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# TRASH AND TREASURES

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## PLEASE READ CAREFULLY!



Our spring Trash and Treasures is scheduled for the weekend of **Saturday, April 17 and Sunday, April 18**. As you consider taking advantage of the Town's Trash and Treasures service, we encourage you to recycle or donate recyclable or reusable items. The Town offers this bulk trash pickup so that residents can dispose of items that are no longer usable, such as appliances (doors must be removed for safety), furniture, rolled rugs, mattresses, games and bikes, but if the items are usable we encourage you to review the list of Alternatives to Trash and Treasures. We have tried to give you a variety of options. If you have an item that you are not sure how to dispose of it, consult Shades of Green on the Town website "quicklinks" or give the Town staff a call at 301-654-7144.

## GUIDELINES

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO BAG, BOX OR CONTAIN ALL OF YOUR DISCARDS.**

**PLEASE DO NOT PUT ITEMS ON THE CURB BEFORE FRIDAY AFTERNOON, APRIL 16.**

**THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WILL NOT BE PICKED UP:**

NO construction debris

NO parts of junked automobiles (engines, transmissions), boats or trailers

NO loose glass of any kind

NO firewood or fencing of any kind

NO paint cans

NO flammable or hazardous liquids or solids

NO recyclable items, such as newspapers, mixed paper or cardboard, landscape pots, old books and magazines, large plastic bins for bird/pet food– please recycle!

NO shrubbery cuttings, yard clippings, leaves or grass – recycle with yard trash!

*If you have questions about how to discard any of these items, please give the Town staff a call at 301-654-7144. We will be happy to help you arrange a special pick-up for items, which are not included in Trash and Treasures. There will be a charge for a special pickup.*

**PICK UP SCHEDULE:** At 7 a.m., **Monday, April 19**, a crew will begin clearing feeder streets to Chevy Chase Elementary School. During non-rush hours, the peripheral streets will be cleared. After these priority streets are cleared, the truck will proceed according to a schedule arranged with the Town Manager. An account of daily progress will be kept in the Town Office. Once a street has been cleared, the contractor will *not* return to that street. Residents who discard items after the street has been cleared will have to arrange for a special pick-up – for a fee.

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## Hazardous Waste Disposal

The Household Hazardous Waste receiving area at the Shady Grove Solid Waste Transfer Station is located in the recycling drop-off section of the Public Unloading Area, 16101 Frederick Rd, Derwood, MD 20855. Please use the Car Entrance to the facility. The drop-off is open daily 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (Monday - Sunday) Household Hazardous Waste can only be received during these hours -- please do not drop off this material at other times. All batteries are accepted (alkaline batteries may be put in regular trash), fertilizers with herbicides, fluorescent light tubes and bulbs, including CFLs, herbicides, Insecticides, mercury containing items, oil-based paints, paint thinners, pesticides, used motor oil and most other oils. For a complete list of items accepted or more information, visit the website, [www.montgomerycountymd.gov/recycling](http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/recycling). Montgomery County has planned two community collection sites for the spring. On **Saturday, May 22, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.**, the County will host a hazardous waste collection event at Westland Middle School, and on **Saturday, June 12, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.** at the Silver Spring International Middle School. Details are on the County website.

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## Bike Recycling



Bikes for the World (BfW) is project sponsored by the Washington Area Bicyclist Association whose mission is to collect valuable but unwanted bicycles and related material--parts, tools, and accessories--in the United States and deliver them at low cost to community development programs assisting the poor in developing countries. If you have a bike you would like to donate, please bring it to Bike Day, **May 2, 2 p.m. – 4 p.m.** at Chevy Chase Elementary School or take it to City Bikes, 8401 Connecticut Avenue, 301-652-1777. A \$10/bike donation is suggested to defray shipping to overseas charity partners. Receipt provided for all material and cash donations. For more information, please visit the BfW website, [www.bikesfortheworld.org](http://www.bikesfortheworld.org).

