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# 2011/2012 Recycling: Above and Beyond

## Recycling: Above and Beyond

*The average American throws away 5 lbs. of “waste” every day – nearly one ton a year! Much of this discarded material need not wind up in a landfill. This brochure provides practical alternatives to throwing things away – alternatives that go above and beyond Otsego County’s recycling program.*

### Otsego County Recycling & Hazardous Waste Collection Programs

#### Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day

Safely dispose of:

- Batteries – auto and household batteries, other than carbon zinc and alkaline batteries, which can go in the trash
- fluorescent light bulbs
- aerosol cans
- paints, stains and shellac
- garden and household chemicals
- pharmaceuticals
- propane tanks
- **NO ELECTRONICS**

This annual event is usually held in early fall. For information, call: Otsego County Solid Waste Dept., 607-547-4225, or check their website, [www.otsegocounty.com/depts/sw/](http://www.otsegocounty.com/depts/sw/)  
To volunteer call OCCA, 607-547-4488 or 547-4020.

#### Otsego County Recycling Program

**Containers:** Currently accepting clean glass, metal and plastic containers (no. 1-5’s and by August 2011 no.1-7’s except 6’s), poly-coated cartons (juice boxes)

**Paper:** Newspapers, office paper, magazines, junk mail, box board (cereal and shoe boxes, paper-pulp egg cartons, gift boxes, etc.), fax and thermal paper

**Cardboard:** Corrugated clean and dry cardboard flattened and folded into 3ft x 2ft pieces. Staples and tape do not have to be removed.

**MOSA/Otsego County Transfer Stations:**

- Northern/Fly Creek, Route 28/80, 607-547-5967  
Open Mon.-Fri. 7am-3pm, Sat. 7am-3pm for residential only
  - Southern/Oneonta, Route 205, Exit at I-88, 607-432-9540  
Open Mon.-Sat. 7am-3pm
- For information, call Otsego County Solid Waste Dept., 547-4225.  
[www.otsegocounty.com/depts/sw/](http://www.otsegocounty.com/depts/sw/)  
Electronics, TVs, computers, cell phones and batteries are recyclable for FREE at the Oneonta and Cooperstown transfer stations.

### OCCA, Otsego County's leading recycling advocate, and Otsego County Solid Waste Department team up to bring recycling information to all residents.

*Recycling demonstrates respect for the earth's limited resources. By recycling, we reduce the amount of virgin materials used to manufacture consumer items. Recycling also reduces air and water pollution caused by the manufacture of additional products and transportation for disposal of these same items. Finally, recycling preserves open space for better uses than landfills.*















Over the years, OCCA has supported recycling through:









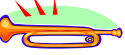







- Recycling bins – Main St., Cooperstown; Cooperstown Central School Recycling Program; Cooperstown Village Library Book Recycling, Earth Festival at Milford Central School in April
- Volunteer recruitment for Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day plus initiation of new items for collection
- Public education . . . like this recycling guide!

OCCA believes that until industry is required to recycle the waste and packaging it creates, local efforts at recycling will remain at the mercy of a fickle economic system that favors quantity over quality and short-term profit over the long-term general good. OCCA will continue to lobby at the state and federal level on these issues. We need to prevail upon both state and federal governments to devise recycling solutions that take into account the costs of production and consumption. We support product stewardship efforts.

**OCCA will revise this brochure periodically. Please contact us at 607-547-4488, 547-4020 or [admin@occainfo.org](mailto:admin@occainfo.org) if you know of other establishments accepting items included or not included in the current brochure, or if you have found inaccuracies in our information.**

Thank you for respecting the 3R's . . . Reduce! • Reuse! • Recycle!

