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SWA's May Household Hazardous Waste Tip ~Old hurricane supplies can be hazardous~

Hurricane season starts June 1, and many of our Palm Beach County neighbors are making sure they are prepared. As you update hurricane supplies, keep in mind that some items should not be placed in the garbage, but instead, be brought to one of the SWA's Home Chemical and Recycling Centers.

Supplies requiring special disposal include:

- gasoline and oil from generators
- propane tanks
- · rechargeable batteries from electronics or flashlights

These items (and other home hazards) can be dropped off for free by Palm Beach County residents at any of the Home Chemical and Recycling Centers listed below, where they will be recycled or disposed of properly.

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 (formerly Process 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:

- 455,945 pounds of used oil
- 258,661 pounds of gas cylinders
- 119,096 pounds of fuel
- 91,460 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 more than 4M pounds of household hazardous wastes.

Remember, *pollution prevention starts at home*. A full list of household hazardous wastes can be found at <u>SWA.org/HCRC</u> 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.

More information about proper waste disposal in PBC before and after a hurricane is at SWA.org/Hurricane.

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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 100,000 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, about the number of homes in Boca Raton and Palm Beach Gardens
- Recycle more than 150,000 tons of <u>wastewater treatment residuals</u> (sludge from flushes) into environmentally-friendly fertilizer
- Safely dispose of more than 4 million pounds of home hazards a year
- Collect water off of the roofs of <u>Renewable Energy Facility 2</u> and store it in a 2 million gallon cistern, which is used as part of the energy making process

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Authority are considered to be public records and will be made available to the public and the media upon request. Therefore, your e-mail message may be subject to public disclosure.