

# RECYCLING & REUSE FACILITIES IN GENESEE COUNTY

Free services unless noted otherwise

 *Indicates facility accepts hazardous waste – listed items only* 

- BOXES:** Cereal, cracker, pasta, pop, tissue boxes are box/paper board NOT cardboard and are smooth without ridges. Take to facilities accepting boxboard.
- PLASTIC:** Look for # inside triangle usually located on bottom of plastics. Facilities taking just #1 and #2 plastics accept bottles and jugs ONLY.  
#1 - #7 plastics accepted at GLR in Flint Township - no styrofoam or bags.
- GLASS:** No drop-off facilities are currently accepting glass, however many curbside programs do.
- BATTERIES:** Rechargeable batteries can be found in laptops, cordless phones and power tools, digital cameras, camcorders, remote control toys and 2-way radios.
- PHONES/COMPUTERS:** Investigate disk cleaning software on your search engine (free on shareware sites or purchase via commercial sites) or consult a professional. Reformatting hard drive, deleting files and emptying recycle bin is inadequate. Remove SIM card if it has stored phone #s.

**NEVER COMBINE FLUIDS OF ANY KIND FOR RECYCLING!**

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## MULTIPLE COUNTY LOCATIONS

*Check phone book for location closest to you*

### Advance Auto Parts

- Motor oil
- Gear oil
- Transmission fluid
- Lead acid batteries (auto, marine, tractor)

### AT&T

- Cell phones (in store or by mail)
- Trade Up program gives credit for device (any carrier) with purchase of new AT&T device

### Auto Zone

- Motor oil
- Brake fluid
- Transmission fluid
- Lead acid batteries (auto, marine, tractor)

### Batteries Plus

- Alkaline batteries
- Rechargeable batteries
- Lead acid batteries (auto, marine, tractor)
- Laptops/netbooks
- Cell phones
- MP3 players, PDAs & portable tools

### Goodwill Industries

- All household items - furnishings, appliances, electronics (including cell phones/computers), clothing (for resale or salvage)

### Home Depot

- Batteries – cordless power tool batteries
- Compact fluorescent light bulbs (unbroken)
- Plastic plant trays/flats, pots and tags

### Household Hazardous Waste

May and Oct. Check county for dates/locations [www.co.genesee.mi.us](http://www.co.genesee.mi.us) or call Keep Genesee County Beautiful at 767-9696.

### Kroger

- Plastic shopping bags

### Liberty Tax Service

- Cell phones
- Toner cartridges
- iPods

### Lowe's

- Plastic plant trays, pots, tags
- Plastic shopping bags
- Compact fluorescent lightbulbs (CFLs)
- Rechargeable batteries
- Cell phones

### Meijer

- Plastic shopping bags

### **O'Reilly Auto (formerly Murray's) ⚠**

- Motor oil ▪ Brake fluid ▪ Transmission fluid
- Lead acid batteries (auto, marine, tractor)

### **Radio Shack ⚠**

- Rechargeable batteries
- Cell phones
- Trade in program - receive gift card for mobile phone, cameras, MP3players, camcorders, tablets, laptops, games, game consoles, GPS receivers, car audio, HDTV. Read eligibility details at [radioshack.cexchange.com/](http://radioshack.cexchange.com/)

### **Salvation Army ⚠**

- All household items - furnishings, appliances, electronics (including cell phones/computers), clothing (for resale or salvage)

### **Sprint ⚠**

- Buyback Program - credit for eligible cell phones, air cards (any carrier) in-store/online
- Project Connect – free mail-in envelope at Sprint owned stores or print online for cell phones, batteries, accessories, data cards (all models regardless of carrier or condition)

### **Staples ⚠**

- All inkjet/toner cartridges (get Staples Rewards)
- Rechargeable batteries
- Cell phones, pagers, PDAs, GPS devices
- Desk/laptops, monitors, printers, shredders
- Digital cameras and digital music players▪
- Plastic shopping bags
- Shredding service \$.079 per pound
- Get Staples gift card for eligible electronics noted at [staples.gazelle.com](http://staples.gazelle.com)

### **UPS Store (retail stores only)**

- Packing peanuts and blocks
- Bubble wrap

### **Verizon Wireless ⚠**

- Cell phones
- Rechargeable batteries

### **VGs Markets ⚠**

- Batteries (AAA, AA, C, D, 9 volt, button cell) – take to the service desk
- Plastic shopping bags

### **WalMart**

- Plastic shopping bags

#### On line Trade-In Program

Offers recipient egift card for [walmart.com](http://walmart.com) for eligible consumer electronics.