Reusable Item	Accepts item	Special Instructions
	<p><b>* Contact information on last page</b></p> <p>*Family Service Association - <b>no pick-up available</b>            *The Better Exchange (SSPCA) Thrift Shop            *Salvation Army - does not accept refrigerators, computers, stoves or washing machines.</p>	<p>Small appliances: phones, toasters, answering machines, mixers, hair dryers, etc. can be dropped off at locations listed on back of brochure. Leave your name and phone no. for large items to be picked up or dropped off. Large items include: couches, refrigerators, computers, beds, stoves, washing machines.</p>
	<p>Donate to local schools, after-school programs, favorite day care, etc. Art supplies: fabric, yarn, pottery pieces, paint, wood scraps, etc. Call to find out what is accepted.</p>	
	<p>"Wheels to Work"            3 West Broadway, Oneonta, NY 13820            Phone: 607-433-8000; Fax: 607-433-8013            1-800-986-5463</p>	<p>Opportunities for Otsego accepts donated vehicles and will provide local families with dependable vehicles to assist them in maintaining employment. Automobile donations are tax deductible. Website: <a href="http://www.ofoinc.org">www.ofoinc.org</a></p>
	<p>* Family Service Association            * The Better Exchange (SSPCA) Thrift Shop            * Salvation Army            * Silks &amp; Treasures            * Hospice</p>	<p>Clean clothing, baby items, toys, bedding, etc.</p>
	<p>Used auto batteries can be recycled at any place of purchase. Household batteries: carbon zinc and alkaline can go in the trash. Batteries containing mercury, silver, lead, etc. need to be recycled at HHWC Day.</p>	<p>Recycle at Otsego County Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day. Details on first page of this brochure.</p>
	<p>Home Depot, Southside, Oneonta            Lowe's, Southside, Oneonta            Haggerty Hardware, Route 28, Cooperstown</p>	<p>Rechargeable household batteries and rechargeable tool batteries are accepted at these drop-off locations. Usually near entrance and customer service.</p>
	<p>* Family Service Association            * The Better Exchange (SSPCA) Thrift Shop            * Salvation Army            * Otsego Auto Crushers (unusable bicycles)</p>	<p>Donate bicycles to someone in need. The Otsego Regional Cycling Advocates (ORCA) may have a community bicycle program. Contact ORCA through OCCA, 607-547-4020 or 547-4488.</p>
	<p>For bottle and can returns, please see your local grocery or local convenience store or Oneonta Redemption Center – see back page.</p>	<p>Cans, bottles and water bottles can be returned for deposit money.</p>
	<p>Cell phones and ink cartridges are collected at the OCCA offices for remanufacture.  <b>OCCA also receives a donation of 15% of the price of every inkjet cartridge purchased!</b></p>	<p>You will save up to 70% by buying high-quality remanufactured inkjet cartridges vs. the original brand.  <a href="http://www.planetgreenrecycle.com/occa">www.planetgreenrecycle.com/occa</a> to purchase reused ink cartridges.</p>
	<p>* Family Service Association            * The Better Exchange (SSPCA) Thrift Shop            * Salvation Army            * Silks &amp; Treasures            * Hospice</p>	<p>All clothing should be clean and usable. Winter clothing is accepted by elementary and middle school nurses for students in need.</p>
	<p>HolidayLEDs.com            Attn: Recycling Program, 118 Rosehill Dr.            Suite 1, Jackson, MI 49202</p>	<p><a href="http://www.holidayleds.com">www.holidayleds.com</a></p>
	<p>CFLs contain small amounts of mercury. Collection containers are located at:            Home Depot, Southside, Oneonta            Lowe's, Southside, Oneonta            For more information go to:  <a href="http://www.otsegocounty.com/depts/sw/FluorescentBulbs.htm">http://www.otsegocounty.com/depts/sw/FluorescentBulbs.htm</a></p>	<p>Bring CFLs, broken or spent, in a container or plastic bag, for safe and proper disposal. Drop-off location is near entrance and customer service in each store.</p>
	<p><b>DEC registered electronics recyclers</b>            Edison Computers &amp; Consulting            Phone: 607-432-9311; Fax: 607-432-9334  <a href="mailto:Edisoncomputers@hotmail.com">Edisoncomputers@hotmail.com</a>            D.K. Recycling            Phone: 607-859-9400  <a href="mailto:deb@dkrecycling.com">deb@dkrecycling.com</a></p>	<p>As of 01.26.11, electronics and computers can be recycled for FREE at the MOSA Transfer Stations.  <b>Donate reusable items to your favorite schools, churches or non-profits.</b>            D.K. Recycling            3839 St. Hwy. 8, New Berlin, NY 13411            Edison Computers &amp; Consulting, 5375 St. Hwy. 7, Suite 1, State Farm Plaza, East End, Oneonta, 13820</p>
	<p>GreenDisk - Technotrash Can            2200 Burlington St., Columbia, MO 65202            Phone: 1-800-305-disk (3475); <a href="http://www.greendisk.com">www.greendisk.com</a>            See "CDs" section for more information.</p>	<p>Greendisk accepts all small hand-held electronics: cell phones, PDAs, pagers, etc. For a price, these can be shipped for recycling in a "Technotrash Can." Non-profits may appreciate the donation of a phone.</p>

