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Henderson County Household Hazardous Waste and Paint Collection Spring Events begin March 12

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Henderson County Solid Waste will offer its annual Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) and Paint collections this Spring. The events are scheduled for **Tuesday, March 12th, Tuesday, April 9th, and Tuesday, May 14th all from 8:00 am until noon**. Chemicals, cleaners, fertilizers, and pesticides will be collected at the Henderson County Convenience Center, located at 265 Convenience Center Drive, Hendersonville, NC 28791. Paint and other paint-related materials will be collected at a special entrance for the Transfer Station, located at 800 Stoney Mountain Road, Hendersonville, NC, 28791.

The Solid Waste Department hosts the HHW and Paint events in the Spring and Fall for the citizens of Henderson County to provide safe recycling and disposal of household chemicals, cleaners, pesticides, and fertilizers. Mercury-containing bulbs and related items are not accepted during this event but can be recycled at the Convenience Center for free from residences. For a detailed list of acceptable HHW items, please visit hcrecycles.org.

There is no charge for household chemicals, cleaners, pesticides, and fertilizers. All paint and paint-related materials (except spray paints) incur a \$5 per gallon container and a \$25 per 5-gallon bucket fee, regardless of the amount within. **No dried or solid paints will be accepted.** Please note there is a 30-gallon per individual, per event limit on paint recycling during this program. Details on the paint recycling program are available online at hcrecycles.org.

To reduce disposal costs, consider only buying paint that you need, using up all the remaining paint, or donating unused paint. Donations of paint may be accepted at Habitat for Humanity, always call to confirm that they can accept your items before dropping them off. Contact Habitat for Humanity at 828-696-9524 ext. 250. General guidelines for paint donations: paint must be new or ½ full, no rust on the cans, and lids must be intact. Spray paint must be new or ½ full with the lid intact. No old, gummy, or rotten paint will be accepted. To divert waste, Henderson County Solid Waste is partnering with Habitat for Humanity for the Paint collection events. Habitat for Humanity will be onsite at the Paint collection event to assess dropped-off paint and can accept usable paint as donations (only paint will be accepted as donation by Habitat for Humanity at this event. For any other donations, contact Habitat for Humanity directly).

Items brought to the HHW events should be kept in their original packaging and should be handled with utmost care. Unlabeled items must be accompanied by a material ID form, either at the event or before the event through herecycles.org. Business and commercial waste will not be accepted. Please contact Environmental Programs for proper disposal options by calling (828) 694-6524.

To provide quality service and safety during these events, residents are asked to please stay in their vehicles until they reach the collection tent. Residents should unload their materials and leave pets at home. Additional questions can be directed to (828) 697-4505 or (828) 694-6524.

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