

Millersville Landfill & Resource Recovery Facility Community Update

Anne Arundel County Department of Public Works
Bureau of Waste Management Services

Yard Waste Recycling

The arrival of fall means it's yard waste season. Although yard waste is picked up curbside every week of the year, volumes increase during the spring and fall. This can lead to busy days for our collectors! If you find that your yard waste was not collected on your normal collection day, please leave your items at the curb until our collectors can finish their routes. You can also call our customer service line at 410-222-6100, to get the most up to date information or report a missed collection. Residents also have the option to bring yard waste directly to our facility, Monday through Saturday, 8am to 4pm.

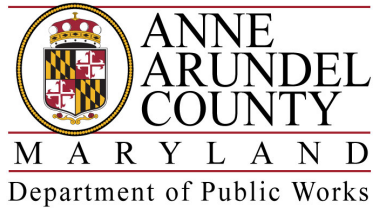


Curbside yard waste is composted at our facility. Composting is a natural process of breaking down organic matter. This means no plastic bags, trash bags, or any foreign objects should be included in your yard waste. For your curbside service, residents may use either kraft-paper yard waste bags or a rigid plastic or metal trash container marked with an "X" on all sides. Do not use a yellow recycling container for yard waste.

Leaves, grass clippings, brush and small limbs are all accepted in the curbside yard waste program. Brush and limbs may be placed in a container or tied into bundles less than 4 feet in length and limbs should be less than 4 inches in diameter.

Did you know that you can compost leaves right at home? To encourage home composting, we offer a free backyard composting kit for County residents. Reduce the amount of yard waste you produce and turn your leaves into a rich soil amendment which can be used in flower beds and gardens. Your plants will thank you! Kits are available at the Central Recycling Center located on Burns Crossing Rd.

In addition, leaves can be mulched using a mulching mower. Just rake the leaves into a long line and mulch away! The mower does the hard work for you and the nutrients are returned to the soil.



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This Community Update was prepared by Anne Arundel County, Department of Public Works, Bureau of Waste Management Services.

Its purpose is to provide information about current and future operations at the Millersville Landfill & Resource Recovery Facility, and related activities that may interest our neighbors.



Recycle Coach

Household waste information at your fingertips.

This **free** app provides collection reminders, holiday changes, emergency alerts, the "What Goes Where" search tool, & more!



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Millersville Landfill Cell 9 Capacity Enhancement

The County's General Development Plan (Plan2040) provides the framework to protect the natural environment, shape development, and ensure the hard work of planning for essential public services for our communities is well reasoned and transparent to stakeholders. Plan 2040 includes goals for various community services that are intended to address changing demographics and future development patterns. Among others, Plan2040 includes a very specific policy to maximize the life expectancy of the Millersville Landfill and delay its replacement long into the future.



Since the Millersville Landfill was opened in the mid-1970's, it has operated under evolving local, state and federal regulatory requirements. A Refuse Disposal Permit is issued by the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) in five-year cycles.

Under the County's current programs, the active Cell 9 disposal area at the Millersville Landfill is expected to reach capacity in late 2048. To address the Plan2040 requirements, the County has studied ways to increase capacity using industry-accepted design standards, and without changing the overall 84 acre size of Cell 9. Additional capacity can safely be gained by increasing the ultimate height of Cell 9 by about 41 feet, steepening the landfill side slopes, modifying the methods used to construct stormwater controls and incorporating alternative materials into its final closure capping system.

The County hired an engineering consultant to assist in preparing a Permit Modification Application to pursue these volume-enhancing elements through MDE's process. The current daily activities at the landfill will not change; however, this permit modification may extend the utility of Cell 9 beyond 2060.

Please visit Anne Arundel County Public Works News at <https://www.aacounty.org/public-works/news/cell-9-volume-enhancements> or Scan the QR code below for additional information concerning this initiative.



Public Works News!