- 20 categories (see [walmart.gazelle.com](http://walmart.gazelle.com))

#### Samsung Recycling Direct Partnership

Fixed sites where consumers can take Samsung products for free and small fee for other brands (see below for details)

[samsung.com/us/aboutsamsung/citizenship/us\\_activities\\_environment\\_samsungrecyclingdirect.html](http://samsung.com/us/aboutsamsung/citizenship/us_activities_environment_samsungrecyclingdirect.html)

## **BURTON**

### **Ace Asphalt and Paving**

Monday - Friday 6:00am – 4:00pm

4190 Jimbo Drive ▪ 742-2420

- Broken asphalt

### **Humane Society of Genesee County**

Monday - Friday 10-6 & Saturday 10-4

3325 S. Dort ▪ 744-0511

- Newspapers (cage use - remove glossy inserts)

## **CLIO**

### **Borden's Pharmacy ⚠**

415 W. Vienna Road ▪ 656-4550

- Prescription drugs/medication as listed on page 5

## **DAVISON**

### **Recycling Drop Off Center – 24 hour service**

400 S. Dayton Street ▪ 653-2191

- Newspapers

## **FLINT (includes Flint Township)**

### **Allied Battery ⚠**

Monday-Friday 8:30 – 5:00

3717 Lee Street ▪ 744-1223

- Lead acid batteries (auto, marine, tractor)

### **Al's Radiator & Auto Service**

Monday-Friday 8:00 – 5:00

5434 S. Dort Highway ▪ 694-4131

- Antifreeze (\$1 per gallon)
- Motor Oil (\$1 per gallon)

### **Averill Recycling**

Monday-Friday 8:00 - 3:30

220 Averill Avenue ▪ 767-3450

- Cardboard (no cereal/cracker-type boxes)
- #1 and #2 plastic bottles/jugs
- Office paper, shredded paper
- Junk mail
- Paper grocery bags
- Newspaper and inserts

### **Best Buy ⚠**

G3660 Miller Road ▪ 230-6808

- Cell phones, pagers, PDAs/smart phones
- Rechargeable batteries
- Best Buy gift cards
- Ink jet cartridges
- CDs, DVDs

Max of any 7 items below per household per day.

Most electronics, including:

- Tube TVs and monitors up to 32"
- Flat panel TVs and monitors up to 60"
- Peripherals, cables
- DVD/MP3 players
- Desk/laptop computers
- Small electrics, fans & vacuums

### Chuck's Recycling

Monday - Friday 8:00 – 4:00

2069 E. Carpenter Street ▪ 787-0000

- Buys radiators, catalytic converters, starters and transmissions
- Buys copper, aluminum, brass (no iron)

### Crossover

Monday - Friday 9:00 – 3:00

414 W. Court Street ▪ 234-2479

- Household items, clothing, linens  
(items available free through agency referral)

### Diplomat Pharmacy

G3320 Beecher Road ▪ 732-8720

- Prescription drugs/medication as listed on page 5

### Genesee Free Clinic

2437 Welch Blvd. ▪ 235-4211

- Prescription drugs/medication as listed on page 5

### Genesee Recycling Industry

Monday - Friday 7:30 - 3:30

G-5107 N. Dort Highway ▪ 785-9401

- Buys scrap metal including copper, aluminum brass and iron
- Buys household metals – made of mostly metal (examples on page 7)

### Genesee Waste

Monday - Friday 8:00-5:00 & Saturday 8-3

5125 N. Dort Highway ▪ 785-5700

- Construction waste (lumber/shingles/concrete)
- Accepts non-hazardous items (fee) unable to be put in municipal trash, but does recycle.

### GLR Recycling Solutions

Monday - Friday 8:00-5:00 & Saturday 8-11

2051 Bristol Road ▪ 238-2836

Labels on bins aren't inclusive. Sort as noted:

#### Paper Bin

- Paper, junk mail, books (paper/hard)

#### Newspaper Bin

- Newspaper, magazines, phonebooks, paper grocery bags, catalogs

#### Cardboard Bin (waxed boxes okay)

- Cardboard (has ridges)
- Paperboard (no ridges - cereal, pasta, etc.)