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# ALTERNATIVES TO TRASH AND TREASURES

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## RECYCLE TVs and Electronic Equipment



The Town has contracted with CDM eCycling to have a truck in the Lawton Center Parking Lot on **Saturday, April 17 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.** for the collection of TVs and the following electronic equipment: monitors, printers, copiers, stereos, VCRs & DVD players, camcorders, CD players, fax machines, calculators, scanners, electronic toys and microwaves. If you have a question about items not listed, please call the Town office at 301-654-7144. CDM eCycling was recommended by the Montgomery County Department of Environmental Protection.

## DONATE Computer Equipment

Blair High School's all-volunteer program BlairConnect refurbishes higher-end usable computers and installs a number of freeware programs. **The donations must meet the specifications listed below to be accepted.** Their goal is to make sure that every student has a computer in his or her home, with access to the Internet. The Town will be collecting donations for BlairConnect on **Saturday, April 17 from 12 p.m. – 2 p.m.** in the Lawton Center Parking Lot. BlairConnect accepts donations with the following specifications and will provide a tax receipt.

**Computers, at least 1 GHz**

Intel Pentium 4, Intel Celeron, AMD Athlon and Other processors at least 1 GHz

**Working monitors**

CRTs (normal monitors): at least 15 inches in size, less than 6 years old, LCDs (flat panel monitors): any size

**Peripherals**

Working mice (optical or ball, USB or PS/2), Working keyboards (US layout, PS/2 or USB), Power or USB cables

Working speakers with all required parts (power supply, cables, etc.), No printers

All data from the hard drive will be removed. Upon request the entire drive can be overwritten 4 times, which is the government standard.

## Donate Childrens' Books



Town resident Melissa Fox, 4123 Aspen Street, and seven other volunteers run **Capital BookShare**, a small non-profit organization that organizes book drives to collect books for kindergarten through 6<sup>th</sup> grade children in the metro area. Teachers from the seven under-resourced schools in the District are invited to events to choose as many books as they want to take back to their classrooms. If you have children's books (only new books and books in good condition can be accepted) to donate (NO textbooks), you can drop them at the Town office during the month of April and/or in the Lawton Center parking lot on **Saturday, April 17 from 12 p.m. – 2 p.m.** If you would like more information, visit the website [www.capitalbookshare.org](http://www.capitalbookshare.org).

## Interfaith Works

Recycle your gently used clothing and home goods and preserve our planet while helping your Montgomery County neighbors in need. The Interfaith Clothing Centers provide clothing/home goods free of charge to low-income County residents. Your donation is tax deductible. Interfaith Works will have a truck in the Lawton Center parking lot on **Saturday, April 17, 12 p.m. – 2 p.m.**

## A Wider Circle

We are happy to continue our six-year partnership with A Wider Circle to collect usable items for families in need. The mission of



A Wider Circle is to work to reverse the cycles of poverty and poor health by providing programs and services free of charge to needy families in the Washington, DC, area. A Wider Circle will have a truck in the Lawton Center parking lot on **Saturday, April 17, 12 p.m. – 2 p.m.** If you have household items in good condition that you would like to donate, please bring them to the drop-off. The items may include dish sets, furniture, lamps, mattresses, bedding, household goods, dressers, tables and chairs. Computers are not accepted. If you have larger items of furniture in good condition such as mattresses, box springs, chests and tables that you would like to donate, you can call A Wider Circle at 301-608-3504 to ask if the items are needed. (Mattresses and box springs are desperately needed!) In some cases, A

Wider Circle will arrange to pick up the items.

## Shred-It – Shred Your Documents

Back by popular demand! The Town has contracted with SHRED-IT to have a truck in the Lawton Center parking lot on **Saturday, April 17, from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.** to shred paper for residents. Staples and paper clips are okay. Shred-It is bonded and insured. If you have additional questions, please call the Town office at 301-654-7144.

## Donate Building Supplies

The following organizations accept donations of reusable or new building materials. Please visit their websites or give them a call. For large items, both organizations will arrange special pickups.

Community Forklift <http://communityforklift.com>

**301-947-3304**

Habitat for Humanity <http://www.habitat-mc.org>

**240-876-5542**