

# Neighbor

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## News from Waste Management at the Williamson County Landfill

### Celebrate Earth Day – Every Day!

Wednesday, April 22 is Earth Day, a great reminder that we all need to do our part to recycle, reuse and reduce waste. Williamson County and Waste Management make it easy for residents to celebrate Earth Day every day with the Recycling Center at the Williamson County Landfill.

And thanks to Sam Jones, recycling is a lot more enjoyable for Williamson County residents.

Sam, who has been with Waste Management for nearly four years, runs the Recycling Center at the Williamson County Landfill. Sam



Sam Jones

greet customers eagerly with a smile and lends a friendly hand when customers need help unloading items. He has set up the recycling center so it is super easy to drive through and customers know exactly where to place recycled items.

Using the baler that compresses and packages cardboard, Sam started a new program to bale recycled plastic

and aluminum, freeing up more space for recycled items.

“Sam always has a smile, provides great customer service, and is always friendly,” says Williamson County resident

Lisi Chuey. “I stop by almost every week to recycle, and in this day and time, it is so nice to have such a happy and friendly helping hand. Just wanted to say thank you – it really makes a difference.”

Married with four children, Sam enjoys watching football, tinkering with mechanics and doing activities with his children. Sam shares his love of children with the many groups of school children, Scouts and others who tour the landfill and Recycling Center – he is happy to teach young people about the importance of recycling for managing waste and helping the environment.



Sam Jones and Lisi Chuey

### Drop Off Household Hazardous Waste at FREE Collection Event

Williamson County, the City of Cedar Park and Waste Management invite county residents to drop off their hazardous household products at the April 25 FREE collection event at LISD's Gupton Stadium (Gupton Way and E. Park Street). From 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., residents can bring household hazardous wastes to the collection event for proper disposal.



Below is the list of accepted and not accepted items:

#### ACCEPTED

- Acids
- Aluminum and others metals for recycling
- Antifreeze
- Batteries
- Brush for recycling
- Cell phones, telephones
- Cleaning products such as polish, over cleaner, drainer opener, stain remover
- E-Waste (monitors, computers, printers)
- Household products labeled “caution,” “warning” or “poison”
- Lawn and garden chemicals, herbicides and pesticides
- Lighter fluid, solvents and varnish
- Paint (limit of 5 gallons per car)
- Pool chemicals
- Tires (car and light trucks, up to 24”, rims moved, limit 5 tires per car)
- Transmission and brake fluid
- Used motor oil and filters

#### NOT ACCEPTED

- Agriculture chemicals
- Asbestos-containing material
- Containers larger than 5 gallons
- Dioxins
- Explosives, fireworks, ammunitions
- Industrial, commercial or business waste
- Medical and pharmaceutical items
- Propane cylinders of any kind and compressed gases
- Radioactive materials (smoke alarms)
- Tires with rims



See *Guidelines* on back page

#### Williamson County Landfill

600 Landfill Road  
Phone: (512) 759-8881 Fax (512) 759-5004

#### Landfill Hours

Monday through Friday: 7 a.m. – 5 p.m.  
Saturday: 7 a.m. – noon  
Sunday: Closed

#### Hutto Recycling Center Hours

Monday through Friday:  
7:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.  
Saturday: 7:00 a.m. – Noon  
Sunday: Closed  
(512) 846-2756



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Buddy Till, Landfill Manager

## Dear Neighbors,

Happy Spring! We hope you're enjoying the beautiful weather and before you know it, summer will be here.

If you are busy with spring cleaning or preparing for a summer move and plan to bring debris to the landfill, please remember to properly cover your truck or trailer. We all need to do our part to prevent windblown litter or highway hazards.

- Use a tarp big enough to completely cover the side, front and back of your trailer or truck bed.

- Tightly secure the tarp with ropes, bungee cords, netting or straps.
- Put lighter items at the bottom of the load.
- When transporting large items, make sure they are tied down and secured to the truck or trailer so they don't move.
- Make sure your truck or trailer bed does not have a hole, crack or other opening where debris can escape.

Have a great summer!  
Buddy Till



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## Household Hazardous Waste Event, *cont'd from front*

### Drop-off Guidelines

- Bring products in original containers if possible
- Separate, group and label items
- Properly seal containers to prevent leaking
- Do not mix or consolidate products
- Haul containers in trunk or truck bed, away from passengers
- Go through the line only once
- No walk-ups
- Please let volunteers unload your items
- No contractor or business refuse will be accepted



## WANTED: Pollinator Garden Volunteers

Got a green thumb? The Williamson County Good Water Master Naturalists and Native Plant Society members welcome any residents who would like to volunteer to help maintain the Williamson County Landfill pollinator garden.

They are looking for volunteers to weed, mulch, label plants and clean up the garden. If interested, please email Marilyn Perz at [dmperz@thegateway.net](mailto:dmperz@thegateway.net).

And even if you don't have time to volunteer – visit the pollinator garden to see all the native plants and flowers, which will soon start to bloom.