



**BROWN COUNTY
PORT & RESOURCE
RECOVERY
DEPARTMENT**

Our Vision:

To provide competitive, cost-effective and environmentally sound management systems for solid waste and recyclable materials for Brown County customers.

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Put Household Hazardous Waste in Its Place! **Household Hazardous Waste Awareness Week**

October 7th – 12th



Many products in our homes contain hazardous materials. Improper disposal can cause harm to humans and the environment.

The U.S. EPA estimates Americans generate 1.6 million tons of household hazardous waste (HHW) per year. The average home can accumulate 100 pounds of HHW in the basement, garage and other storage areas.



Common HHW Products:

- * Cleaning Products
- * Automotive Products
- * Lawn and Garden Products
- * Indoor Pesticides
- * Workshop/Painting Supplies
- * Batteries
- * Mercury Thermometers
- * Fluorescent Light Bulbs

Anything that is Flammable, Corrosive, Toxic or Reactive.

This means products with a "WARNING", "CAUTION" or "DANGER" label.

Check out our product exchange room where you can get free products including paint!

Proper Management of HHW Includes:

- Careful use and storage of products containing hazardous substances.
- Never store hazardous products in food containers.
- Keep them in original containers and never remove labels.
- Never leave household hazardous products or wastes within reach of children or pets.
- Purchase only the amount you need.
- Never mix different products together since this could cause them to react, ignite, or explode.
- Leftovers can be donated to friends or community organizations.
- Whenever possible, buy products with less harmful ingredients.
- Do not dispose of HHW in the trash, on the ground or in storm sewer drains.

The Brown County HHW Facility is located at 2561 South Broadway just under Hwy 172 in the Village of Ashwaubenon.



Special Hours:

Monday, October 7th noon – 6 pm
Thursday, October 10th noon – 6 pm
Saturday, October 12th 8 am – 2 pm



Find out about alternatives to common household cleaners and garden chemicals. Learn about options for disposing of leftover paint.

For more information call 920-492-4950.

Rates and Fees still apply.

Did You Know?

Did you know that the used oil from one oil change can contaminate one million gallons of fresh water?



The Household Hazardous Waste Facility is located 2561 S. Broadway.

Year-Round Collection hours are: Thursdays, Noon – 6 pm and Saturdays, 8 am—2 pm

Businesses and farms require an appointment by calling (920) 492-4950.

Department Reorganization

The Brown County Port and Solid Waste Department has a new name. Now called Brown County Port and Resource Recovery Department, the change reflects a newly reorganized department.



“Our department has developed over the last few years and reorganizing will help increase our efficiency while creating a more flexible and cross-trained team to better deal with the department’s day-to-day responsibilities as well as continued growth,” stated Dean Haen, director of the department. Our two Facility Managers have taken on two different roles and titles; Chad Doverspike is now the Department’s Operations Manager and Mark Walter is the Business Development Manager.

Currently, the Department oversees the operations of the Port of Green Bay including harbor improvements such as dredging and works with terminal operators that import and export more than two million tons of cargo each year. “The Port has strong potential as the interest in waterborne transportation continues to increase,” Haen stated. “It’s a cost effective transportation alternative that is attractive to businesses.”

Port and Resource Recovery also oversees the solid waste disposal needs of the county including environmentally and economical methods such as recycling, material re-use and household hazardous waste disposal. “The Household Hazardous Waste facility has collected more than 10 million pounds of materials since the facility opened in 1996,” said Haen “As more county residents and businesses become aware of proper ways to dispose of certain materials, the demand for these services will increase.”

Overall Haen says the department name change is a positive move. “Changing the department name better reflects our mission statement and what we offer to communities and businesses in Brown County,” Haen said. “It better represents our current services and services we will be able to offer in the future.”

Learn more about the Port and Resource Recovery department at www.portofgreenbay.com and www.browncountyrecycling.org.

Tiered Solid Waste Tipping Fees to Continue in 2014

The Resource Recovery area has transitioned to a tiered tipping fee system in 2013. The Preferred Contract Rate and Contract Rate are contractually bound to no more than a 2.2% increase based on the change in Consumer Price Index (CPI) for Urban Wage Earners-Midwest from June 2012 to June 2013. Brown County proposed to raise the Preferred Contract and Contract Rate customers by less than contractually allowed.

	<u>2013</u>	<u>2.2% Change</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>Actual Change</u>
Preferred Contract Rate (/ton)	\$40.00	\$0.88	\$40.60	1.5%
Contract Rate (/ton)	\$41.20	\$0.91	\$42.00	1.9%
Gate Rate (/ton)	\$43.00	N/A	\$44.00	2.3%



The tiered tipping fee system provides long-term and high tonnage customers with the best available tipping fees. The proposed Preferred Contract Rate is offered at below cost. All municipal customers of Brown County are eligible for the Preferred Contract Rate no matter their tonnage level. Customers with short-term contracts and/or low tonnage will be eligible for the Contract Rate. Customers with no commitment to the Brown County Solid Waste Management System will be offered the Gate Rate.

