

APRIL RECYCLING EVENTS and UPDATES

NEWS FLASH!

The Northwest New Mexico Regional Solid Waste Authority is now accepting **ALL #1 and #2 PLASTICS!** We appreciate that the Solid Waste Authority is working with the recycled plastic vendors to expand what can be diverted from the landfill. This is a big step for local recycling. Let's make it work!

For this to be beneficial for the SWA to produce a product that is marketable please make sure you check the number on your plastic bottle or container (found on the bottom or on the rim) and clean before placing it in the PLASTIC bin at one of the *three city recycling centers. The mistake made most frequently is with #5 and #7 plastic bottles. These often look like #2 plastics. The culprits are items like margarine & cottage cheese containers and Arizona Tea bottles (#5s). Other tea brands and many shampoo bottles are #7s. Also, please **NO PLASTIC BAGS** of ANY KIND. Recycle your #2 and #4 plastic bags at Albertson's, Lowe's, Safeway, or Walmart.

IT'S PHONE BOOK SEASON!

Remember To Recycle Your Old Telephone Books In The Mixed Paper Bins.

EARTH DAY FAIR

WEDNESDAY APRIL 22

3:00 - 6:00 pm

La Montanita Co-op Food Market – 105 East Coal

The McKinley Citizens' Recycling Council will join other area environmental groups at the Co-op to raise awareness about what citizens of Planet Earth can do to make for a healthier, cleaner, and more sustainable environment.

GRAND OPENING – RECYCLED RESOURCE CENTER

SATURDAY APRIL 18

11:00 am – 1:00 pm

Larry Brian Mitchell Recreation Center

The McKinley Citizens' Recycling Council has a small trailer for recycled items for use by educators in our area. Stop by to see the variety of items available for classroom arts and crafts. Accepting donations.

The trailer was a generous donation made by the NWNM Regional Solid Waste Authority in support of the McKinley Citizens' Recycling Council. Special thanks to Billy Moore, Executive Director SWA for providing refreshments for this event.

**LAST RESIDENTIAL CURBSIDE RECYCLING MEETING
WEDNESDAY APRIL 29**

6:00 pm

Jefferson Elementary School - 300 Mollica Drive (Mossman)

Public comment is being solicited as the City of Gallup explores the feasibility of initiating a Residential Curbside Recycling Program. Citizens are encouraged to attend to find out more about this initiative and what it means for Gallup. For more information contact: Elizabeth Barriga, City Water Conservation Coordinator, 863-1393.

**RECYCLING IN THE 21ST CENTURY: A Teachers' Workshop
FRIDAY JUNE 5**

Mark your calendars now! Details forthcoming on this free workshop for educators in area public and private schools. Limited enrollment.

**RECYCLED ART CONTEST FOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CHILDREN
Coming Fall – 2015 *Stayed tuned!***

For more information about recycling in Gallup-McKinley County go to the McKinley Citizens' Recycling Council web site www.recyclegallup.org or call a MCRC volunteer at 870-1314 or 905-5966.

***RECYCLING CENTERS IN GALLUP**

Location and Hours of Operation

MWF 8-Noon Cultural Center / Train Station, 201 E. Highway 66

MWF Noon-4 Larry Brian Mitchell Recreation Center, 701 Montoya Blvd.

SAT 10-2 Larry Brian Mitchell Recreation Center, 701 Montoya Blvd.

+Accepting Corrugated Cardboard, Greyboard (like cereal boxes)

+Tin/Steel Cans (rinsed / labels okay)

+Plastic ALL #1& #2 (rinsed / *lids removed)

*Plastic Lids can also be placed in a separate grocery type bag and given to the MCRC volunteer on Saturday duty. These will be given to area teachers.

+ Mixed Paper (junk mail, catalogs, magazines, white/colored and newspaper.

+Aluminum Beverage Cans, Clean Foil, and Pie Plates can be placed in a plastic grocery type bag (or other) and placed in the Steel/Tin bin.

M-SAT 8-4:30 Gallup Transfer Station, 107 Hasler Valley Road

Accepting ALL OF THE ABOVE except *plastic lids.

Accepting Electronics, Small Appliances, including Microwaves

Call 863-5776 or go to www.recyclegallup.org for a complete list of items.

GLASS is not accepted in Gallup-McKinley County at this time. The cities of Albuquerque (761-8100 or www.cabq.gov/solidwaste), Farmington (327.6284), and Flagstaff (520.779.7621) accept bottle glass.