County Residents

To learn about reduce, reuse, recycle, compost, repair, recycling events and more!

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Monongalia County SWA 2021 - 2025 Events Held Statistics						
Number of Events Held	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	
E-cycle	1	1	1	1	2	
Paper Shred	-	-	1	1	2	
Pesticide	-	1	-	1	0	
Paint Pick Up	-	-	-	-	2	
Total	1	2	2	3	6	

2023 - 2025 Paper Shred Event Statistics				
	2023	2024	2025	2025
	Spring	Spring	Spring	Fall
Number of Participants	77	138	172	152
Material Collected Tonnage	2.5	5.0	5.1	3.1
				8.2

2021 - 2025 Electronics Recycling Event Statistics						
	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2025
	Fall	Fall	Fall	Fall	Spring	Fall
Number of Participants	293	194	297	369	423	255
Event Number of Hours	4	4	4	3	4	3
Material Collected Tonnage	11.7*	4.5	9.0	11.3	9.8	6.1
						15.9

*The 2021 event included the collection of scrap metal. Events after 2021 only collected electronics.

2025 Community Latex Paint Reuse Program - Paint PICK UP Event Statistics		
	Event #1	Event #2
Containers for Reuse Program Event	85	63
Number of Containers Picked Up	22	63
Number of Participants	6	16
		22

2022 and 2024 Pesticide Collection Event Statistics	
	2022
Participants	15
Total Collected	27.5 Gallons
	4,060 Pounds

Scan the QR Code to view the
Monongalia County SWA
2021 – 2025 Events Held Statistics and
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Thank You Hayward Helmick

In October 2025, our longest, and one of the most, if not *the most*, dedicated board member, Mr. Hayward Helmick, resigned from the Monongalia County Solid Waste Authority Board. Hayward played an important role at the Monongalia County SWA as Chairman and Board member over the years and the Board of Directors, and Director, are saddened that he has stepped down. Hayward is one of a kind. He is extremely smart and knowledgeable about all things solid waste in West Virginia including history, codes and legislation. He is a WV solid waste encyclopedia of knowledge. We will miss him dearly at the meetings, events and just participating in the SWA affairs. He was strong in his position, and drive, to see a better way to manage municipal solid waste in Monongalia County (and the state). We had countless valuable discussions and learned a great deal from Hayward. The Monongalia County SWA, and Monongalia County residents, were fortunate to have Hayward onboard for all of these years. Hayward, thank you for all of your dedicated years of service to the Monongalia County Solid Waste Authority. You are already missed and we hope you'll stop by a meeting, event or activity to see how things are going.

Thank You for your Support – Our Partners - MUB – Chris Dale and Sam's Club-UTC - Misty Ulderich

Since 2015, the Monongalia County SWA has had limited funding, space, one staff member and the five-member volunteer board of directors. To try to accomplish as much as we can, we look for partners to help us provide services for Monongalia County residents. This year, we want to recognize two partners who have helped us over the years.

Morgantown Utility Board (MUB) – Chris Dale, Communications Director. Chris Dale, and MUB, have supported us by sharing our materials, loaning us safety cones, helping with questions, being an Information Session special guest speaker and always willing to help. In addition, MUB has hosted the Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day Event over the years. We are grateful to MUB, and Chris, for hosting the Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day Event and for supporting our efforts. Thank you, Chris and MUB!

Sam's Club-UTC – Misty Ulderich, General Manager. Misty Ulderich has welcomed the Monongalia County SWA to host our Electronics Recycling and Reusable Latex Paint Pick Up Events at the Sam's Club-UTC location since 2021. Misty, and her team, provide support during the event to make sure things run smoothly and to make us feel welcomed. Thank you Misty and Sam's Club, for making us feel welcomed to your site and for taking such good care of us!

