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monroe county indiana waste management district

use it less, use it again, use it forever

important phone numbers



Emergency (Fire, Police, Ambulance).....	911
Information.....	411
Animal Care & Control.....	812.349.3492
Bloomington Transit.....	812.336.7433
IU Campus Bus Service.....	812.855.8384
Rural Transit.....	812.876.1079
Community & Family Resources.....	812.349.3430
Community Events Hotline.....	812.349.3754
Frank Southern Ice Arena Hotline.....	812.349.3741
Sports Hotline.....	812.349.3610
Sanitation Department.....	812.349.3443
City of Bloomington Utilities.....	812.349.3930
Monroe County Commissioners.....	812.349.2550
Monroe County BMW.....	888.692.6841
Monroe County Sheriff.....	812.349.2534
Monroe County Building Department.....	812.349.2580
Monroe County Circuit Court.....	812.349.2615
Town of Ellettsville.....	812.876.3860
Ellettsville Water & Waste.....	812.876.2297
The District.....	812.349.2020

our mission

The District serves south central Indiana as the leader in green business initiatives, education, and waste & recycling management.

In 1990, Solid Waste Management Districts were formed by HB 1240 as a separate local governmental entity to manage solid waste in Indiana. The mission of the Monroe County Solid Waste Management District (District) is to secure a healthier environment in south-central Indiana, by eliminating waste going to final disposal through reduction of source materials, reuse of reusable materials, and recovery of recyclable materials and by offering educational resources and programs; and by promoting sustainable materials practices throughout our communities. The District achieves this mission by working with all Monroe County residents, businesses, and community organizations.

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go green, save green



As our household budgets get stretched tighter and tighter, we're all looking for ways to cut costs.

What are you paying for waste removal?

The average Monroe County family spends more than **\$200** per year on waste removal. Up to 70% of your trash can be recycled, saving your family up to **\$150**, each year, every year.

Recycling Cost = \$0.00

Orange Bag Cost (average) = \$2.50

TOTAL MONTHLY COST = \$2.50

Waste reduction isn't just a good idea for the environment—it's a great idea for your family's budget.



**actually, it does grow on trees.
and in rivers, and in the air.**

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plastic



Look on the bottom of most plastic containers and you'll find a symbol like these. The District accepts plastic for recycling with these symbols. These include milk containers, soda bottles, laundry bottles, plastic shopping bags, and 1-7 Styrofoam. CDs, DVDs, audio cassettes and cases, 8-track tapes, and VHS tapes are accepted for recycling at the South Walnut Recycling Center only.



paper

The District accepts white paper, mixed paper, wrapping paper, junk mail, magazines, catalogs, paper sacks, newspaper, phone books and cardboard/paperboard. Hardcover and softcover books are accepted for recycling at the South Walnut Recycling Center only.

glass

The District accepts clear, blue, brown, and green glass bottles and jars.

metal

The District accepts aluminum and steel cans, as well as steel, iron & aluminum scrap. We accept appliances such as dishwashers, dryers, stoves and microwaves. Please **DO NOT** include Freon appliances—these items can be disposed of only at our Hazardous Materials Facility. Scrap metal must be fully drained of fluids and not attached to other materials (i.e. auto parts, gutters, signs, bike frames).



orange bag program

Purchase a roll of Big or Little Orange Bags and bring your non-recyclable trash to any **RURAL** Recycling Center. Bags are inexpensive and are available at most Monroe County grocery and hardware stores.

For a complete list of orange bag retailers, visit gogreendistrict.com/orangebagg.html



hazardous materials disposal

The District's Hazardous Materials Facility is located at our
South Walnut Recycling Center
 3400 S. Walnut Street in Bloomington.
812.349.2848



The Hazardous Materials Facility provides safe disposal of the following types of hazardous waste:

Cleaning Supplies

- Bathroom cleaner
- Bleach
- Ammonia

Automotive Products

- Empty containers may be recycled
- Motor oil

Old Medications

- Confidential medication disposal

Pesticides & Fertilizers

Propane Tanks

- Empty or full

Batteries

- Household batteries
- Rechargeable batteries

Freon Appliances (\$20 fee)

- Air conditioners
- Refrigerators

Acids and Bases

- Drain opening agents
- Old cleaning chemicals
- Toilet cleaners
- CLR, Lime Away, etc.

