



# RecycleSmart

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## 2016 Household Hazardous Waste Drop-Off Dates Announced



HHW drop-off events will be held from 1:00pm - 7:00pm on the following Thursdays: April 21, May 12, June 23 and August 25. One Saturday drop-off event will be held on October 1 from 9:00am - 2:00pm.

**Appointments are required** for all HHW collection events and can be made beginning April 1st by using the online scheduling system at [www.recyclesmart.info](http://www.recyclesmart.info) or by calling the RecycleSmart hotline at 231-941-5555.

Small businesses, organizations and schools may qualify to dispose of HHW at a drop-off event. Visit the RecycleSmart website for details about Conditionally Exempt Small Quantity Generator (CESQG) specifications.

[www.RecycleSmart.info](http://www.RecycleSmart.info) or RecycleSmart Hotline at 231-941-5555

## Sharps Disposal Day Thursday March 31st 10 am - 2 pm



Prevent injury, infection and pollution by disposing of sharps properly at the free Community Safe Sharps Disposal Day.

### ***Munson Medical Center Main Entrance from 10 am - 2 pm***

Sharps (needles, syringes, lancets) will be accepted in approved containers:

- Medical sharps container
- Heavy-duty plastic laundry detergent jug with tight-fitting cap
- Never put sharps containers into recycling.
- Dispose of sharps containers when 2/3rds full.

Pills and liquids are **NOT** accepted.

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## Clean Out Your Files Week: April 15 - April 22

Clean Out Your Files Week April 15 - April 22, 2016. This is a no-cost opportunity for businesses to recycle unwanted paper material. American Waste will be providing the use of a recycling container at the Sara Hardy Downtown Farmers Market parking lot at the corner of Cass & Grandview Parkway. Accepted material includes newspapers, magazines, old files, office paper and unwanted mail. This container of paper material will not be shredded.

Want information about how to green up your work place? Visit the website [recyclingatwork.org](http://recyclingatwork.org) for tips, tricks and resources.

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## Earth for Earth Day: Compost Give-Away

Get your free compost! Saturday, April 23, 2016 from 8:00 am to noon (or until gone). Self serve, self haul compost is yours FREE at the Sara Hardy Downtown Farmers Market parking lot (Union Street and Grandview Parkway). Compost is courtesy of the City of Traverse City & Grand Traverse County RecycleSmart. Bring your own shovel and container.



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## Resource Recovery Program - Under New Management

*On March 9, 2016 the Grand Traverse County Board of Commissioners approved a recommendation to enter into a three year contract with Iris Waste Diversion Specialists, Inc. to provide Recycling Education and Coordination services as well as coordination of the County Household Hazardous Waste & Clean Sweep Pesticide program.*

### ***Who is Iris Waste Diversion Specialists?***

Iris is proud to be a Michigan-based environmental program management company. We are headquartered in Saginaw, however you will find our team working throughout Michigan managing programs and projects for our clients.

We typically perform the duties of recycling and solid waste coordinators and resource recovery managers on a contractual basis. Our clients include local, regional and state government, private companies, non-profit organizations and institutions.

Combined, our staff has over 75 years of experience in the solid waste, recycling and organics industry.

Iris is both honored and excited to be a part of the Grand Traverse County community and look forward to providing residents with continued, quality resource recovery programs and services.

RecycleSmart is the Resource Recovery program of Grand Traverse County, Michigan

Operated under contract by Iris Waste Diversion Specialists, Inc.

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