#### Plastic Bottle Bin

- Plastics #1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 (**NO** bags or styrofoam)
  - Shrink wrap (clear plastic only)
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- Metal cans and aluminum trays
  - Buys scrap/household metals (examples on page 7)
  - Lead acid batteries (auto, marine, tractor)

### Habitat For Humanity ReStore

Tuesday - Saturday 9:00 – 5:00

101 Burton Street ▪ 766-9089

- All household items - furnishings, appliances
- No clothing
- Home remodeling/improvement materials
- Paint - unopened latex only

### Hispanic Technology Center

2101 Lewis Street ▪ 424-3760 (must call first)

Funds used to buy bus passes for GED clients

- Scrap metal including copper, aluminum, brass, iron
- Metal cans and aluminum trays

### Interstate Battery

Monday - Friday 8:00 – 5:00

3814 Gorey Street ▪ 742-6150

- Lead acid batteries (auto, marine, tractor)

### Linden Pharmacy

1260 S. Linden Road ▪ 230-8300

- Prescription drugs/medication as listed on page 5

### Lorbec Metals USA

Monday - Friday 8:00 – 4:00

3415 Western Road ▪ 736-0961

- Buys scrap metal including copper, aluminum brass, iron, stainless steel and auto radiators
- Buys household metals – made of mostly metal (examples on page 7)

### M.A.C. Transport

Monday – Friday 7:00 – 4:00

Saturday mornings in spring and summer

1345 W. Hill ▪ 424-4001


- Cardboard (no waxed)
- Newspaper, paper grocery bags, phonebooks
- Magazines, catalogs
- Office paper (shredded ok)
- Styrofoam (no packing peanuts)
- Plastic bottles/jugs #1 and #2 only
- Metal cans and aluminum trays
- Car batteries

### McKenzie Crushing

Varied hours 6 days a week


3290 Torrey Road ▪ 238-7133


- Bricks and concrete block
- Broken concrete (no metal)
- Asphalt

**Michigan Battery Equipment**   
Monday - Friday 8:00 – 4:00  
2612 Lavelle Road ▪ 238-8670  
▪ Lead acid batteries (auto, marine, tractor)

**Mid-Michigan Recycling**  
Seasonal Hours  
1020 S. Averill (enter off Court St.) ▪ 743-5723  
▪ Untreated wood


**Modern Concrete**  
Seasonal hours call 767-3330  
3275 W. Pasadena  
▪ Bricks and concrete block  
▪ Broken concrete (no metal)  
▪ Asphalt

**Office Depot**   
3445 Lennon Road ▪ 230-7741  
▪ Cell phones ▪ PDAs ▪ Ativa monitors  
▪ Rechargeable batteries  
▪ Ink jet and toner cartridges  
▪ Fee: CRT/LCD monitors, desk/laptop PCs, printers, scanners, fax machines, telephones, digital/video cameras, VCRs, DVD/MP3 players, small TVs, keyboards, cords, cables

**Office Max**   
G3650 Miller Road ▪ 720-9251  
▪ HP, Dell, Lexmark printer/toner cartridges  
(Max Perks customers receive store credit)

**St. Vincent De Paul**  
1912 N. Franklin ▪ 234-5381  
▪ All household items - furnishings, appliances, electronics (including cell phones/computers), clothing (for resale or salvage)

**Valley Pharmacy**    
5142 Miller Road ▪ 230-8252  
▪ Prescription drugs/medication as listed on page 5

**YWCA**   
Monday – Friday 8:30am – 5:00pm  
310 E. Third Street ▪ 238-7621  
▪ Cell phones (benefits domestic violence victims)

### FLUSHING

**Band Boosters ▪ 24 hour service**  
Shed on Seymour, N. of Main Street  
▪ Newspapers

**Gill-Roy's Hardware**  
Benefits Flushing HS Band  
6443 W. Pierson Road (store) ▪ 659-2275  
6429 W. Pierson (HQ) ▪ 659-2291  
▪ Cell phones/accessories ▪ MP3 players  
▪ Laptop computers ▪ Gaming systems  
▪ Toner/printer cartridges (name brand only)

### LINDEN

**Lions Club ▪ 24 hour service**  
Sloan's Sales & Service parking lot located at 650 N. Bridge St.  
▪ Newspapers

### MT. MORRIS

**Union Pharmacy**    
11830 N. Saginaw Street ▪ 688-3090  
▪ Prescription drugs/medication as listed on page 5



### WHAT IS HAZARDOUS & ELECTRONIC WASTE?

Hazardous waste is comprised of household and electronic products containing dangerous chemicals and heavy metals that, if tossed into your trash, will leach from the landfill causing air and water pollution. Waste is collected in May and October. Check dates and locations by calling 766-6560 (Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission) or 767-9696 (Keep Genesee County Beautiful).