Thank You to our West Virginia University (WVU) Partner and Students

Ms. Andrea Soccorsi –This is the third calendar Ms. Soccorsi has offered students to be involved in from her Multidisciplinary Studies Capstone course at WVU. Ms. Soccorsi's students produced pages for the 2021 and 2022 calendars. It is always a wonderful experience to work with Ms. Soccorsi. Thank you, Andrea, for your continued support of our calendars; we can't thank you enough!

Mr. Aries Hospedales-Alexander, Ms. Carly Russell and Ms. Beverly Van Helsing – Aries, Carly and Beverly did a fantastic job preparing their page for the 2026 calendar. We enjoyed working with them and appreciate their contribution to this year's calendar! Thank you, Aries, Carly and Beverly!

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Monongalia County Solid Waste Authority

Information Sessions

The **Monongalia County SWA** Information Sessions are a series of discussions about topics and available programs available for residents. Some of the topics include:

- Household Hazardous Waste Collection
- WV DEP Youth Environmental Program
- Composting
- Repair Café
- Recycling and Waste
- Other topics

Join us for our FREE Spring 2026 Information Sessions!

The **Monongalia County Solid Waste Authority** will be hosting our online Information Sessions again this year!



will be hosting
Spring 2026
Information Sessions Online
Schedule Coming Soon!

Scan the QR Code to view the **Information Sessions** webpage and **Subscribe to our E-newsletter** for updates

On the Schedule



February 12th

Youth Environmental Program (YEP)
Susan Carroll, YEP District 2 Coordinator
WV DEP Youth Environmental Program



Household Hazardous Waste Collection

Chris Dale, Director of Communications
Morgantown Utility Board (MUB)



Repair Café

DJ Cassell, Program Director
Scott's Run Resonance Project



Recycling and What Happens to Waste

Tom Beary, General Manager
Republic Services



Youth Composting Education and Programming

Lauren Click, Executive Director
Let's Go Compost



Various Environmental Sustainability Topics with Special Guests (pollinator gardening, gardening, latex paint, and more)

Hosted by Lynn Castro, Director
Monongalia County SWA



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18	19 Martin Luther King Jr. Day	20	21	22	23	24	
25	26	27	28	29	30	31	

Did you know? Monongalia County SWA's Information Sessions are free online from February – May. For the updated schedule, topics and guest speakers visit monongaliacountyswa.com/info-sessions



Monongalia County Solid Waste Authority

The **YEP** mission is to provide challenges and opportunities to the youth of our state to participate in environmental projects within their communities



Youth Environmental Program



Events

- WV Make It Shine Program
- Youth Environmental Day
- Junior Conservation Camp June 22 – 26
- Youth Environmental Conference (fall)

west virginia department of environmental protection

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The **YEP** is a free statewide program for any youth group including Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, FFA, 4-H, schools, classes, home school, church youth groups and families!

The **YEP** Program Coordinators work with your class, family or youth program teaching environmental lessons and more!

Learn more about the **YEP** program at the free online **YEP Information Session** with Susan Carroll, YEP Coordinator, on February 12th, at 6:00 pm. Scan the QR code to Register to Attend



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February 2026



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 Groundhog Day	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14 Valentine's Day
15	16 Presidents' Day	17	18 Ash Wednesday National Battery Day	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28

January 2026							March 2026						
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18	19	20	21	22	23	24	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
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Did you know?

The YEP West Virginia Make it Shine Spring Clean Up is usually held in April. Registration is due in March. To apply visit dep.wv.gov



Monongalia County
Solid Waste Authority

WV Department of Environmental Protection - REAP

2026 Monthly Tire Collection Events



**The WV DEP-REAP Tire Collection Events
begins this month!**

**WV DEP-REAP Monthly Tire Collection Event
2026 Schedule
Coming Soon!**

March - November

Location:
City of Morgantown
Garage
200 M-Tec Drive

Time:
8:00 am - 12:00 pm
Hosted by the City of
Morgantown

Details:

