



The Green Bin

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Spring is Here!

We survived the long and cold winter! Hooray! And we have even more **GREAT NEWS!** For the fourth year in a row, the City's recycling rate is above 50%! Keep up the excellent work!

Contest Time! We are looking to increase our likes on [Facebook](#). For every 20 likes we receive throughout the month of April, we will select a Newton resident to receive a \$10 Amazon giftcard! Spread the word!



Volunteers Needed to help with a Recycling Education Sticker program. Volunteers will affix stickers to residents' green bins during collection day during the spring and summer months. Maps will be provided and work will be conducted primarily in the morning hours. [Sign up here](#)



Rain Barrels for Sale! Interested in Water Conservation? Collect rain water runoff to water your garden! Rain barrels can be purchased for \$69 + tax online at www.greatamericanrainbarrel.com, deadline Friday April 18th

Pickup up your barrel Saturday, April 27th from 9am-11am at the Recycling Depot at Rumford Avenue.

Yard Waste Collections have resumed! Please place in paper yard waste bags or barrels and put to the curb prior to 7am on your collection day. Plastic bags are NOT accepted. [Click here](#) for more details.



Interested in composting at home? The City sells low-cost bins and provides how-to tips, [click here](#) for more information! See below for special compost-themed events being held in May during International Compost Awareness Week!



Household Hazardous Waste Drop-offs for Newton residents resume Wednesday, May 14th from 7:30am-12:30pm. Drop-offs for 2014 will be every Wednesday until June 25th and then again from September 3rd– October 15th at the [Resource Recovery Center at Rumford Ave.](#) There will also be drop-offs on four separate Saturdays: May 10, June 21, September 20, and October 18. The facility will be closed in July and August, except for July 16th and August 13th.

For a listing of accepted materials, managing hazardous waste, alternative products and how to transport materials safely, [click here](#).

Electronics Recycling Held the third Friday and Saturday of each month at the Recycling Depot at Rumford Ave from 8am-12pm, residents can bring old electronics (anything with a plug!) for recycling free of charge. Computer Monitors and TVs are accepted for \$12 each. Businesses and Non-profits also welcome. You can also [schedule a curbside pick up](#) for a fee or [check out retailers and manufacturers who accept electronics for recycling](#).

Upcoming Dates:
April 18 and 19
May 16 and 17
June 20 and 21



International Compost Awareness Week, May 5-10, 2014 We will offer tours of the Compost Facility at the Resource Recovery Center at Rumford Ave on Wednesday, May 7th and Saturday, May 10th. We will also hold a Home Composting Workshop on Thursday, May 8th. Events are free, but registration is required. All participants will be entered in a drawing for a free home compost bin. For more information and to sign up, [click here](#).



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Helpful links:

- [Single Stream Recycling Guidelines](#)
- [The Recycling Depot at Rumford Ave](#)
- [Recyclopedia—A-Z guide](#)
- [Calendar of Events](#)

We hope you enjoy the Green Bin—the electronic newsletter from the City of Newton DPW Environmental Affairs Division.

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