Reuse Recyclables Ideas on Pinterest



Looking for crafty décor ideas for Halloween while helping the environment in a positive way? Or even a fun project to do with the kids? Check out our Pinterest page for some crafty ideas for holidays or even everyday use!

Asphalt Shingles

Over 12.5 billion square feet of asphalt shingles are produced each year in the United States. That is enough to put a roof over 5 million homes. About 4.5% of waste entering the landfills comes from roofing waste. That's equivalent to 22 billion lbs. per year! The eco-friendly solution is to recycle the shingles into new roads. The shingle roof of an average US home can supply enough asphalt to help pave about 200 feet of a two-lane highway.



In July of 2012, Brown County started a shingle recycling program. Since then the department has collected approximately 13,000 tons. Asphalt shingles can be recycled at the Brown County Transfer Station located at 3734 W. Mason St. Hobart, WI. The Transfer Station accepts asphalt shingles Monday through Friday 7:00 am to 3:30 pm and Saturday 8:00 am to 12:00 pm subject to seasonal operating hours.

There are two different disposal rates for asphalt shingles:

Clean shingles (\$20/ton) - include asphalt shingles with residual amounts of nails, flashing and paper.

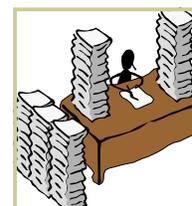
Dirty shingles (\$30/ton) - include asphalt shingles with metal, paper, wood and plastic mixed together.

The Transfer Station accepts three types of payment; Check, Credit Card (Visa, MasterCard, and Discover), and Monthly Invoicing* (contact Sheri McAllister to set this up at (920) 492-4951 or McAllister_ST@co.brown.wi.us.) **NO CASH.**

What can you do? It's simple, ask your roofing contractor about shingle recycling options. Many roofers are already sending tear-off shingles to local recycling centers like Brown County, but if not, they would be happy to know their customers are interested in making the change! It is the most eco-friendly option that can help lower the cost of roofing projects, reduce landfill waste, help the environment and improve the quality of our roadways.

Did You Know?

Recycling 1 ton of paper saves 17 mature trees, 7,000 gallons of water, 3 cubic yards of landfill space, 2 barrels of oil, and 4,000 kilowatt hours of electricity. This is enough energy to power the average American home for 5 months.



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Departmental Notes

Materials Recycling Facility Rental Space Available

The Brown County MRF has 11,000 sq. ft. of rental space available at its facility located at 2561 South Broadway in Green Bay. The rental space includes offices and a portion of the MRF including a baler and conveyor.

If you know someone interested in this space feel free to contact us at 920-492-4950 for more information.



Environmental Cleaning Alternatives

Instead of using:	Use:
All purpose cleaner	Mix 1/2 cup white vinegar and 1 T. baking soda
Toilet cleaner	Scrub with baking soda or powdered bleach
Glass cleaner	Mix 2T. Vinegar and 1 qt. warm water
Drain cleaner	Pour 1 cup baking soda down drain, follow with 1/2 cup white vinegar, slush with hot water
Scouring powders	Mix 4T. Baking soda with 1 qt. warm water
Furniture polish	Mix 1 part lemon juice with 1 part olive oil
Floor cleaner/wax	Mix 1 cup white vinegar with 2 gallons water; polish with club soda
Oil-bases paint	Substitute latex or water-based paint
Disinfectant	Mix 1/2 cup bleach with 1 gallon of water

America Recycles Day is November 15

For 16 years, communities across the country have celebrated America Recycles Day, a program of Keep America Beautiful, a nationally recognized day dedicated to promoting and celebrating recycling in the United States. Every year on or around November 15 (America Recycles Day) event organizers like you, educate neighbors, friends and colleagues through thousands of events.

The United States produces around 250 million tons of municipal waste every year with each person creating about 4.7 pounds of waste every single day. Brown County alone handles more than 270,000 tons of waste per year. To play your role in helping to improve our communities, conserving natural resources, and creating green jobs, please remember to recycle and spread awareness, especially on November 15th!

Visit the Brown County Recycling website at www.browncountyrecycling.org to learn more about local recycling and disposal options. Or try www.recyclemorewisconsin.org for information about recycling guidelines throughout Wisconsin. You could even take a recycling pledge on the America Recycles Day website at <http://americarecyclesday.org> to show your support for recycling.