- Open to WV residents
- WV resident ID required
- Tires must be off the rim
- Up to 12 tires accepted
- Only tires from cars or
light trucks accepted
- Not open to businesses

**The event occurs on a designated
Saturday each month**

Schedule subject to change

Where to Find the Schedule and Details



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**Monongalia County Solid Waste
Authority**

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304-292-3801
monongaliacountyswa.com/disposal-tire

Hosted by City of Morgantown

comms@morgantownwv.gov
morgantownwv.gov/688/
Recycling-Guide



**WV DEP-REAP Tire Collection
Events website**

dep.wv.gov/environmental-
advocate/reap/tires/Pages/
TireCollectionEvents.aspx



Scan the QR Code to find details on our Disposal-Tire webpage and to [Subscribe to our E-newsletter!](#)



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March 2026



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8 Daylight Saving Time Begins	9	10	11	12	13	14
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Did you know? The DEA National Prescription Take Back Day is held in April and October. Visit our website for event dates: monongaliacountyswa.com/events-1



Monongalia County
Solid Waste Authority

Paper Shredding Event



Join us for our FREE Spring and Fall 2026 Paper Shredding Events!

The **Monongalia County Solid Waste Authority**
will be hosting **two** events again this year!

- All documents remain secure at PACE's location, then shredded and recycled!
- To prepare for this event read the ***How to Prepare for Recycle and Disposal Collection Events*** in the middle of this calendar



Monongalia County
Solid Waste Authority

will be holding two FREE

Paper Shredding Events
9:00 am - 12:00 pm
at PACE Enterprises

Spring

April 11, 2026

Fall

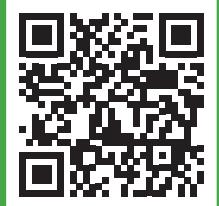
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2023 - 2025 Paper Shred Event Statistics

	2023	2024	2025		2025
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Number of Participants	77	138	172	93	265
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April 2026



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Community Compost and Garden Demonstration Site

Join us at our Community Compost Demonstration and Garden Site this spring at the City of Westover Park!

The **Monongalia County SWA** will be starting a **Community Compost and Flower Garden Demonstration Site** and a **Pollinator Garden**!

- The site is small and will **NOT** be a “facility” with large production
- Participation is limited
- Volunteer hours required for compost or flowers
- City of Westover residents have first priority
- The **Pollinator Garden** will be set up and maintained by the **Monongalia County Beekeepers Association**
- All Monongalia County residents are welcome to participate and volunteer



Sponsors Welcome!

Contact us if your organization would like to donate time or materials, or be a sponsor for our **Community Compost and Garden Demonstration Site**. Join **West Virginia Women Work** as one of our project partners helping with infrastructure!

Scan the QR Code to learn more about opportunities to participate, volunteer, attend a workshop or to be a sponsor!

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will be holding
Community Composting, Flower Gardening, and Pollinator Gardening Workshops

at the
Monongalia County SWA Community Compost and Garden Demo Site

Spring Dates and Times

TBD

Location

- City of Westover Park – next to the tennis and bocce courts across from the pond
- Enter at 520 DuPont Road

Scan the QR code to Register to Attend a free online **Information Session** to learn more about these workshops and the Demo Site!



May 2026



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Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

April 2026							June 2026								
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3	4	5 Cinco de Mayo	6	7	8	9									
10 Mother's Day	11	12	13	14	15	16 Armed Forces Day									
17	18	19	20	21	22	23									
24	25 Memorial Day	26	27	28	29 National Learn About Composting Day	30									
31															

Did you know? The Institute for Local Self Reliance has a Community Composting Training course and more. Learn more at: ilsr.org/composting/community-composters/



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SCOTT'S RUN RESONANCE-PASSING IT FORWARD says

Don't throw THAT away!