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	<p>See "Computers" for information. See GreenDisk under "CDs" for more information.</p> <p><b>* Contact information on last page</b></p>	<p>As of 01.26.11, electronics and computers can be recycled for FREE at the MOSA Transfer Stations.</p>
	<p>Many local churches accept NONPERISHABLE food for their food pantries. For specific food programs, see back cover of this brochure.</p>	<p>Food scraps in the home can be composted in the back yard. For composting information, contact the Cornell Cooperative Extension of Otsego County at 607-547-2536 or OCCA at 607-547-4488.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Family Service Association – <b>no pick-up available</b></li> <li>* The Better Exchange (SSPCA) Thrift Shop</li> <li>* Salvation Army</li> <li>* Hospice – small items only</li> </ul>	<p>For large items, call Salvation Army to arrange for pick-up.</p>
	<p>Lions Club drop-off sites: OCCA and Bassett Medical Center - Eye Clinic, Cooperstown Cooperstown Optical, 5370 Rt. 28, Cooperstown Bruce Hall Corp, 206 Main St., Cooperstown Larry's Barber Shop, Genesee St, Cherry Valley</p>	<p>Lions Club collects eyeglasses to be given to people in need around the world. Glasses are cleaned and adjusted and reused by people in need. Paul Weber DDS, 5920 Route 28, Fly Creek Bruce Hall Corp, Main St., Cooperstown</p>
	<p>Audibel of Oneonta, LLC, 4966 St. Hwy. 23, Oneonta, 607-432-3484 Lions Club drop-off sites - see Eye Glasses category</p>	<p>Lions Club collects hearing aids to be given to people in need around the world.</p>
	<p>Cell phones and ink cartridges are collected at the OCCA offices for remanufacture. <b>OCCA receives a donation of 15% of the price of every inkjet cartridge purchased! Thank you for donating to OCCA.</b></p>	<p>You will save up to 70% by buying high-quality remanufactured inkjet cartridges vs. the original brand. <a href="http://www.planetgreenrecycle.com/occa">www.planetgreenrecycle.com/occa</a> to purchase reused ink cartridges.</p>
	<p>Turn in at the NY State Department of Motor Vehicles.</p>	
	<p>Otsego Auto Crushers Mon.-Fri. 8am-5pm; Sat. 8am-noon 6071 St. Hwy. 23, Southside, Oneonta Phone: 607-432-2375</p>	<p>Accepts ferrous and non-ferrous metals, drained and empty paint cans, old pipes, hot water heaters, and any scrap metal around the house. Does not accept safes, food cans or TVs. Must present personal identification and proof of having drained freon from cooling appliances.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Salvation Army</li> <li>Local Schools</li> </ul>	<p>Schools expressing interest are too numerous to list here. We strongly encourage you to contact your local elementary or high school music department.</p>