- Oxidizers
- Pool chemicals
- Hydrogen peroxide

Flammable Liquids

- Gasoline
- Mineral spirits
- Paint thinner
- Fuel additives
- Brake fluid
- Kerosene
- Lighter fluid

Paint Exchange

- Reusable latex paint - FREE
- Non-reusable - fees apply

Garden

- Fungicide, herbicide
- Rodent poisons
- Weed killers
- Pesticides

NOT ACCEPTED:

- Radioactive substances
- Asbestos
- Explosive substances, including ammunition
- Tires

Hazardous materials accepted at all recycling centers:
Electronics • Household & Car Batteries
Used Motor Oil, Antifreeze, Oil Filters

bulky items

When that old sofa has seen better days, let the District take it off your hands. We offer **FREE** bulky item disposal on a rotating basis at our **RURAL** Recycling Centers.



WEEKLY BULKY ITEM DISPOSAL
 Week 1 - Ellettsville Recycling Center
 Week 2 - Westside Recycling Center
 Week 3 - Southside Recycling Center
 Week 4 - Northeast Recycling Center

Look at the map (next page) to find location details.



electronics recycling

Technology changes almost every day, leaving you with obsolete electronics. Most electronics contain hazardous components and require proper disposal. The District offers **FREE** electronics recycling every week at all Recycling Centers.

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ellettsville
recycling
center

gogreendistrict.com/ellettsville

6200 N. Matthews Drive
Ellettsville, IN 47429

HOURS

Monday, Tuesday,
Wednesday, Friday,
Saturday
7:00am - 6:00pm

westside
recycling
center

gogreendistrict.com/westside

341 N. Oard Road
Bloomington, IN 47404

HOURS

Monday, Tuesday,
Wednesday, Friday,
Saturday
7:00am - 6:00pm

southside
recycling
center

gogreendistrict.com/southside

400 W. Dillman Road
Bloomington, IN 47403

HOURS

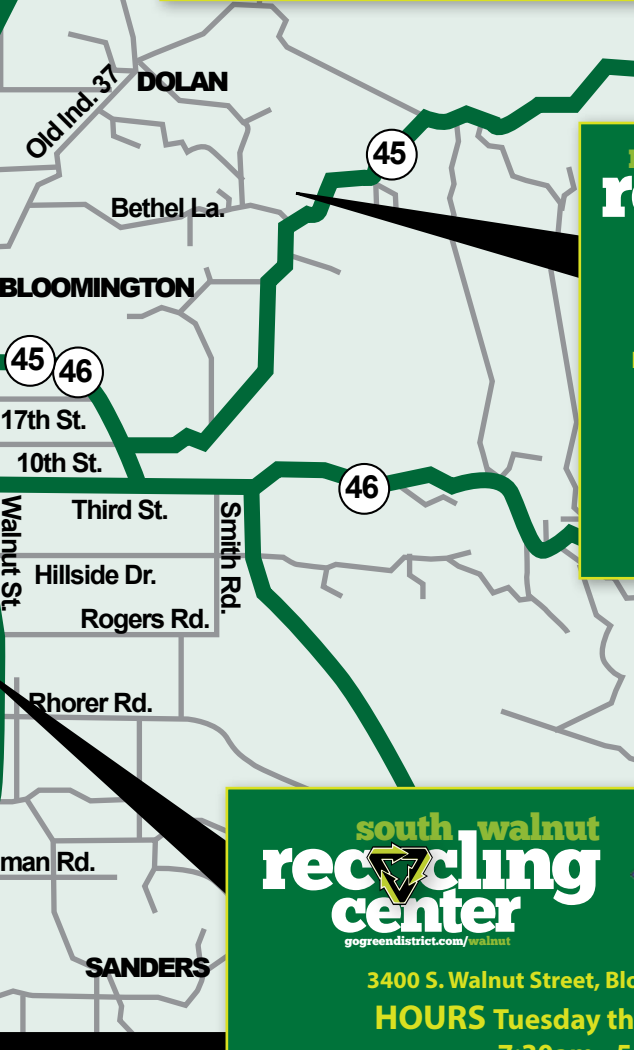
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Saturday
7:00am - 6:00pm