We can FIX it...at the

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Scott's Run Resonance Project images by Eve Faulkes

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Repair Cafe

Aries's Corner



Aries Hospedales

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Image from www.repaircafe.org/fr/vendredi-25-avril-le-cinquieme-webinaire-international-du-repair-cafe

Benefits on the Environment:

- Reducing waste going to the landfills
- Less pollution
- Cuts back on carbon emissions



Image from www.repaircafedupre.fr/repair-cafe

The Repair Café is a great way to bring the community together and foster unity.

In July 2023, the Scott's Run Resonance Project held its first Repair Café in Osage for the community.



June 2026



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7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14 Flag Day	15 Waste and Recycling Workers Appreciation Week	16 Pollinator Week Global Garbage Man (& Woman) Day	17	18	19 Juneteenth	20 West Virginia Day
21 Father's Day First Day of Summer	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	July 2026 S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31			

Did you know? Waste and Recycling Workers Appreciation Week is June 14 - 21. Show appreciation to your waste and recycling worker this week!



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How to Recycle or Properly Dispose of Hard to Recycle or Hard to Dispose of Items

How to dispose of Propane tanks?



Propane and Helium Tanks

Propane and helium tanks, including small camping propane canisters, should be disposed of at a household hazardous waste collection event.

During the year, check to see if the manufacturers' or local stores' have a recycle, refill, or reuse program (some do).

Try This Instead

- Buy helium balloons at the store
- Rent a reusable helium tank

The **Monogalia County SWA** does **NOT** provide household hazardous waste collection.

Plan Ahead Tips!

When purchasing **hard to recycle and hard to properly dispose of items**

- Ask a knowledgeable person **at the store** about any recycle, reuse or refill programs **they provide**
 - Some **local** stores do have these options
- Check the product's website for recycling, reuse, or refill programs



Fire Extinguishers

Fire Extinguishers should be disposed of at a household hazardous waste collection event or **during the year**, Fire Extinguishers can be recharged (to save money instead of buying a new one), recycled or disposed of at:

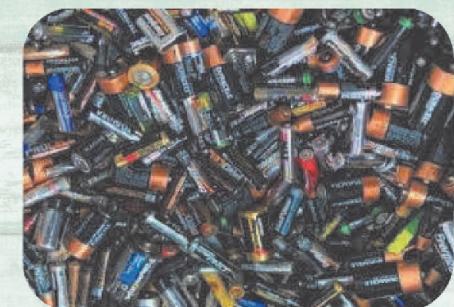
- **JT Martin Fire and Safety**, Clarksburg, WV
- **A & I Fire Extinguisher**, Uniontown, PA

Single-use household batteries

Single-use household batteries are usually accepted at the household hazardous waste collection event.

During the year, residents can recycle single-use batteries at:

- Staples
- Mail-in programs like TerraCycle



Scan the QR Code to learn about the next Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event and other Disposal Tips

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Plan Ahead

The Monongalia County SWA Paper Shred and Electronics Recycle Events kick off our first collection events of the year making it a perfect time to share *How to Prepare for the Hard to Recycle and Hard to Dispose of Items Collection Events*. To prepare, residents will want to Plan Ahead, Review the List of Accepted Items, Know Participation and Safety Guidelines, and Keep Informed.

Tips to Plan Ahead

- **Mark the event date, time and location on your calendar.**
- **View the location of the event** to be familiar with where the event is held and how to line up to enter. Our events have a map and directions for our large events. MUB also has a map on their webpage.
- **Review the List of Accepted Items** to make sure the items you are bringing will be accepted.

Scan the QR Code to read the full article or Blog post with links to maps and other organizations on our website

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How to Prepare for Recycle and Disposal Collection Events

Review the List of Accepted Items

It is important for residents to *Review the List of Accepted Items* before the collection event. The List of Accepted Items is on the website of the organization holding the collection event. We recommend residents also review the *List of Items Not Accepted*. If an item is not on the list residents should contact the organization hosting the event.



