

SEPTEMBER 2023



# RECYCLING MATTERS

FOR A WASTE-FREE COLLAR CITY

## Back to School

School's back starting September 7th! We started working with the Science Club in 2021 with a textile reuse and recycling unit. At the end of our first school year together, we celebrated by having a textile bin set up at the school. For every pound of textiles diverted, the school will receive 10 cents back to use for the club.

Since January of this year alone, 4,317 pounds of textiles have been diverted through School 2's textile bin with \$431.70 in revenues! The funds were used to purchase year books for all club members.

## Science Club at Troy School 2

This past year, the Science Club:

- learned about single-stream recycling with a field trip to Sierra Processing in Albany
- studied food systems with a field trip to Engelke Farms in Brunswick
- got hands-on experience composting in Troy School 2's outdoor classroom

Field trips were funded by the Rubin's Community Fellows Grant Program.

The students voted on what the focus would be for the upcoming school year. The winning projects were replacing styrofoam trays in the lunch room with something more recyclable, and to pilot a food scrap diversion program with fifth graders.



*Pictured: Troy School 2 students in front of the Sierra Processing facility in Albany.*



*Pictured: Troy School students posing with their safety gear inside the Sierra Processing facility.*

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# Location Update: Battery Recycling Drop-off

Our battery recycling program will be moved to the Troy Resource Management Facility's open hours, which are Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9am to 1pm. The starting date will be announced in a later edition of this newsletter and on our Facebook page.

Please note that all batteries must be taped, and separated by rechargeable and single-use. Signs are posted on barrels to assist you.

In addition to the drop-off program, rechargeable batteries will also be accepted at City electronics events, including this year's on September 30.



*Pictured: a pair of batteries.*

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## Household Hazardous Waste Disposal Event

Saturday, September 16 in Brunswick

**As a reminder, household hazardous wastes** are the only accepted material for this event. Advanced registration is required!

Electronics recycling, tire collection, and paper shredding are not part of these events.

### WHAT

Household hazardous waste includes items such as gasoline, pesticides, paint, and other materials. Visit [www.troyny.gov/hhw](http://www.troyny.gov/hhw) for a complete list of eligible items.

### WHEN

Saturday, September 16. Time slots will be emailed in advance.

### WHERE

336 Town Office Road, Troy NY 12180

### HOW TO REGISTER

**Online:** [www.troyny.gov/hhw](http://www.troyny.gov/hhw)

**In-person:** the Mayor's Office at City Hall (433 River Street)

**Over phone:** call (518) 279-7313



*Pictured: a container of bleach, a pesticide container, and a red gasoline can.*

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# Electronics Event

**Saturday, September 30 at the Troy Resource Management Facility**

## WHAT

The following items are eligible for recycling:

- electronics
- tires (fees are associated with this item)
- paper for shredding
- rechargeable batteries (MUST be taped)

## WHEN

Saturday, September 30.

Time slots will be emailed in advance.

## WHERE

Troy Resource Management Facility (Alamo).  
Corner of East Industrial Parkway and Main Street.



*Pictured: white appliances and electronics.*

## HOW TO REGISTER

**Online:** [www.troyny.gov/272/Electronics-Waste-Collection](http://www.troyny.gov/272/Electronics-Waste-Collection)

**In-person:** the Mayor's Office at City Hall (433 River Street)

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## Upcoming Events

COMMUNITY-BASED SUSTAINABLE EVENTS

### TROY RESOURCE MANAGEMENT FACILITY (ALAMO) OPEN

*Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9 to 1*

*Services: food scrap drop-off, pallet pick-up, mulch pick-up,  
bagged leaf and branch drop-off, battery drop-off*

### HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE EVENT - BRUNSWICK

*Saturday, September 16 at Brunswick Town Hall*

*Advanced registration required: [www.troyny.gov/hhw](http://www.troyny.gov/hhw)*

*or contact City Recycling Specialist at [recycling@troyny.gov](mailto:recycling@troyny.gov) / (518) 279-7313*

### ELECTRONICS RECYCLING EVENT

*Saturday, September 30 at the Troy Resource Management Facility*

*Services: electronics, rechargeable batteries, tire disposal, paper shredding*

*Advanced registration required: [www.troyny.gov/electronics](http://www.troyny.gov/electronics)*

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