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Enhanced Paint Recycling Program Unveiled by Henderson County Solid Waste Division

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The Henderson County Solid Waste Division is making modifications to its existing Paint Recycling Program to enhance the availability and ease of use for all Henderson County citizens.

Beginning on June 16, 2015, all types of paint related materials, including oil-based and latex-based paint products, can be recycled on the 3rd Tuesday monthly from 8:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. at the Paint Recycling Building on the Transfer Station side, located at 191 Transfer Station Drive, Hendersonville, NC 28791. The Solid Waste Division is hoping to make recycling more convenient for citizens by offering paint collection at one location.

All paint-related items, except spray paint, incur a \$2 per gallon container fee, regardless of the amount of paint within the container. Five-gallon containers are accepted for \$10 each. To view the approved fee schedule, please visit <http://www.hendersoncountync.org/budget/>.

This program is only for use by Henderson County residents. Paint from businesses or commercial entities will not be accepted. For business recycling information, please contact Environmental Programs at (828) 694-6524.

Citizens who are not able to participate in the Paint Recycling Program are encouraged to follow these quick, easy steps to ensure that paint is properly recycled:

- *For gallons of paint that are not full and are tacky:* take the container outside and vent the lid to evaporate moisture. After 8-12 hours, fill the container with cat litter to solidify the product. Once the paint is as solid as possible, replace the lid tightly, bag the cans, and throw away with other household trash. This works best for latex and acrylic paints.
- *For gallons of paint that are fully liquid:* consolidate like-containers of latex or acrylic paint. Never mix oil-based paints to ensure that recycling can take place. Bring this paint to the Transfer Station on the 3rd Tuesday monthly between 8:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. to be recycled.
- *For more options* on paint re-use through local donation programs, please visit www.hcrecycles.org.

Please note that dried paint of any sort will not be accepted during this program; however, solidified paint can be bagged and brought to the Transfer Station with other household waste. Empty, clean metal and plastic used paint containers can be recycled at the Convenience Center daily.

For more information on the details of this recycling program, visit www.hcrecycles.org. Additional questions can be directed to (828) 697-4505 or (828) 694-6524.

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