	<p>Copy Shop, 218 Main St., Cooperstown, 607-547-5150 The Shipping Room, 291 Chestnut St., Oneonta, 607-433-0545 (only packing peanuts and craft paper) Architiques, 35 Otsego St., Oneonta, 607-433-9890, 9am-4pm (packing peanuts and bubble wrap) Otego Optical, 3095 Co. Hwy. 11, Hartwick, 607-293-6180, Mon.-Fri. 8am-4pm (leave only packing peanuts at back door)</p>	<p>All packaging materials such as Styrofoam or cornstarch peanuts, Styrofoam blocks, bubble wrap and small boxes are reusable. Call your nearby gift shop or mailing service to see if they accept packaging materials.</p>
	<p>Broken paper shredders can be recycled at Otsego Auto Crushers or at any of the scrap metal collections in Otsego County for free.</p>	<p>If the plastic housing can be removed easily this can be recycled in plastic category. If not, leave it on.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* SSPCA, 4841 St. Rt. 28, Cooperstown, (Hyde Park), 607-547-8111</li> </ul>	<p>Accepts pet food and pet supplies: pet cages, carrying cages, pet dishes, collars, chains, clean used bedding material, etc. To donate items to Otsego County wildlife rehabilitators, call OCCA at 607-547-4488.</p>
<p>Plastic Bags</p>	<p>Recyclable at local grocery stores.</p>	<p>Also plastic film, construction plastic, bread bags, etc.</p>
	<p>Tires reprocessed for a small fee, where sold.</p>	<p>Call your city or town; a tire collection may be scheduled. MOSA Southern Transfer Station (Oneonta) accepts tires for a <b>fee</b>, 607-432-9540.</p>
	<p>Habitat for Humanity, 50 Dietz St., Suite M, Oneonta 607-432-7874 To volunteer go to website - "Volunteer Now" <a href="http://www.habitatotsego.org">www.habitatotsego.org</a></p>	<p>Habitat for Humanity may need carpentry and masonry tools and bulk hardware items. Please call Habitat to arrange for your donation.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Family Service Association</li> <li>* The Better Exchange (SSPCA) Thrift Shop</li> <li>* Salvation Army</li> </ul>	<p>Toys should be in good to excellent condition.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Family Service Association – <b>no pick-up available</b></li> <li>* The Better Exchange (SSPCA) Thrift Shop</li> <li>* Salvation Army – does not accept refrigerators, computers, stoves or washing machines</li> <li>* Otsego Auto Crushers</li> </ul>	<p>To donate refrigerators, stoves, freezers, dryers, or dishwashers, call for pick-up or drop off. (Unusable items can be recycled at Otsego Auto Crushers*. Personal identification and proof of having drained freon from cooling appliances must be presented.) Also, call your municipality to find out if it plans to hold a white goods collection.</p>
<p>Wood, Unpainted and Untreated</p>	<p>Unpainted, untreated, with or without nails. Recyclable with MOSA for a fee at MOSA transfer stations.</p>	<p>Wood is chipped for bedding.</p>

