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News From Waste Management at the Williamson County Landfill

Start a New Tradition by Making Your Holidays “Green” This Year

Waste Management challenges its customers and neighbors to start a new tradition that will bring new meaning to their traditional holiday celebrations. Here are a few ways to reduce, reuse and recycle during the holidays:

- Use reusable bags when shopping for your holiday gifts or food: Paper bag production consumes more than 14 million trees annually in the U.S. so by using reusable bags you are reducing the amount of paper bags used.
- Use eco-friendly decorations: With a little imagination, you can create your own “green” decorations and have a lot of fun in the process. Consider using elements from nature, such as pine cones, fresh trees, garland or wreaths which can be composted after the holidays.
- Everyone loves a good holiday party: You can become the most eco-conscious host or hostess this year by hosting a party that uses washable utensils, plates, glasses, napkins, and table covers. And, don’t forget to set up a recycling bin that can be used for bottles, cans, and paper.
- Invite the neighbors: Inviting your neighbors to share your eco-friendly holiday is an opportunity to reduce the amount of waste generated through hosting two holiday meals and is a great way to save your neighbors from making a road trip to visit family members that live far away.
- Reduce, recycle: Reduce the overall amount of waste you may produce during the holidays by purchasing only as much as you need and selecting products that have less packaging or can be recycled.

“We would like to remind our communities that there are always opportunities to conserve every day, especially during the holiday season,” said Scott Colwell, Landfill Operations Manager for Williamson County Landfill. “At Waste Management, we’re working to find the most efficient and forward-thinking approach to handling waste. With the help of our communities, all of us can help protect the environment and improve the quality of life on the planet we share.”

More “Green” Tips for After the Holiday Meal



Compost your food scraps.



Freeze excess leftovers.



Create new meals using
leftovers.



Donate uncooked food to
someone or an organization
in need.

Williamson County Landfill

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Landfill Hours

Monday- Friday: 7 AM to 5 PM
Saturday: 7 AM to Noon
Sunday: Closed

Hutto Recycling Center Hours

Monday - Friday: 7 AM to 5 PM
Saturday: 7 AM to Noon
Sunday: Closed
(512) 846-7256



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Dear Neighbors,

It's hard to believe that 2017 has almost come to an end. Even though the holidays are right around the corner, it has been business as usual at the landfill. We just recently completed one of our two annual HHW events for the year. On Sept. 30th, at the Williamson County Expo center, with the help of Stericycle and all of the attending Williamson County residents, we managed to recycle 15-tons of household hazardous waste (HHW). This was a phenomenal effort on all parts involved, and it's events like these that help to educate our community on the safe disposal of household hazardous wastes, as well as helping to secure a brighter, greener future for all. We are in the process of planning our next HHW event. Keep an eye out for the spring newsletter, in which we will announce the date and location of that event.



The next six months will be extremely busy here at the landfill. We will be constructing two new, state-of-the-art landfill cells, which will house the next 36-48 months of waste generated here in Williamson County. This new construction will ensure several things, an environmentally safe and compliant area to dispose of county generated waste, as well as a steady and continuing source of revenue for the county. It's projects like these that get me excited for the future here at Williamson County Landfill.

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Williamson County Landfill

600 Landfill Road
Hutto, TX 78634



FREE TREE RECYCLING

Stop by Williamson County Landfill from December 26th to January 10th, Monday- Friday from 7 AM to 5 PM, and Saturday from 7AM to Noon to recycle your Christmas tree. The trees must have all decorations, ornaments, tinsel, lights and stands removed. For more information, please feel free to contact the Williamson Community Landfill at 512-759-8881.

As a friendly reminder, the Williamson County Landfill will be closed on December 25th for Christmas Day and on January 1st for New Years Day. For more information, please visit Williamsoncounty.org or williamsoncountylandfill.wm.com.

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In closing, we wish you and your family a safe, happy holiday season. More often than not, we find ourselves getting into a hurry at home and on the roads during this time of the year. I would like to encourage everyone to slow down and use their best judgment to avoid dangerous situations when they are behind the wheel or at home. As always, if you have any questions or concerns, don't hesitate to call me.

-Scott Colwell

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