Any item whose label notes the product as toxic, corrosive, flammable or reactive are considered hazardous. Many products in your home, on your shelves in the kitchen, bathroom, basement and garage require special disposal procedures including:

Acids  
Adhesives  
Aerosols  
Alcohols  
Ant/Roach Powder  
Antifreeze

Drain Cleaners  
Dry Gas  
Dyes  
Electronic Equipment •  
Engine Cleaners  
Fertilizer

Insect Repellants  
Kerosene  
Lacquers  
Lighter Fluid  
Lubricants  
Medication

Rat/Rodent Poison  
Rubber Cement  
Rug/Upholstery Cleaners  
Rust Removers  
Scouring Powders  
Smoke Detectors

Artists' Paints/Mediums	Fiberglass Resins	Metal Polishes	Solvents
Automotive Paint	Flea Products	Model Paint	Spot/Stain Removers
Batteries ♦	Floor Care Products	Motor Oil/Additives	Spray Dust Cleaners
Brake Fluid	Fluorescent Light Bulbs (CFLs and tubes)	Moth Balls/Flakes	Thermometers (silver)
Bug Spray/Stick/Cream	Fly Strips	Nail Polish/Remover	Toilet Bowl Cleaners
Car Wax with Solvents	Fuel Oil	Naphtha	Transmission Fluid/Additives
CO2 Detectors	Fungicides	Oil Filters	Tub/Tile Cleaners
Chemistry Sets	Furniture Polish	Oven Cleaners	Turpentine
Chlorine Bleach	Garden Dusts/Sprays	Paint (oil-based)	Varnish
Cleaning Fluids	Gasoline/Additives	Paint Removers	Waxes
Corrosives	Hair Removers	Paint Thinners	Weed Killer
Creosote	Herbicides	Pesticides	Wood Preservatives
Cutting Oil	Hobby Chemicals	Photo Chemicals	Wood Stain
Degreasers	Inks	Polyurethane Coatings	
Diesel Fuel/Additives	Insecticides	Pool Chemicals	
Disinfectants		Propane Cylinders	

- ♦ Includes those from cameras, calculators, hearing aids, watches, charging units (enclosed batteries), automotive, marine, tractor, flashlight, etc.
- Includes televisions (no consoles accepted), cell phones, computers, fax/copy machines, VCRs, DVDs, video cameras

Latex paint: Not hazardous waste, it can be discarded in your trash can after solidifying or better yet, donate unused paint to an organization, art group or school that can use it.



### Yellow Jug Old Drugs Program



The program was started by Great Lakes Clean Water in spring of 2009. Since that time, they have collected over 40,000 pounds of unwanted and unused medications. The following items are accepted at the noted sites who participate in the Yellow Jug Old Drugs program:

- Prescription drugs
- Non-controlled drugs/substances
- Over-the-counter drugs
- Medicated cough drops
- Medicated ointments and lotions
- Cold and flu medications
- Vitamins and supplements
- Pet medications
- Medication samples
- Insulin

### ON-LINE RESOURCES TO REDISTRIBUTE ITEMS

Local lists for selling, buying or seeking merchandise:

[www.craigslist.org](http://www.craigslist.org) (select by state and area)

Local lists available for giving away or obtaining free items:

[www.freecycle.org](http://www.freecycle.org)

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/FlintareaFreeShare/>

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/GCFN/>

### OTHER PLACES TO REDISTRIBUTE OR RECYCLE

**Building Materials:** Items such as treated lumber and shingles are not accepted in municipal trash.

The following locations accept such items for disposal or recycling which includes a fee.

Genesee Waste: 5125 N. Dort ▪ 785-5700

Crutchfield Resource Recycling: 6301 N. Dort ▪ 618-5755

**Carpet Padding:** Accepted at GLR Recycling Solutions (Roseville site only).

**Computers:** This website lists manufacturers that have computer take back programs. If in working condition, donating it will allow others to use it. More info at [www.computertakeback.com](http://www.computertakeback.com)

**CDs/DVDs/VHS Tapes/Floppy Disks/Casette Tapes/Blu-Ray Disks:** Individuals, organizations and companies can recycle pre-shredded or whole discs, cases and paper inserts. Mailing info at [www.cdrecyclingcenter.com](http://www.cdrecyclingcenter.com)

**CDs/DVDs/VHS Tapes/Floppy Disks/Plastic Storage cases:** Accepted by Alternative Community Training which provides services to individuals with disabilities. Mailing info at [www.actrecycling.org](http://www.actrecycling.org)

**Crayons:** Send unwanted/broken crayons where they will be made into new crayons by people with disabilities. Send only U.S. made crayon as others will be discarded due to possible lead/plastic content. Mailing info and purchase recycled crayons at [www.crazycrayons.com](http://www.crazycrayons.com)