Know Participation and Safety Guidelines

Stay in Vehicle, Leave Pets at Home, Read HHWC Safety Information

Please remain in your vehicle and leave pets at home. This is for the safety of residents, staff, volunteers, the professional staff and to avoid long delays. Also, read MUB's **HHWC Safety Information** for their Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day Event.



Professional staff will unload your items

Monongalia County SWA staff, or volunteers, will greet you at our events. If you need to explain the contents of your items or if you have questions, please let the staff know when they greet you.

Keep Informed - What to Do If You Miss the Event

Keep informed by simply Scanning the QR Code and:

- Visit our website
- Subscribe to our e-newsletter
- Attend our online spring Information and Q & A Sessions. View January for a list of topics.
- Follow us on social media





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MUB's Annual Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day Event
2026 date and time could not be confirmed.



To learn more:

- Visit mub.org/hhwc
- Read the *How to Prepare for Recycle and Disposal Collection Events* in the middle of this calendar
- Check our Events webpage monongaliacountyswa.com/events-1
- Subscribe to our E-newsletter

Tips for Disposing or Recycling Hazardous Waste During the Year

- Attend the Household Hazardous Waste Information Session
- Contact the Monongalia County SWA



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Household Hazardous Waste

Carly's Corner



Carly Russell

E-Cigarette Waste

Electronic cigarettes (E-cigarettes) contain lithium batteries, plastic, and chemicals that negatively impact the environment.

Do **NOT** throw away e-cigarettes in the trash can or recycling bin!



If not disposed of properly, e-cigarettes can potentially lead to landfill fires and release chemicals and micro plastics to the environment.

Try reaching out to your local E-cigarette company to see if they offer a resource for proper disposal!

You likely can properly dispose of your E-cigarettes at MUB'S Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day Event (*check MUB's List of Accepted Items)



July 2026

PLASTICS-FREE JULY



Monongalia County
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Did you know? Monongalia County SWA's Events webpage has current reduce, repair, collection and distribution events listed at monongaliacountyswa.com/events-1



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Latex Paint

2025 Community Latex Paint Reuse Program Statistics

Number of Events Attended to Screen Paint for Reuse	1
Number of Pick Up Events Held	2
Total Containers Screened (estimate of 70% of 827)	579
Total Containers for Reuse Program	152
Total Containers Picked Up by Residents	132
Total Containers Picked Up by Non-profit Organization	20
Total Number of Residents Participating	22
Total Number of Non-profit Organizations Participating	1

How to Reduce, Reuse and Properly Dispose of Latex Paint

Buy What You Need **Store Properly**



Use Up Leftover Paint



Share for Reuse **Dispose of Properly**



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Latex Paint is not a hazardous waste.
Dry it out and then you can throw it out in your trash.

- Use an absorbent like cat litter, shredded paper or saw dust to absorb the liquid and let it dry out
- Remove the top and let it air dry and harden
- Use a paint hardener

Visit our Latex Paint webpage to learn more about Latex Paint

Scan the QR Code for information about Latex Paint, to read the article and, to [Subscribe to our E-newsletter](#)

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Subscribe to Our
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updates about a
possible Latex Paint
Collection Event



How To Reduce, Reuse and Properly Dispose of Latex Paint

Buy What You Need
The Friends of Dickey Creek holds their annual Paint Exchange event making it the perfect time to share the paint you no longer need. However, there are some consistent general tips. For example, if you have a paint can with a paint key (instead of a screwdriver to avoid damaging the seal area), close the lid and turn the can upside down. It makes sense if you're not sure how much paint you need for that roses, well as a painter. That's why it's important to know how much you need, you find yourself with leftover paint. Here are some tips for how to reuse or properly dispose of latex paint. First, Buy What You Need, then Store Properly to the Use Up Leftover Paint, then Share for Reuse or Dispose of Properly.

