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Did you Know...



Approximately 220 tons of organic material was collected at Food Scraps Recycling Drop Spots in 2016.



New Drop Spots for Danby and Ithaca

The ever-expanding Food Scraps Recycling program added one new Drop Spot this summer, bringing the total number throughout Tompkins County to 12. The Hancock Street Drop Spot opened in Ithaca on August 6th, and takes place from 4-6 PM every Wednesday. The new location and time offers greater flexibility to downtown participants, and is made possible in part by Ithaca Coffee Company, which allows use of their roastery parking lot. Danby's first Drop Spot opens on September 30th and is open on Saturdays from 9 AM-Noon behind the Danby Town Hall.



The new Hancock Street Drop Spot is located at the corner of Hancock and Fifth Street in Ithaca.

New Videos Improve Customer Awareness

This past summer, Tompkins County Recycling and Materials Management (TCRMM) partnered with photographer Tom Hoebbel to create two new videos designed to promote awareness of programs and services. "How to Use The Recycling and Solid Waste Center" debuted in July, followed by "What Happens to My Food Scraps" in August. The new videos feature a customer's point-of-view tour of the Recycling and Solid Waste Center and behind-the-scenes footage of operations at Cayuga Compost. The videos also show how to buy solid waste permits, bring food scraps to a drop spot, and more. View them at Recycle Tompkins' Youtube and Facebook (@RecycleTompkins) pages.



Finished compost is videotaped as it is deposited by a trommel screen at Cayuga Compost.

Community Outreach

Look for us at these upcoming community events:

Danby Fun Day
September 23rd

Downtown Ithaca Apple Harvest Fest
September 30th

Brooktondale Apple Fest
October 21st



Household Hazardous Waste Drop Off Dates

October 21st

November 18th
Final Event of 2017

Please register ahead of time and learn more at recycletompkins.org

Public Space Recycling Arrives in Dryden

TCRMM recently installed its sixth public space recycling station in Dryden's Montgomery Park. The specially-designed bin features receptacles for both trash and single-stream recyclable items like metal cans, plastic containers, glass bottles and newspapers. The new station is located next to the children's playground, allowing park users to recycle on the go. Dryden Village Mayor Reba Taylor said adding public space recycling has helped cut down on instances of litter in the park.

"We're excited to be partnering with Tompkins County on such a worthwhile program," she said, "and the fact it will help keep Montgomery Park clean is an added benefit!"



The new Public Space Recycling bin stands in front of the children's playground in Dryden's Montgomery Park.

ReBusiness Partners Spotlight

Congratulations to our newest ReBusiness Partners, Franco's Pizzeria and the City of Ithaca Water Treatment Plant! Franco's Pizzeria is a new restaurant on West State/Martin Luther King Jr. Street in downtown Ithaca. The Water Treatment Plant has provided drinking water to the city since 1903 and recently opened a new, updated facility on Water Street. Participating businesses receive a free waste assessment as well as free bins, signs and decals to make recycling and waste reduction easy. Learn more about the program and how your business can benefit from becoming a ReBusiness Partner at recycletompkins.org.



Eckstrom Elected to National Recycling Coalition Board of Directors

TCRMM Director Barbara Eckstrom was elected to the Board of Directors for the National Recycling Coalition, a non-profit organization focused on the promotion and enhancement of recycling in the United States. The elections were held during the 2017 Resource Recycling Conference in Minneapolis, MN. With a network of more than 6,000 NRC members, Eckstrom says her new position "will surely give our department more opportunities for resources and further involvement at the national level."

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