

Make everyday Earth Day - Green your Choices - Save Resources - Be Happy



## September's Sharefest's Recyclepalooza!

While Labor Day may mark the end of Summer in our minds, those sunny days are always here when we are being "green!" Clean out the basement, garage, under the sink and the medicine cabinet and bring all that unwanted clutter to Sharefest on Saturday, Sept. 9. Opportunities to learn more about our water and how the sun can power your home are also on the horizon!

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## Two September Household Hazardous Waste Events

September 9, 2017 as part of the Sharefest Event and Saturday, September 30, 2017 in Park Forest the County will offer residents an opportunity to clean out hazardous chemicals, from auto fluids to pesticides and cleaning products. For a list of items accepted please visit our [calendar of events](#).



## Sharefest Recyclepalooza

**Saturday, September 9, 2017 8am to 3pm**  
Spencer School Parking Lots  
1701 S. Spencer Road  
New Lenox, IL 60458

Recycling is another way to save natural resources, reduce energy use and conserve water - all while preventing pollution! This event accepts all types of electronics including Computers, TVs (limit 2 per vehicle), Printers,



Radios, Phones, Cameras, VCRs, Microwaves, Speakers, String Lights, Digital Clocks, Power Tools, Vacuums, Blenders, Electric Razors and more! Please bring an ID to show Will County area residency.

All American Recycling is providing a scrap metal dumpster for unwanted metal that isn't taken in curbside recycling, such as hangers, bent nails, car parts, pipes, broken wrenches, metal doors and more. Any financial proceeds from the scrap are donated to Sharefest for volunteers to do small repairs for residents with limited resources or suffering disabilities. In this way, your scrap metal funds improvements to the community.

Foam plastic (often referred to as Styrofoam) will be accepted and recycled through DART. They will have a truck to take unwanted, rinsed meat trays, cups, formed packaging (no peanuts), and broken foam coolers.

K Hoving, now Lakeshore Recycling, will have dumpsters for wood recycling. This includes plain, painted and treated lumber, wood and scraps. Non-clean wood will generate energy through bio-mass.

American Flags in torn, worn or otherwise poor condition, will be accepted to be ceremoniously destroyed by the Boy Scouts. Blankets, pet toys will also be accepted for the animal shelter and food donations will be accepted for the Food Pantry. Sharefest organizers will be accepting clothing, home goods (including toys, utensils, glassware), books, towels, bikes and more.

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## Shredding Event offered at Bank

The **Saturday, September 9, 2017 from 9:30-11:30am**, at their **836 Laraway Road** location. Please bring confidential papers with social security, bank or credit card numbers on them. This event is not intended for junk mail, magazines or newspaper without confidential information. Limit of 2 boxes per household. All shredded paper will be recycled.



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## Giveaway Day - Sept 16!

In Joliet, at the Forest Park Community Center, on September 16, the Sharefest organizers will be giving away books, clothing and home goods as well as offer some free dental exams and health screenings. For more info, please visit the [Sharefest website](#) event page.



## Come out for Bio-Blitz 2017!

On September 16, learn more about our local water. Sample and identify aquatic organisms in Hickory Creek streams. In addition to sampling, the public is invited to tours of Joliet's Washington Street drinking water treatment plant, touch a truck, catch basin activity, and cook-out. For all the details, please visit the [website](#).



## National Public Lands Day!

Consider Volunteering and Learning more about our Forest Preserves. National Public Lands Day is being celebrated at [Isle a la Cache Museum on Sept. 23, 8 am to Noon!](#) Residents of all ages (children accompanied by adults) are invited to participate in this event.



## Sign Up to be an Earth Flag School!

If you are a teacher, administrator or volunteer at a school, consider signing up for our Earth Flag program. It is FREE and most schools meet the majority of requirements already. We make it simple to be recognized for your green efforts and assist you with adding a few more educational environmental projects! Click [here for more info!](#)



## Electronics Only - Oct 7 - Shorewood

Will County and A-Team Recycling are partnering on Saturday, October 7 to offer the last Saturday collection of electronics for 2017. The event will be from 8am-1pm at 304 Gregory Ct, Shorewood. We will accept all the items that are banned and much more. For a full list, visit our website [electronics page](#).



## Save with Solar!

The best way to learn about putting solar panels on your roof or property is to talk to someone that has done it. Every year some people volunteer to provide their experience and insights as part of the [Illinois Solar Tour](#). This year's event will be on Saturday, Oct. 7 and includes homes in Aurora, Minooka, Naperville, Plainfield, Woodridge, and surrounding areas. Mark your calendar for this FREE event!



## Improving Will County's Recycling; see the Plan & Comment!

Residents, businesses, non-profits and other units of government are encouraged to read the DRAFT Solid Waste Plan Update and send comments. Be part of the future, send your comments of endorsement or suggestions for changes to RRE's Dean Olson and Marta Keane at [DOlson@willcountygreen.com](mailto:DOlson@willcountygreen.com) and [MKeane@willcountygreen.com](mailto:MKeane@willcountygreen.com). The Plan is available on the [willcountygreen.com](http://willcountygreen.com) website and comments will be accepted through October 22, 2017.



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## Upcoming Events

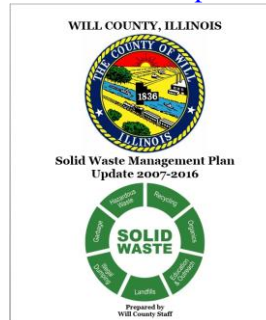
### Sharefest's RECYCLPALOOZA

Spencer School  
New Lenox  
Sat, September 9  
8am - 3pm

### Household Hazardous Waste Collection

Continental Midland  
Parking Lot  
Park Forest  
Sat, September 30  
8am - 3pm

### Comment on the Solid Waste Plan Update



### Electronics Only Collection

A-Team's Site  
304 Gregory Ct  
Shorewood  
Sat, October 7  
8am - 1pm

### Pumpkin Pitch & Document Shredding

Lewis University  
Romeoville  
Sat, November 4  
9am - 1pm

### Household Hazardous Waste Collection

Families of Faith  
Church Parking Lot  
Channahon  
Sat, November 11  
8am - 3pm

### America Recycles Day

November 15

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