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RE: Earth Day Textile Recycling Event

Earth Day is Wednesday April 22. The Madison County Landfill will host a county-wide textile recycling event to celebrate. Textiles will be collected at ten sites throughout the county making it easy for residents to recycle their textiles.

Any textile item, even if it's worn, torn or stained can be recycled as long as it is clean or dry. "There is a misconception that textiles must be in wearable condition to be donated," said Mary Bartlett, Recycling Coordinator at the Madison County Landfill. "Actually, textiles can be recycled even if they are not in condition for resale." However, **rugs, carpeting and bed pillows will not be accepted.**

Textiles will be collected at the following sites and times on Wednesday April 22:

- Brookfield: 1 pm – 3 pm Brookfield Historical Society, 10556 Main Street
- Canastota: 8 am – 3 pm Madison County Office for the Aging, 138 Dominic Bruno Blvd.
- Cazenovia: 8 am – 5 pm Harris Cleaners, 21 Nelson Street
- Chittenango: 9 am – 4 pm Chittenango Landing Canal Boat Museum, 717 Lakeport Rd.
- Hamilton: 10 am – 5 pm Hamilton Library Community Room, 13 Broad Street
- Morrisville: 8 am – 4 pm Cornell Cooperative Extension Ag Center, 100 Eaton Street
- Nelson: 10 am – 5 pm Nelson Farms, 3261 Rt. 20 East
- New Woodstock: 1 pm – 5 pm 7 pm – 9 pm New Woodstock Library, 2160 Main Street
- Oneida: 8 am – 4 pm LoJo Technology, 327 Farrier Ave.
- Peterboro: 10 am – 4 pm Gerrit Smith Visitor Center 5304 Oxbow Rd.
- Wampsville: 8 am – 4 pm Madison County Highway Dept. , Court Street

Any type of clothing is acceptable—as well as blankets, sheets, towels, and curtains, gloves, socks, paired shoes and winter boots. Clothing must be clean, dry and packed in strong plastic bags, such as garbage or lawn-leaf bags. Please do not bring clothes on hangers.

Textiles collected will be donated to the Rescue Mission who will sort the donations and sell usable items in its Thrifty Shopper stores. Textiles that cannot be sold are baled and sold on the textile recycling market.

Textiles are one of the least recycled items. The Environmental Protection Agency estimates that the average person throws away 70 pounds of clothing per year. "We want to celebrate Earth Day this year by collecting all types of textiles which will keep them out of the landfill", said James Zecca, Madison County Landfill Director.

The textile collection event is one of the many events hosted by the Madison County Landfill each year. For more information, visit [www. https://www.madisoncounty.ny.gov/solid-waste/home](https://www.madisoncounty.ny.gov/solid-waste/home) or call the Recycling Hotline 1-800-721-2208.