



Household Chemical and Electronic Waste Day THIS SATURDAY! December 10 at 8am-12pm

This Saturday, bring your household chemicals and electronic waste to Cajun Field parking lot on the Bertrand side across the street from Rouses. This event is sponsored by CGI, Lafayette Consolidated Government, and Project Front Yard and made possible by Capital Area Corporate Recycling Council and is strictly for Lafayette City and unincorporated Lafayette Parish residents. Improper disposal of household chemicals can pose a threat to health, contaminate land, air and water supplies and cause injury to staff collecting our garbage. Help keep our city safe and clean by properly disposing these items. See what items will be accepted below.

Electronics Accepted

- Computer Hardware
- Computer Accessories
- Laptops
- Processors
- Networking Equipment
- Circuit boards (any type)
- Flat Screen Monitors
- Printers
- Fax Machines
- Toner & Ink Jet Cartridges
- Digital Cameras & DVR's
- MP3 & DVD Players
- Stereos
- DVD Movies & Video games
- Xboxes, Playstations, Wii
- Portable GPS Devices
- Cell phones/bag phones
- Telephone & Telephone Systems
- Security Systems
- Uninterruptible Power Supplies (UPS)
- Telephone & Computer Cables

Chemicals Accepted:

- Paint
- Paint products
- Turpentine
- Paint thinner and stripper
- Stains
- Gasoline
- Chemical cleaners
- Photographic chemicals
- Pesticides
- Herbicides
- Pool Chemicals
- Mercury thermometers

Will NOT Accept

- NO Televisions
- NO CRT Monitors
- NO Copiers
- NO Batteries (any type)
- NO Motor Oil or Antifreeze
- NO Compressed Gas Cylinders
- NO Tires
- NO Florescent Bulbs
- NO Appliances
- NO Fire/Smoke Detectors
- NO Commercial Waste
- NO Medical Waste
- NO Medicine
- NO Explosives (inc. ammunition)
- NO Radioactive Material
- NO PCB Oil

If you have any items listed above that are NOT accepted at this event, see below for details of where to bring those items. Call listed businesses for more details.

TVs and CRT Monitors (TVs must not exceed 32 inches)

- Best Buy
- Office Depot *fees may apply

Rechargeable Batteries

- Best Buy-lithium ion only
- Batteries Plus

Automotive Batteries

- Louisiana Scrap Metal
- Most automotive stores (i.e. Auto Zone, Firestone, Advance Auto Parts, Pep Boys)

Motor oil or Antifreeze

- Most automotive stores
- Wal-Mart

Compressed Gas Cylinders

- Ameri-Gas: 2317 N. University Ave.

Tires

- Public Works South District Yard: 1017 Fortune Road (291-7072)
- Colt Inc.: 1223 Delhomme Ave.

Appliances

- Louisiana Scrap Metal
- Once per month- curbside (visit Bulky Waste map at lafayettela.gov for designated week)

Fire extinguishers

- Gulf Land FireSafety Inc., Carencro, LA
- Medicine
- Most local pharmacies

Updates on Recycling Efforts

Changes made to get the most out of recycling on campus
In the last two years the Office of Sustainability has tracked significant progress in our campus waste reduction programs. Our main campus recycling diversion rate has increased more than 1,200%. At the same time we have reduced our overall costs associated with our solid

Plastic Bag Roundup!

In Lafayette, plastic bags are not accepted in our curbside recycling and are, as a result, usually sent to the landfill even though they can be recycled by other means. Project front Yard started the Plastic Bag Roundup as a competitive recycling program that not only offers a way to recycle but also educates students on the harm that these bags can do to our environment. According to Project Front Yard, this is how it works...

1. Participating Lafayette Parish elementary and middle schools compete against each other to collect and recycle the most used plastic bags, which would otherwise be thrown away as trash.
2. School volunteers weigh and track the amount of plastic film collected each month and report their monthly totals, through an online reporting tool.
3. The bags are delivered by an adult volunteer to any four of the local Albertson's grocery store locations on Monday each week, where it is then sent to be re-purposed into manufactured products.
4. The school that collects the most amount of used plastic film (by weight) per student capita at the end of the challenge will earn a free park bench made from remanufactured plastic bags! Each participating school will receive a certificate with a frame, also made from recycled plastic film.
5. The challenge launches on America Recycles Day (Nov. 15) and ends the week before Earth Day (Apr. 14), when final tallies are due.

Visit <http://www.lafayettela.gov/Presidents/Pages/Plastic-Bag-Roundup.aspx> for more information!

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Tip of the Month

With the end of this year in sight, make it next year's resolution to live more sustainably! Small changes make a huge difference when you make mindful and sustainable living part of your daily routine. Check out the tips below for suggestions.

