



Environmental Resources List



Eagle Valley Drop-Off Recycling Center

600 W. Silverbell Rd., (248) 391-0330; Hours: M-F, 7:00 am – 4:00 pm; Sat, 8:00-11:30 am (call first if raining). Orion residents may drop off household recyclables free of charge. Residential garbage haulers must take curbside recyclables at no additional cost, but not all accept foam or plastic bags. Most haulers allow use of your own bins or clear bags. All haulers recommend placing recyclables on the opposite side of your driveway away from landfill garbage, and cardboard be flat and bundled together. All curbside recyclables may be co-mingled but please try to keep paper and cardboard dry. Plastics #3 and #6, and polystyrene not accepted.

Free Disposal Days. Waste Management sponsors Free Disposal Days each year at Eagle Valley for Orion residents (must show ID). These are usually held on Saturday morning after Memorial and Labor Day. Items prohibited from landfill disposal and NOT ACCEPTED at Free Disposal Day are tires, liquids, yard waste, appliances that ever contained Freon, and household hazardous waste.

Clean Sweep Program

2525 Joslyn Rd., (248) 391-0304; Hours: M-F, 8:30 am – 4:30 pm. Orion Township will reimburse residents one time per year, up to \$25, of the cost to dispose of trash or debris at either Eagle Valley Landfill or Environmental Wood Solutions. Proof of Orion Township residency and a dated receipt, along with your name and address, must be submitted to the Clerk's Office.

Paper Recycling

The green and yellow bins located throughout the community are fundraiser opportunities for these paper items only: newspapers, magazines, catalogs, junk mail, office and school papers. Shredded paper also accept, but must be in tied light-weight plastic bags only). No phonebooks, cardboard or any other trash or recyclables please.

Appliance Recycling

DTE Energy customers may be eligible for a rebate program that includes haul-away of working refrigerators and deep freezers. Dehumidifiers and window AC units are eligible only when added to a large item pick-up. To learn more, call 1-866-796-0512. More information on reverse for proper and free disposal of Freon items such as AC units, dehumidifiers, and most refrigerators.

Seasonal Christmas Tree Recycling

Orion Oaks County Park (Clarkston Road Entrance). Drop off fresh cut trees through late January of each new year. Trees are processed into compost and wood chips at no cost to you. Free wood chips are then available to the public on select dates. Plastic, tinsel and wire must be removed. Trees from commercial lots are not accepted.

Helpful Websites

- General Environmental Information in Michigan: www.michigan.gov/deq
- Information about toxins in specific products without advertising bias: www.ewg.org
- Banish Junk Mail! Visit www.dmaconsumers.org (or send a card with your name, address & signature to Mail Preference Service, DMA, Box 643, Carmel NY 10512)

Native Landscapes & Invasive Species Problems

The North Oakland Headwaters Land Conservancy, Six Rivers Land Conservancy, North Oakland Wild Ones, and the Oakland Phragmites & Invasive Species Task Force may offer guidelines and/or vendor contact options. A DEQ permit is required for herbicide applications in standing water. Proper timing of cutting and herbicide applications highly improves effectiveness and lowers the impact on animal habitats. Burning must be administered by professionals.

North Oakland Hazardous Waste Disposal Events (NO HAZ)

Orion Township participates in the Consortium to provide proper redirection of hazardous waste. Please note that many local organizations and businesses now accept a variety of hazardous waste and other items to avoid sending them to landfills and to save you from waiting for the next event. For more information, visit www.nohaz.com or call (248) 858-5656.

Orion Township Environmental Resources Committee

A group of citizens dedicated to the protection of our community, as they study and make recommendations to Orion Township on local environmental issues. The information here and elsewhere is brought to you by these volunteers. Meetings are open to the public and are usually the first Monday of the most months at 10:00 am at the Orion Center, 1335 Joslyn Rd.