**Disks (CD, DVD, Blu-Ray, Floppy, Plastic Storage Cases):** Individuals, organizations and companies can recycle pre-shredded or whole discs, cases and paper inserts. Mailing info at [www.cdrecyclingcenter.com](http://www.cdrecyclingcenter.com)

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**Eyeglasses:** Donate prescription, bifocal or non-prescription sunglasses to LensCrafters, Goodwill, Sears Optical, Target Optical, Pearle Vision or [www.neweyesforthe needy.org](http://www.neweyesforthe needy.org)

**Gift Cards:** Mail expired gift cards (no rubber bands, clips or paper) to Earthworks c/o Halprin Ind. at 25840 Miles Road – Bedford, OH 44146. Encourage retailers to accept expired cards & purchase Earthworks Systems cards made from 100% recycled plastic. Info at [www.earthworkssystem.com](http://www.earthworkssystem.com)

**Golf Balls:** Accepted at G.S. Bowman's in Clarkston or Carl's Golfland in Brookfield. Receive \$1 credit for every Dixon brand golf ball recycled and \$.50 for other brands. Info at [www.dixongolf.com](http://www.dixongolf.com)

**Greeting Cards:** send greeting cards to St. Jude's Ranch, a non-profit troubled youth, where the children turn them into new cards which you can also purchase. Info at [www.stjudesranch.org](http://www.stjudesranch.org)

**Hearing Aids:** Donate for reuse to Lions, Rotary Club or the Hear Now program at [www.starkeyhearingfoundation.org](http://www.starkeyhearingfoundation.org)

**Shoes (athletic):** All Nike and Converse stores accept up to 10 pair of old athletic shoes (any brand, no cleats/metal) for their Reuse-A-Shoe program where shoes are processed and recycled into material for courts, athletic fields and playgrounds. Donate your shoes in store or by mail or organize a collection. Info at [www.nikereuseashoe.com](http://www.nikereuseashoe.com)

**Shoes (all):** Donate your shoes or organize a collection where they will be distributed. Shoes support micro-business initiatives in developing nations and crisis relief. Send by mail or drop off sites in Frankenmuth, Owosso, Troy, Northville and Redford. Info at [www.soles4souls.org](http://www.soles4souls.org)

**Tabs from Aluminum Cans:** Supports work of Ronald McDonald houses. Info at [rmhc.org](http://rmhc.org) and select How You Can Help link. Drop off at RM Houses in Ann Arbor, Detroit, Lansing and Grand Rapids.

**Tapes (VHS, Cassette, Plastic Storage Cases):** Individuals, organizations and companies can participate. Mailing info at [www.cdrecyclingcenter.com](http://www.cdrecyclingcenter.com)

**Tennis Balls:** Rebounders prepays shipping for 200 or more balls (partner with an athletic club and schools). Less than 200 are accepted and sender pays shipping. Info at [www.rebounders.com](http://www.rebounders.com)

**Styrofoam Cups/Trays:** Dart Container has drop-off facilities throughout the state with one in Flint as listed above. They also have a school lunch tray recycling program. Visit [www.dartcontainer.com](http://www.dartcontainer.com)

**Items made primarily of metal and not plastic, such as those listed below, can be recycled. Great Lakes Recycling Solutions, Genesee Recycling and Lorbec Metals, all located in Flint (addresses on page 3), accept the following items:**

**Household Goods:** Items in working order should be sold or donated so they can be reused. Goods in non-working order can be recycled.

• **Major and small household appliances**

Washer, dryer, stove, refrigerator, dishwasher, furnace, water heater. Smaller items made primarily of *metal* and not plastic may include fans, toasters, coffee pots, clothes irons, curling irons, hairdryers, floor/table lamps, light fixtures, ceiling fans and vacuums cleaners.

• **Garage items**

Some examples would include lawn mowers, rakes, saws, screens, ladders and car parts (tires must be disposed of at Household Hazardous Waste Collection).

• **Outdoor items**

Items such as lawn furniture, aluminum gutters or siding, hose reels, firewood racks, grills, fencing, wind chimes and bug zappers.

• **Basement items**

Some examples would include frames, boxes, filing cabinets, shelving, vents, hand tools, power tools, tape measures, miscellaneous metal parts and locks.

• **Other home items**

Some examples would include tea kettles, blinds, baking sheets and pans, cooking pots/pans/lids, fireplace inserts and screens, fireplace tools, ironing boards, folding tables and chairs and computer tower CPU units (not monitors).