ITEMS ACCEPTED:

- Fruits & Vegetables
- Tea Bags & Loose Tea
- Eggs & Eggshells
- Meat (including bones)
- Pizza Boxes (greasy)
- Leftovers & Spoiled Foods
- Food-Soiled Newspaper
- Paper Ice Cream Containers
- Bread, Pasta, Grains (no raw dough)
- Coffee Grounds/Filters (no Keurig cups)
- All Cardboard Boxes (including Waxed Produce)
- Dairy Products (no containers)
- Paper Towels & Napkins (kitchen only)
- Uncoated/Compostable Paper Plates
- Uncoated Paper Bags w/ Food Scraps
- Seafood (in paper bag or newspaper)

NOT ACCEPTED:

- PLASTICS (NO BAGS, NO WRAP!)
- Grease and Fats
- Pet Waste
- Diapers
- Glass
- Styrofoam®
- Compostable Bags or Tableware
- Facial or Bathroom Tissue
- Foil or Plastic-Backed Paper
- Aluminum Foil or Pans
- Household Trash or Litter
- Any containers other than paper

Reduce waste and help make compost in three easy steps:

COLLECT

A countertop compost bin is a great tool for this program. Chopping up scraps will help fit more food and paper into your collection!

FILL

Whenever your countertop container is full, empty it into a larger reusable container with a tight-fitting lid. A 5-Gallon bucket works!

DROP-OFF

Empty your collection bin into our designated collection cart. Remember, only food and paper are allowed—no plastic, metal, or glass.

Available at all County Recycling Centers! Visit: <https://www.aacounty.org/departments/public-works/waste-management/recycling-centers/> for more info including locations, hours of operations, and other exciting ways to Recycle More Here.

Central Recycling Center Updates

Please pardon our dust and minor interruptions in our services... Over the next 6-8 months, Waste Management Services will be working on a number of upgrades at the Central Recycling Center (CRC) that will improve the customer experience for years to come.



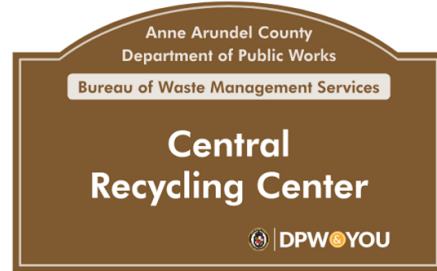
The Meet & Greet area, and Used Oil & Antifreeze Drop-off Building reopened on July 24, 2023 after significant upgrades were completed.



Construction began on the Lower Wall Drop-Off Area Upgrades, including structural repairs, paving, painting, signage, and storm water pipe repair in September 2023.

This project required a full shutdown for the Lower Recycling Wall drop-off area from September to early November 2023 to allow the new concrete pads to cure fully before resuming dumpster transfer operations. During this time

customers with larger loads were asked to visit the Millersville Landfill recycling drop-off area, or one of the other two (2) County Recycling Centers.



Entrance Improvements along Burns Crossing Road, including turning lane extensions, front entrance landscaping, storm water enhancements, and new facility signage, etc. are planned for December 2023 – March 2024.

This project will create lane restrictions and overnight lane closures along Burns Crossing Road and at the three (3) entrances to the Bureau facilities for the entirety of the project.



Holiday Collection Schedule

Holidays		Landfill & Recycling Centers	Curbside Collection
Veterans Day	NOV 10 (Fri)	Closed	Normal collections will occur
Thanksgiving Day	NOV 23 (Thu)	Closed	Thursday collections occur Friday
Thanksgiving Friday	NOV 24 (Fri)	Closed	Friday collections occur Saturday
Christmas	DEC 25 (Mon)	Closed	Monday collections occur Tuesday Tuesday collections occur Wednesday



Department of Public Works

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Operating Hours

The current operating schedule for the Millersville Landfill and Resource Recovery Facility is:

Monday – Saturday 8:00 am – 4:00 pm

Check our website www.aacounty.org/departments/public-works/waste-management for dates that our facility is closed.

Please feel free to contact us at any time. We want to hear from you, especially if you have a concern.

Stephen Krajcsik – Operations Administrator
Michael Porath – Disposal & Maintenance Manager
Rich Bowen – Recycling & Waste Reduction Manager
Anita Grayson-Evans – Community Services Manager

Please refer any questions or comments to these individuals at 410-222-6108 Monday through Friday 8:00 am to 4:00 pm.

Outside of business hours, for emergencies call 410-222-8400 and for inquiries please contact us using 311 by visiting our website or using the 311 app.