Use Up Leftover Paint
If you don't want to store leftover paint, you can't reuse it. The Paint Exchange or you're not ready to dispose of it, you can use it for a different project or area that could use a nice coat of paint. There are many ideas for the paint you don't want to store. You can use it to paint old furniture or fixtures, picture frames or tires for a planter, steps, and for a neighborhood project. You can also use it to cover your wall or items, but it can bring life to your area or neighborhood and make it look better. The best thing is that the paint is completely dried out and hardened. A few ways to do this is to let it sit in the sun, or use a cat litter or shredded paper to absorb the liquid, or use a paint hardener or the lid to dry out the paint. For more tips about how to reuse, reduce, and properly dispose of latex paint contact the Monongalia County SWA.

Share for Reuse
The Friends of Dickey Creek Paint Exchange is an event where residents can "exchange" latex paint by dropping off old latex paint and getting new paint already been dropped off. Residents do not have to exchange latex paint to receive new paint. You can drop off by end of day or times of pick up paint for free. Latex paint at the end of the event will be collected by the Monongalia County SWA.

Dispose of Properly
To make sure your paint is good to use or share later, you will want to store it properly. There are various specific



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Monongalia County
Solid Waste Authority

Electronics Recycling Event



Join us for our FREE Spring and Fall 2026 Electronics Recycling Events!

The **Monongalia County Solid Waste Authority** will be hosting **two** events again this year!

- To prepare for this event read the ***How to Prepare for Recycle and Disposal Collection Events*** in the middle of this calendar
- Scan the **QR Code** to visit our **Electronics Recycling Event** webpage for details and to **Subscribe to our E-newsletter**



Monongalia County
Solid Waste Authority

will be holding two FREE
Electronics Recycling Events
Spring
Date and Time: TBD
Location: Sam's Club-UTC

Fall

Date, Time, Location: TBD



2021 - 2025 Electronics Recycling Event Statistics

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2025	2025
	Fall	Fall	Fall	Fall	Spring	Fall	Total
Number of Participants	293	194	297	369	423	255	678
Event Number of Hours	4	4	4	3	4	3	7
Material Collected Tonnage	11.7*	4.5	9.0	11.3	9.8	6.1	15.9

*The 2021 event included the collection of scrap metal. Events after 2021 only collected electronics.



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Did you know? The Youth Environmental Program's Annual Fall Youth Environmental Conference is usually held in November. The deadline to register is in October. Visit dep.wv.gov to learn more.



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The WV Department of Environmental Protection Rehabilitation Environmental Action Plan (REAP) strives to clean up litter in West Virginia and offers several state cleanup programs for residents.



WV Make It Shine Program
Adopt-A-Highway
Adopt-A-Stream



Help make West Virginia the cleanest state in the nation

Call or visit the REAP website to learn how to sign up today!

- 1-800-322-5530
- dep.wv.gov/environmental-advocate/reap/Pages/default.aspx

Litter Control Programs

Beverly's Corner



Beverly Van Helsing

LITTER CONTROL

DID YOU KNOW?

In the 2020 Keep America Beautiful National Litter Study, 9 out of 10 littered items counted were 4" and less, with cigarette butts being the number one littered item in this category, accounting for 9.7 billion butts counted on any given day in the United States.

Keep America Beautiful has reported a 50% decrease in cigarette litter in the areas where they have implemented their Cigarette Litter Prevention Program



HOW YOU CAN CONTRIBUTE

Fortunately, TerraCycle offers a free program that accepts cigarette waste for disposal. Simply collect the cigarette butts, print their free shipping label, and they take care of the rest! It's that easy! For every pound of cigarette waste sent \$1.00 is donated towards the Keep America Beautiful Cigarette Litter Prevention Program!

Scan the QR Code for details about the WVDEP-REAP Litter Control Programs!

