

Nassau County Household Hazardous Waste Collection Post-Event News Release

For Immediate Release

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The Results Are In! Nassau County Residents Properly Dispose of More Than 31.1 Tons of Hazardous Waste!

Keep Nassau Beautiful and Nassau County Solid Waste organize event to enable residents in environmentally responsible disposal of household hazardous waste.

Yulee, Florida, December 7, 2019 – More than 440 Nassau County residents properly disposed of more than 31.1 tons of household hazardous waste and donated more than 600 lbs. of non-perishable food to Barnabas Food Pantry during Nassau County's largest collection event to date.

The collection event which was held in Yulee found residents lining up along Courtney Isle Way prior to gates opening at 8:00am. Nassau County Sherriff's Department was on hand to ensure smooth and efficient traffic flow. While residents waited in line, Nassau County Solid Waste and Keep Nassau Beautiful confirmed residency, clarified the drop off process, and educated residents on upcoming beautification events in Nassau County. Items collected during the event include electronics, batteries, propane tanks, pesticides, solvents, chemicals, fertilizers, fuels and oil, corrosives, household cleaners, aerosol cans, and paints. Hazardous waste, if not disposed of properly, can cause landfill contamination, create a potential health risk to people and can threaten our environment, eventually contaminating our groundwater, rivers, and lakes. Visit www.keepnassaubeautiful.org for Disposal and Recycling Information.

Residents are encouraged to dispose of household hazardous waste during a collection event. The next Nassau County event will be held April 19, 2020 at the Callahan Convenience Recycling Center, 8:30am - Noon. Fernandina Beach will be holding their next event on April 19, 2020, and plan to include a neighborhood cleanup on the same day.

"Keep Nassau Beautiful would like to remind residents that latex paint is not considered a hazardous waste once it is solidified. Add cat litter to the latex paint can and leave the lid off to allow the mixture to solidify. Once solid the can and solidified contents may be disposed of during trash collection," said Lynda Bell, Keep Nassau Beautiful Executive Director.

Keep Nassau Beautiful, Inc. is working to inspire, educate, and equip individuals, groups, businesses and governments to take action to make Nassau County a place where residents, visitors and wildlife can thrive and experience the beauty of Nassau County. www.keepnassaubeautiful.org



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Unloading vehicles during the Nassau County Household Hazardous Waste Collection.

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