### **Salvation Army Thrift Shop**

105 Main St., Oneonta, 607-432-0952

Hours: Mon. 9am-5pm, Tues., Wed. 9am-8pm

Thurs. 9am-8pm, Fri. & Sat. 9am-5pm

Accepts any useable item except: paper items, magazines, books and major appliances. Does not accept refrigerators, computers, stoves or washing machines. Pick-up from your home may be arranged. Call 1-800-95-TRUCK.

### **SSPCA - The Better Exchange Thrift Shop**

4841 St. Hwy. 28, Hyde Park, 607-547-9462

Hours: Tues.-Fri. 10am-4pm, Sat. 10am-2pm

Clothing for all ages, kitchen items, bicycles, small appliances, curtains, baby accessories. Sheets and blankets in perfect condition. Items should be clean and useable and in good working order. Cribs of newer design so baby's head cannot go between bars.

### **Family Services**

277 Chestnut St., Oneonta, 607-432-2870

Hours: Mon.-Wed. 9:30am-12:30pm, 1:30pm-4:30pm

Thurs. 1:30-4:30pm, Friday appointments for service

Call to arrange large donations. No electronics or computers, clothing in perfect condition, small items of furniture.

Furniture and large appliances, beds are coordinated with donation and needs list matching.

### **Oneonta Redemption Center**

459 Chestnut St., Oneonta, 607-433-9750

Open Mon.-Fri. 10am-6pm, Sat. 10am-2pm

Accepts all deposit containers.

### **Otsego Auto Crushers**

6071 St. Rt. 23 (Southside), Oneonta, NY, 607-432-2375

Mon.-Fri. 8am-5pm, Sat. 8am-noon

Accepts many items and offers payment depending on market prices. The following types of materials are accepted: ferrous (steel and tin) and non-ferrous metals (aluminum, copper, bronze and stainless steel), cardboard, motor vehicles, appliances free of Freon, car batteries and radiators, insulated wire, metal duct work, lawn furniture, spent bicycles.

### **Hospice Catskill Area Palliative Care Thrift Shop and Boutique**

269 Main St., Oneonta, 607-432-5335

Tues.-Sat. 10am-4pm

Accepts men's, women's, and children's clothing, DVDs, videos, and knick knacks. All funds raised go to Hospice.

### **Non-perishable Food Donations**

#### **Salvation Army Food Pantry and Sunday Meal**

25 River St., Oneonta, 607-432-5960

Food donations can be dropped off Mon.-Fri. 9:30am-4:30pm

Closed for lunch from noon-12:30pm

Sunday meal from 4pm-5pm.

#### **Presbyterian Church Food Pantry**

25 Church St., Cooperstown, 607-547-8401 or 547-8902

Hours: Mon.-Fri. 10am-noon and 2pm-4pm

Accepts unopened non-perishable food including cheese and meat items. Drop off donations in the basement hallway, next to the food bank, in the church house.

#### **St. Mary's Church Food Pantry**

39 Walnut St., Oneonta, 607-432-3920

Accepts non-perishable food items Mon.-Fri. 11am-3pm

Call for additional drop-off times.

#### **Lord's Table - St. James Church**

18 Elm St., Oneonta, 607-432-3558

Meals served Mon.-Fri. 4:30pm-6pm

Food donations accepted between 8am-4pm

Closed major holidays.

#### **St. James Food Pantry - Behind Lord's Table**

18 Elm St., Oneonta, 607-432-1458

Open: Sun. noon-2pm, Mon-Fri. 9am-noon

Afternoons by appointment

Food donations accepted between 8am-4pm.

#### **Saturday's Bread**

Hosted by First United Methodist Church

66 Chestnut St., Oneonta, 607-432-4102

Donations accepted: Mon.-Fri. 9am-4pm, Sat. 9am-1pm

Meal served every Sat. 11am-1pm.

#### **Salvation Army Rummage Sale**

25 River St., Oneonta, 607-432-5960

The Rummage Sale is usually held on the third Friday of the month, 9am-1pm.

Donations accepted Mon.-Fri. 7am-4:30pm

Accepts any useable item except: paper items, magazines, books and major appliances.

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## **A recycling alternative: OCCA Amazing Array Annual Garage Sale**

**Held in April, at the  
Cooperstown Farmers' Market**



**You can begin NOW to collect  
tax-deductible items to donate!  
Check [www.occainfo.org](http://www.occainfo.org)  
for specific annual information.**

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### **Got Clothes?**

**Try Silks and Treasures  
for a "New-to-You" Wardrobe  
11 Clinton Plaza, Oneonta  
(in the rear, between Main and Market streets)**

**Deliver 10 or fewer seasonal items weekly, except Tuesday;  
for 11-25 items, by appointment.**

**Only clothes in excellent condition, please!  
Some items other than clothes also accepted.  
For information or a brochure, call 607-432-0587.**

**Please consider consigning your items  
to OCCA's Silks & Treasure's account!  
Monies collected from this account  
support our recycling efforts.  
Just say, "OCCA!"**