

Holiday Light Recycling

Recycle Your Holidays™ is a statewide holiday light recycling program. Residents can drop off unwanted light strands at any **Eden Prairie Liquor** location through the end of the year.

recycleminnesota.org



Green Disposal Guide

Hennepin County's online **Green Disposal Guide** offers reuse, recycling and disposal options for batteries, furniture, carpet and more. It also includes tips about shopping smarter, living greener and creating less waste.

hennepin.us/GreenDisposalGuide

Recycle Everywhere

About half of home recyclables never make it to the recycling bin. Rethink your recycling habits by adding convenient recycling bins and signage to your laundry room, bathroom or home office to encourage the whole family to recycle everywhere!

hennepin.us/RecycleEverywhere

Medicine Disposal

Proper disposal of unused medication is important to prevent abuse and protect the environment. The **Eden Prairie Police Department** has medicine disposal bags available to residents and hosts national drug take-back day events in the spring and fall. Medicine can also be disposed at any Hennepin County drop-box location.

hennepin.us/Medicine

Become a Master Recycler/Composter

Join fellow waste reduction enthusiasts and become an advocate in our community as a Hennepin County Master Recycler/Composter. Participants attend an extensive six-week course on waste prevention, recycling and composting, then complete 30 volunteer hours for certification.

hennepin.us/MasterRecyclers



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2018 EDEN PRAIRIE Recycling Guide

Message from the Mayor

Residents of Eden Prairie, in your hands is the annual recycling guide. We produce this publication each year to provide you with the most current information about recycling in a concise and convenient format – a tool you can reference throughout the year in your efforts to reduce, reuse and recycle.

This guide is just a small part of the City's efforts to implement sustainable practices and promote them within our community.

This year, the City launched **Sustainable Eden Prairie**, an ongoing effort focused on education and implementation of sustainable practices to protect the environment and natural resources. Leading by example, our goal for this initiative is to provide a foundation for residents and businesses to carry out sustainable practices in four areas – energy, landscape, waste and water.

My hope for this initiative is to create a legacy of sustainability in our community so future generations of Eden Prairie residents continue to benefit from the natural resources we enjoy today.

Thank you for being part of the solution!



Mayor Nancy Tyra-Lukens



edenprairie.org/SustainableEP

Recycling at Home

In Eden Prairie, all trash haulers are required to provide recycling services to single and multiunit households, through which the following items can be recycled:



- Boxes (cardboard, cereal, cracker, shoe, gift, electronic, toothpaste, medication, toiletry)
- Cartons (milk, juice, soup, broth, wine)
- Glass bottles and jars
- Metal cans
- Paper (catalogs, inserts, magazines, mail, newspaper, phone books, shredded paper in closed paper bags)
- Plastic bottles and jugs (water, soda, juice, milk, ketchup, salad dressing, dishwashing liquid, laundry detergent, shampoo, soap, lotion)
- Plastic cups and containers (yogurt, pudding, fruit, disposable cups and bowls, margarine, cottage cheese, produce, deli, takeout)
- Plastic packaging from toys and electronics

Remember to rinse all containers. For cartons, plastic bottles, jugs and containers, leave caps and lids on. For glass bottles and jars, remove caps and lids.

Items that cannot be recycled include:

- Aerosol cans
- Aluminum foil
- Dishes
- Drinking glasses
- Empty paint cans*
- Giftwrap
- Hazardous product containers
- Microwaveable food trays
- Paper cups, plates, napkins, towels
- Paper soiled with food
- Plastic bags
- Plastic wrap
- Scrap metal
- Styrofoam™
- Vases
- Window glass, mirrors

* Most trash haulers accept latex paint cans if empty and/or paint is dry.

Household Hazardous Waste

Hennepin County residents can dispose of the following items at Hennepin County Drop-off Facilities in Bloomington (1400 W. 96th Street) and Brooklyn Park (8100 Jefferson Highway):

Automotive Products

- Automotive fluids – antifreeze, brake fluid, transmission fluid, fuel
- Lead-acid batteries
- Oil and oil filters

Electronics (quantity limits apply)

- Computers, keyboards, mice, printers, scanners, cords
- DVD players, VCRs
- Telephones, cellphones
- Rechargeable tools and electronic devices
- Stereos

Household, Lawn and Garden Products

- Adhesives – flammable or petroleum based
- Aerosols – pressurized or containing product
- Batteries – place tape over positive terminal
- Cardboard (must flatten boxes)
- Household cleaners
- Fire extinguishers
- Grills and lawn mowers (remove nonmetal parts and drain fluids)
- Needles and sharps (must be in rigid, puncture resistant, plastic container with screw-on lid and labeled as household sharps)
- Organics (Brooklyn Park only Tuesday through Friday, must be in BPI-certified bags)
- Paint, stains, varnishes
- Pesticides
- Pool chemicals
- Propane/gas cylinders (1-pound, non-refillable containers only)

Mercury-Containing Items

- Fluorescent light bulbs (limit 25 per year)
- Thermometers
- Thermostats

Media

- Cords and lights
- DVDs, CDs and Blu-ray discs
- Flash drives and secure digital (SD) memory cards
- Game cartridges
- Holiday lights
- Ink jet and laser printer toner cartridges
- Video and audio cassette tapes

Items Accepted for a Fee (quantity limits apply)

- Air conditioners
- Appliance compressors
- Appliances
- Boiler gas valves
- Computer monitors
- Computers, laptops
- Dehumidifiers
- Furnaces
- Garbage disposals
- Mattresses, box springs (Brooklyn Park facility only)
- Pumps (bilge and sump)
- TVs
- Water coolers
- Water heaters
- Tires