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recycling centers

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northeast recycling center

gogreendistrict.com/northeast

6015 East State Road 45
off East Bethel Lane
New Unionville, IN 47408

HOURS

Monday, Tuesday,
Wednesday, Friday,
Saturday
7:00am - 6:00pm

south walnut recycling center

gogreendistrict.com/walnut



HAZARDOUS
MATERIALS
FACILITY

3400 S. Walnut Street, Bloomington IN 47401

HOURS Tuesday through Saturday
7:30am - 5:30pm

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environmental education

The District's **FREE** environmental education educates, motivates, and inspires Indiana residents to conserve natural resources and meet the needs of our society while maintaining a healthy environment now and in the future. Activities integrate key environmental concepts that meet state standards. Sessions not only promote science but literacy, health and wellness, economics, social studies, family & consumer science, and more. Sessions stimulate students and community to think critically about their own actions and assess actions of others, fosters understanding about the connections in the use of natural resources and waste disposal, and teaches pollution prevention and behaviors that lead to healthy communities.

Book early for the academic year.



CRITICAL THINKING • GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE • INFORMED ACTION

LEARN MORE ONLINE - gogreendistrict.com/education.html



Stay up-to-date with public meetings and other District events by visiting our interactive online calendar.

let your voice be heard

The District has two monthly opportunities for the public to get involved in helping shape policy and make decisions. The

Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) and **The District Board of Directors** meet monthly.

Check the events calendar on our website for dates, times and locations.


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green business network

go green where you work



The District can help you establish a sound environmental strategy at work and save your business a lot of green. Implementing a business waste reduction program is easy. We're here to help. Dozens of Monroe County business are already part of the **Green Business Network**. Together, we've reduced tons of waste and saved companies thousands of dollars every year.

When you're looking for a quick and easy way to increase your bottom line, going green can help your business keep more green.

Call us at 812.349.2019 or learn more online

gogreendistrict.com/greenbiz.wastereduction.html



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responsibility

when you use less, you
save more.

Explore our website or call us at 349.2020 to learn the facts.

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adopt-a-road program

The District's **Adopt-A-Road** program allows businesses, organizations and groups to volunteer to clean up trash and debris from Monroe County roads.

Each group is recognized for their efforts with a sign proclaiming the road is adopted. Do something good for your community and give your group a boost in recognition—

Adopt a Monroe County road today! For details or to apply, call **812.349.2953**. Visit us on the web for full details, including an interactive map of available roads, a frequently asked questions page, and more.

gogreendistrict.com/adoptaroad.html



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go green, stay green

Reducing, reusing and recycling is only the beginning.
Here are some tips on how to lead a green life.

air

Every day, the air we breathe is filled with toxins that are entirely preventable. Health issues such as asthma, cancer and others are directly linked to poor air quality. Here are a few simple tips on how to keep your air clean:

- 1. Open burning.** Don't burn your trash or leaves. The poison in the air is toxic.
- 2. Plan your trips.** Instead of going out multiple times, coordinate all your driving into a single trip. You'll save money on gas and you'll send less exhaust into the air.

water

Fresh water is a precious commodity. Without it, we couldn't survive. Conserving water is simple. Here's how:

- 1. Turn off the tap.** If you're brushing your teeth or doing the dishes, turn the water off while you're not using it to rinse.
- 2. Don't throw trash on the roadways.** Pollutants from roadside refuse can get into the groundwater supply.

land

Plastic takes thousands of years to break down. Toxins released into the ground poisons groundwater and causes health issues for humans and animals.

- 1. Don't throw trash out of your car.** Most waste can be recycled.
- 2. Don't throw out hazardous waste.** Instead, take it to the South Walnut Recycling Center for FREE, safe disposal!



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Keep up-to-date with our events calendar
Find interactive maps to our recycling centers
Find out what's recyclable (you'll be surprised)
Learn how to properly dispose of hazardous materials
Adopt a road for cleanup
Make your business a green business
and much more!

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