1. Hang laundry to dry to save energy.
2. Walk, bike, or take public transportation.
3. Bring your own shopping bag.
4. Bring your own mug.
5. Bring your own water bottle.
6. Turn lights and electronics off when not in use.



Celebrate Sustainably this Holiday Season!

According to the EPA, from Thanksgiving to New Year's Day, household waste increases by more than 25 percent. In addition, the average American spends \$800 on gifts over the holiday season. To stop the holiday waste madness...

Buy Less

- Prevent over-purchasing for holiday parties by seeing what supplies you already have, knowing the size of your guest list, and making a list before running to the store.

Reduce Waste

- Bring your reusable bag when shopping.
- Use reusable dinnerware at parties.

Reuse and Recycle

- Reuse holiday decorations from previous years.
- Salvage wrapping, packing peanuts, cardboard boxes, gift bags to use next year!
- Set up recycling stations at your party.

Save Energy

- Turn off holiday lights during the day
- Maintain your heating system by checking ductwork for leaks
- Caulk and weatherstrip doors and windows that leak air.

R e m i n d e r

Remember to get involved with sustainability-related efforts on campus! Check out the **Biology Club**, **Horticulture Club**, **Geaux Bike UL**, or **Students for Sustainability** to see what they're doing to make our campus a better place! Ask club members about upcoming volunteer opportunities as a way to help out around our campus and within our community!

waste and recycling hauls for main campus by more than 50%. Though we are excited with our progress, we recognize that there are still areas that need improvement.

In order to be effective, it is important for our recycling system on campus to be as efficient and consistent as possible. Around campus, you'll see different types of recycling receptacles and each type has its unique place, whether it is in an office, lobby, outdoors, etc. Recently, our office has met with custodial staff to address the system of emptying these bins and making sure that trash and recycling remains separate all the way to the dumpster. For some buildings on campus, you'll see custodial staff pick up disposables at the end of the day with a dual cart that keeps the trash separate from recyclables. For other buildings that have no room to store these carts, you'll see custodial staff pick up recycling in Geaux R.E.D. bags and continue to use the round carts for trash.

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Thank you again for your efforts thus far in helping the University reduce our negative environmental impacts and operating costs! Under our current contract, it costs the University 11% LESS to recycle. So we should all feel good knowing that doing the right thing also saves the University money. If you ever have any questions, concerns, or ideas of how we could further reduce our waste and associated operating costs, please feel free to contact our office at any time!

Put the Brakes on Litter!

Keep Louisiana Beautiful aims to reduce roadside litter

According to Keep Louisiana Beautiful, studies have found that motorists are responsible for approximately 53% of all roadside litter. We know that all roadside litter gets washed towards the storm drains, and storm drains lead directly to the Vermilion River where it is consumed by hungry wildlife that mistake it for food. Often times, animals get entangled in litter. Litter that does not make it to the storm drain either blows back onto the roadway, creating a hazard for other unsuspecting motorists or gets stuck in roadside vegetation which is not only unsightly, but also dangerous for wildlife. Did you know that Louisiana spends \$4 million annually in cleaning up litter? To reach drivers, the 'Put the Brakes on Litter' campaign will be on display at the two places through which every driver must pass: driver's education schools, and at each Louisiana Office of Motor Vehicles.



Make sure to spread the word, and don't forget the four important teaching points of litter: "Litter is Harmful. Litter is Costly. Litter is Illegal. Litter is preventable."



Be sure to use our website [sustainability.louisiana.edu] as one of your sustainability resources! There, you'll find UL news, planning and progress updates, green guides, links to environmental footprint calculators, transportation information, and ways to get involved around campus and in the community!

Also, keep up to date by following us on **Facebook** (University of Louisiana at Lafayette Office of Sustainability), **Pinterest** (UL Office of Sustainability), and **Instagram** (ul_sustainability)!

Some programs we offer on campus include E-Cycle, Single-stream recycling, and S.W.A.P Shop for faculty and staff.



Feel free to contact us with questions or comments!
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Local Farmers Markets

Lafayette Farmers & Artisans Market at The Horse Farm
Every Wednesday 4:00 pm- 7:00 pm;
Every Saturday 8:00 am-noon

Lafayette Hub City Farmers Market
Oil Center (427 Heyman St.
across from Champagne's
Every Saturday 8:00 am-noon

Arts Weekend
Local artists join the Hub City Farmers Market
1st & 3rd Saturday of each month

Community

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Got an Idea?

Great ideas come from everywhere, and we would love to hear yours!

Please share it with us!
Just email us at sustainability@louisiana.edu