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Did you know? The Adopt-A-Highway Program holds spring and fall events. For dates and to register your Adopt-a-Highway Program visit dep.wv.gov



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Monongalia County Commission Recycling Drop-off Center



Residential use only

Single-stream recycling

Location

34 Olin St in Morgantown Industrial Park,
Westover

Hours

Monday – Friday
7:00 am – 3:30 pm

Phone Number 304-291-5940

For more information and the Holiday Closure Schedule

moncountyrecycling.com



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Recycling

Western Monongalia County Recycling Residential use only

Source-separated recycling

Location

4120 Fairmont Road

Hours

Open 24/7

Phone Number

304-825-1976

For more information

Marion County Solid Waste Authority

Morgantown Residents Living within City Limits ONLY

Single-stream monthly recycling

Location

Mountaineer Transfer Station
2130 Rail Street, Westover

Business Hours

Second (2nd) Saturday of the month
11:30 am – 2:00 pm

Phone Number 304-284-7405

For more information

City of Morgantown



- ID is required to verify address

Where to Find Options for Hard to Recycle Items

Plan Ahead Shopping Tips

Before purchasing *hard to recycle items*

- Ask a knowledgeable person **at the store** about any recycle programs **they provide**
- Check the product's website for recycling or sustainability programs

Mail-in Options

TerraCycle and other companies provide some free and fee-based options to recycle many hard to recycle items.



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November 2026



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Did you know? The Recycling Coalition of WV, Inc.
“It All Comes Back to You” has educational resources, programs,
 and the Take the Recycling Pledge at wvrecycles.com



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THINKGREEN BEFORE YOU SHOP

Reduce Waste Tips:

- Wait** to replace the product.
- You'll save money and natural resources.
- You'll extend the life of the landfill.



- Borrow, Lend, Give** - look for Lending or Community Giving or Blessing Boxes and Tools to Borrow or Other Items to Borrow.
- The Community Giving and Blessing Boxes include food, hygiene items, pet food and other helpful products for people in need.
- There are several in Monongalia County.



- The Little Free Library - littlefreelibrary.org/ lists local book boxes to lend, give or borrow a book.
- There are several in Monongalia County or start your own!



Repair

- There are over 2,500 Repair Cafés worldwide.
- Check out Scotts Run Resonance Café for their next event or start your own!



Repair

Wait

Borrow, Lend, Give

Plan Meals

Use Reusable and Rechargeable Products

Leave Grass Clippings on the lawn

How To Reduce Food Waste



Leave Grass Clippings and Yard Waste on the Lawn

- Leaves form a natural mulch that helps suppress weeds and at the same time fertilize the soil as they break down.
- Removing leaves from your yard takes away important wildlife habitat.
- Wildlife rely on leaf litter for food, shelter and nesting material.
- Use the "browns" for composting!



Recycle

Compost

Reduce Waste Tips

Use Reusable and Rechargeable Products



- Purchase reusable travel mugs, water bottles, bags, rechargeable batteries and more.

Repurpose

by upcycling and DIY by making other products to reuse in a new way.

- Check out ways to repurpose items to create your Little Free Library



Donate

- your clean and gently used items to local charities.

Refuse

single-use items like

- straws
- utensils
- bags (plastic & paper)
- Shop for items with less packaging
- Shop the Farmers' Market where there is less packaging.
- Forget you bags? Add "Bags" to the top of your list.



Swap

- Look for local companies holding Swap Events.
- Hold a Community Outerwear Clothing or General Swap Event where clothing, or a variety of clean and reusable items are swapped for FREE!
- Check out GrownNYC.org/Swap Hosting Your Own Swap A Grown NYC DIY Guide for ideas on how to get started!



Refuse (single-use items)

Repurpose

Swap



Scan the QR Code to learn more about Information Sessions with Special Guests discussing reduce waste topics!

