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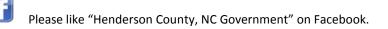
Henderson County Annual Household Hazardous Waste Collection and Paint Recycling Events Begin March 2018 HC-2018-6 Hendersonville, NC – February 6, 2018

The Henderson County Solid Waste Division will resume its annual Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) collections during the spring of 2018. Scheduled for the second Tuesdays from March through May (March 13, April 10, and May 8) the events operate from 8:30 a.m. until noon at the Henderson County Convenience Center, located at 265 Convenience Center Drive, Hendersonville, NC 28791. The six 2017 events served more than 500 vehicles, collecting more than 31,000 pounds of household materials considered hazardous and regulated as universal waste by NC DEQ.

The 2017 Paint Recycling Program will operate at the Transfer Station during the same dates and times. All paint and paint-related materials (except spray paints) incur a \$2 per gallon container fee, regardless of the amount within. Dried and solid paints are not accepted. Please note there is a 30gallon per individual per event limit on paint recycling during this program. Details on paint purchasing and proper disposal outside of this program are available online at <u>www.hcrecycles.org</u>. The Transfer Station is located at 191 Transfer Station Drive, Hendersonville, NC 28791.

The Solid Waste Division hosts the HHW events annually for the citizens of Henderson County to provide safe recycling and disposal of household chemicals, cleaners, pesticides, and insecticides. Mercury-containing bulbs and related items can be recycled at the Convenience Center for free Monday-Friday from households. These items are not accepted during these events. For a detailed list of acceptable HHW items or mercury products, please visit <u>www.hcrecycles.org</u>.

Items brought to the Convenience Center during HHW events should be kept in original containers or packaging, if possible, and should be handled with utmost care. A material ID form must accompany all unlabeled items. Residents can complete the form at the event or prior to the event through <u>www.hcrecycles.org</u>. Business and commercial waste is not accepted at these events. Please contact Environmental Programs for proper disposal options by calling (828) 694-6524.



To provide quality service and safety during these events, residents will unload their own HHW materials at the Convenience Center. Please leave pets at home. Direct any additional questions to (828) 697-4505 or (828) 694-6524.

