



# The Green Bin

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## April 2006 is GreenUp Newton

GreenUp Newton is a month-long celebration of recycling, environmental stewardship, and fun! This April, the Division of Environmental Affairs is organizing many events and opportunities for you, your family, and your office.

Here's a sample of the some of the exciting events we have planned: How to Compost work-



shop, Charles River Clean-up, Rain Barrel Sale, and Clean Out Your Files Day .

To kick off GreenUp, we will be holding an open house at the Office of the Environmental Affairs

Division. Stop by 110 Crafts Street on Friday April 7th from 9am to 4pm. Learn where your recycling goes, ask questions, pick up a green bin, recycle your printer cartridges, or just stop in to say hi and enjoy some refreshments. We look forward to meeting you!

For a complete listing of GreenUp Newton events, visit us on the web.

Welcome to the first edition of the Green Bin—a quarterly newsletter from the Division of Environmental Affairs.

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## Swap 'til you Drop!

Save the date! **Sunday, April 30th, 9am to 2pm** for the third annual Newton Trade and Recycle Day at the Rumford Ave Recycling Depot.

Newton residents are invited to swap or donate the following reusable items: electronic equipment, books, bikes, appliances, building materials and household articles (dishware, lamps, furni-

ture, etc.) Bring items for recycling, too: cell phones, printer cartridges, sneakers, fluorescent bulbs, CDs, DVDs, coat hangers, lawn chairs, and other scrap metal. Plus anything the Depot accepts year-round: paper, cardboard, glass, metal, stiff plastic containers (#1-#7). The swap is part of the day-long [NewtonSERVES](#) event.

If you want to start swapping and recycling before the event, visit [www.WasteNotNewton.com](http://www.WasteNotNewton.com), the City's on-line reusable materials exchange.



If you'd like to volunteer for the event, please call Barbara Herson at 617.796.1487 or email [bherson@newtonma.gov](mailto:bherson@newtonma.gov)

## FAQs

1. [How do I get a new recycling bin?](#)
2. [What goes in my recycling bin?](#)
3. [Where is the Recycling Depot and when is it open?](#)
4. [How do I get involved with Newton Recycling?](#)

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## Recycling Updates...Yard Waste, Recycle More Paper, Hazardous Waste...

**Yard Waste collection will resume the week of March 13**, weather pending. Tips: leaves must be placed in a paper leaf bag or in barrels marked "YARD WASTE" (stickers available at City Hall). DO NOT place nails, wire, hoses, plastic, or trash in your yard waste containers. Branches must not

protrude from the container and containers should weight less than 50 lbs.

**Recycle More Paper.** It's working! Thanks to citizen efforts, we are recycling 52% of our paper. We have recycled 170 more tons than the same period last year. This is an increase of 3.6%. And our trash is down 640 tons! Keep up the good work to

help us reach our goal of recycling 60% of our paper.

**Household Hazardous Waste collections.** Bring us your old cleaners and pesticides. Collections will resume in May at the Recycling Depot., please check back on our website for exact dates. For a complete list of ac-

cepted materials, non-toxic alternatives, and household tips, visit our website.

**Appliance Pick Up.** If you have a large appliance to dispose of, please call Customer Service at 617.796.1000 to schedule a free pick up. Or, you can bring it to the Recycling Depot.