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December 2026



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Did you know? The Tips to Reduce Waste Going to Landfill is a Blog post with links to resources on our website at monongaliacountyswa.com/blog



The **Monongalia County Solid Waste Authority** was created by the West Virginia Legislature on January 1, 1989, as a public agency in accordance with WV Code §22C-4-3. The Legislative intent was to protect the public health and welfare with a comprehensive program of solid waste collection, processing, recycling, and disposal, managed for the most part, on the local level. Responsibilities of the authorities include but are not limited to acquisition, construction of and/or operation of solid waste facilities; local and/or regional solid waste planning; siting approval of commercial solid waste facilities; coordinating public education and awareness; solid waste and litter control project coordination/ management and many other things consistent with WV Code §22C-4.

The purpose of the Monongalia County Solid Waste Authority is to protect the public health and welfare by providing for a comprehensive program of solid waste collection, processing, recycling, and disposal. Further, the Monongalia County SWA exists to establish programs based on source reduction, recycling, reuse, material recover and lastly, landfilling.

The Monongalia County SWA has a five-member board of directors who are in charge of managing the powers and duties of the Monongalia County SWA. These board members are appointed by different agencies which include: the Secretary of the WV Department of Environmental Protection, the Monongalia County Commission, the board of supervisors for the Monongahela Conservation District, and the chairman of the Public Service Commission.

For more information from the Monongalia County Solid Waste Authority

Visit Our Website monongaliacountyswa.com

For more resources and to learn more about reduce waste tips, composting, reusable latex paint, repair, recycling, collection events and ways to recycle or dispose of hard to recycle and hard to dispose of items, Blog articles, Youth Resources, and more!

Subscribe to Our Monthly Electronic Newsletter (E-newsletter)

Scan the QR Code and scroll to the bottom of any webpage to complete the **Subscribe to Our E-newsletter** form. The e-newsletter keeps residents up to date on current activity in the county about collection events, ways to recycle or properly dispose of items, holiday closures, updates and much more! Take a Peek Inside previous e-newsletters to see just how much is covered.

Follow Us on Social Media

Residents can find the **Monongalia County Solid Waste Authority** on Facebook, Instagram, and Nextdoor.

Contact Us!

You can reach us through the **Contact Us** form on our website monongaliacountyswa.com. Call us at 304-292-3801. Email us at moncountyswa@gmail.com

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How to Recycle or Dispose of Appliances with Freon

(NOT accepted at the
Mountaineer Transfer Station)

Appliances with freon like refrigerators, freezers, window air conditioners and dehumidifiers need to be disposed of or recycled properly.

- Appliances with freon can be dropped off at **Appliance Discounters**, in Westover, for free.
- Most appliance retailers will haul away an appliance for a small fee when you purchase a new one.



Scan the QR Code to visit our Disposal webpage for details, links and to read the **MTS Information Sheet**.

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More Disposal and Recycle Information

Mountaineer Transfer Station

The Mountaineer Transfer Station (MTS) is owned and operated by Republic Services. The MTS is where residents can take their trash to dispose of and recycling to recycle it for a FEE.

FREE DAY

The MTS Monthly Free Day is the **1st Thursday of each month**.

- Only household garbage properly bagged will be accepted.

Location

2130 Rail Street, Morgantown Industrial Park in Westover

Business Hours

Monday - Friday: 5:30 am - 3:00 pm
Saturday: 7:00 am - 11:00 am

Phone Number 304-368-7735

Holiday Closed Schedule

• New Year's Day	• Labor Day
• Memorial Day	• Thanksgiving Day
• Independence Day	• Christmas Day

Some of the Items NOT Accepted at the Mountaineer Transfer Station

- **Appliances Containing Freon** – see the left side of this page
- **Electronics** – view our Electronics Recycling Event details on the **September calendar page**
- **Hazardous Waste** (including pesticides, oil) – view MUB's Annual **Residential Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day** Event details on the **July calendar page**
- **Tires** – see Monthly Tire Collection Event details on the **March calendar page**
- **For other items** not accepted and on the MTS Information Sheet – contact us





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