Local Suggestions	Special Recyclables & Some Hazardous Waste
Oakland County Sheriff Substation 2525 Joslyn Rd., Lake Orion (248) 393-0090; M-F, 8:30 am – 4:00 pm	Operation Medicine Cabinet protects people, wildlife & the watershed. Place items in Ziplock baggies and drop off into locked metal cabinet. NEEDLES & INHALERS are NOT accepted. Bikes also accepted for donation, but you must call first. They are refurbished for area youth.
Patterson & L&S Pharmacies www.greatlakescleanwater.org (989) 736-8179	Yellow Jug Old Drugs – most prescription medicines are accepted for dropping into a jug with dissolving gel, which is incinerated. This helps protect people, wildlife & the watershed.
Binson's Home Health Care 6475 Rochester Rd., Troy 48085 (248) 828-8400	Accepts sharps in bio-hazard containers (household quantities) and inhalers in Pharmacy Dept. for proper disposal. Placing sharps in garbage or recycling poses hazards to workers.
Tire Warehouse 250 N. Park Blvd. (M-24), Lake Orion (248) 693-1234	Standard Tires in limited quantities – call first. You pay them \$2.25 per tire for proper disposal.
Unique Quick Lube 415 S. Broadway, Lake Orion (248) 693-7719; Mon-Sat., 8 am – 6 pm	Motor oil & radiator coolant
O'Reilly's Auto Parts 375 S. Broadway, Lake Orion (248) 693-2793	Motor oil, transmission, brake, and hydraulic fluids. Vehicle batteries & rotors also accepted.
All Metal Recycling (248) 310-6741	Scrap metal such as water heaters, broken ladders, dehumidifiers & appliances
Safe Harbor Recycling of Ortonville safeharborrecycling@yahoo.com (248) 240-4899, call or text, 9 am – 6 pm	Hard-to-Recycle Items: mixed metal, vintage tools, electronics or anything with a plug (fee for tube TVs & monitors), all batteries (laptop to truck). Free pick-up service for appliances or a box of items from cleaning out basement, garage, home or office. Consider upcycling items not eligible for donation due to being broken or having recall potential – www.recalls.gov
Best Buy 300 Brown Rd., Auburn Hills (248) 393-0852	Drop off “spent” CDs, DVDs, gift cards, rechargeable batteries (NOT cell phone or laptop). Also accepts nearly all cords, wiring, small appliances, electronics, monitors up to 32” only, and flat screens up to 60”. NO microwaves. Trade-in program available for game systems & cartridges. Large items are eligible for pick-up and haul-away with a purchase.
Staples 280 Brown Rd., Auburn Hills (248) 393-7099	Toner and ink cartridge recycling – many with rebate options. Also some computers & electronics.
Home Depot 2600 S. Lapeer Rd., Lake Orion (248) 393-9990	Residential CFLs, fluorescent tubes and rechargeable batteries.
Habitat Restore - Oakland 150 Osmun St., Pontiac (248) 338-8392, Tue-Sat 9 am – 5 pm only Deconstruction Services (313) 384-2176	Household appliances in working condition, cabinetry, working fixtures, blinds, construction tools and equipment. Visit website for pick-up information and to view current wish list.
Furniture Bank of Oakland County 333 N. Perry St., Pontiac (248) 332-1300, Mon-Thu, 9 am – 4:30 pm	Beds, mattresses, tables and working appliances for families in need that must be referred via another agency. Call for next pick-up date in your area.
Batteries Plus 3987 Baldwin Rd., Auburn Hills (248) 253-1080	Accepts all rechargeable batteries, small electronic devices and power cords for free. Alkaline batteries are CFLs are fee-based.
Most Packaging Stores	Packing peanuts, bubble wrap, foam sheets, clean Kraft paper, some boxes in excellent condition.
Ferrous Processing & Trading 500 Collier Rd., Pontiac (248) 335-8141, M-F 7a-4p & Sat 7a-1p	Accepts delivery of mostly metal items and most household Freon units (dehumidifiers, window AC units, etc). Doors should be removed for interior inspection. Also car batteries, electric motors, aluminum.
Bank's Vacuum 2945 S. Lapeer Rd., Lake Orion (248) 693-7300	Accepts trade-ins. Value varies by the brand sold.