## **Solid Waste Authority of Palm Beach County News**

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# SWA's October Household Hazardous Waste Tip ~ Hazardous chemicals could haunt your home ~

Halloween is a time of spectral terrors, but very real dangers might be slinking under your sink or sheltering in your shed... We're talking about home chemical horrors!

Almost every home has some chemical product that can be hazardous if not disposed of properly. Items such as rechargeable batteries, paints, motor fluids, propane tanks, pesticides, fluorescent bulbs and electronics pose a threat to the public, solid waste workers, and our environment if tossed in the trash.

Fortunately, vanquishing these harmful horrors is easy: Palm Beach County residents can take these and other household hazardous wastes to any of the SWA's seven Home Chemical and Recycling Centers for FREE and safe disposal.

The SWA's locations include (from north county to south county):

#### Jupiter

#### **North County Transfer Station**

14185 N. Military Trail (SWA Road) in Jupiter

Monday - Friday: 7 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Saturday: 7 a.m. - 3 p.m.

#### West Palm Beach

#### **Home Chemical and Recycling Center**

6161 N. Jog Road in West Palm Beach

Monday - Friday: 7 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Saturday: 7 a.m. – 5 p.m.

### Belle Glade

#### **Glades Regional Transfer Station**

1701 State Road 15 in Belle Glade

Monday - Friday: 7:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.

## • Royal Palm Beach

#### **West Central Transfer Station**

9743 Weisman Way in Royal Palm Beach

Monday - Friday: 7 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Saturday: 7 a.m. - 3 p.m.

#### Lantana

## **Central County Transfer Station**

1810 Lantana Road in Lantana

Monday - Friday: 7 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Saturday: 7 a.m. - 12 p.m.

## Delray Beach – West

## **Southwest County Transfer Station**

13400 S. State Road 7 in Delray Beach

Monday - Friday: 7 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Saturday: 7 a.m. - 3 p.m.

## • Delray Beach – East

## **South County Transfer Station**

1901 SW 4th Ave. in Delray Beach

Monday - Friday: 7 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Saturday: 7 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Commercial interests should call 561-687-1100 for disposal options.

In the last fiscal year, Palm Beach County residents recycled:

- 2,157,953 pounds of latex paint
- 450,772 pounds of used oil
- 66,190 pounds of batteries

at the SWA's <u>Home Chemical and Recycling Centers</u>. Each year, the SWA's Home Chemical and Recycling Centers either recycles or safely disposes of 4.2M pounds of household hazardous wastes.

Join us in battling the hazardous beasts that could contaminate our communities. Remember, *pollution prevention starts at home*. A full list of household hazardous wastes can be found at <a href="SWA.org/HCRC">SWA.org/HCRC</a> or call 561-697-2700 or 866-SWA-INFO (toll-free) to learn more about the Solid Waste Authority of Palm Beach County's Home Chemical and Recycling Centers.

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#### About the SWA

The Solid Waste Authority of Palm Beach County is a Dependent Special District that was created by the Florida Legislature in 1975. Since then, the SWA has developed an award-winning integrated solid waste management system to handle the county's waste and recyclables. We call ourselves AWAY: whether you throw it, recycle it or flush it AWAY, we put your waste to work. Each year, we:

- Process more than 90,000 tons of <u>recyclables</u> each year
- Combust approximately 1.8 million tons of trash each year to generate electricity at renewable energy facilities.
- Produce enough electricity to power approximately 74,000 homes
- Recycle more than 150,000 tons of <u>wastewater treatment residuals</u> (sludge from flushes) into environmentally-friendly fertilizer
- Collect water off of the roofs of Renewable Energy Facility 2 and store it in a 2 million gallon cistern, which is used as part of the energy
  making process

With the recent changes to the SWA's website, anyone can now sign up to receive SWA news, calendar updates, jobs, or other Web postings of interest by signing up online. Should you sign up online to receive SWA's news releases, we can remove you from this distribution by sending a REMOVE reply to this email.

Connect with the Solid Waste Authority of Palm Beach County - www.SWA.org

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