October 5 is “Fall Recycling Day” for Penfield Residents and a Bike Donation for R Community Bikes

~ Secure document shredding, metals/appliance recycling, brush disposal at DPW; bike donation at Penfield Community Center ~

PENFIELD, N.Y., SEPTEMBER 11, 2019 – The Town of Penfield will host two recycling themed events on Saturday, October 5: Fall Recycling Day for town residents and a general bike collection for R Community Bikes.

Penfield residents may participate in a one-day recycling event on Saturday, October 5, from 7:00 AM to 3:30 PM at the Department of Public Works Complex, 1607 Jackson Road. Services for the day are secure document destruction, metals and appliance recycling, brush disposal (no leaves or grass), and clothing and linens donations. There will be NO ELECTRONICS collection at this event.

“Residents regularly speak to me about the importance of having a secure way to dispose of sensitive and confidential paper documents, and some homeowners request seasonal weekend access to the DPW to drop off brush and limbs,” said Supervisor Tony LaFountain. “Fall Recycling Day provides these services and has gained popularity over the years as residents look to clean up and dispose of sensitive papers, get rid of metals and appliances that should never go into a landfill, and clear property of brush and limbs before winter. All of us must act to reduce landfill waste; reuse through donations of clothing, furniture and building materials; and recycle when it is the only option.”

Fall Recycling Day is for Penfield residents only. Proof of residency will be checked at the gate. Please direct questions to the Department Public Works, (585) 340-8710, Monday–Friday from 7:00 AM to 3:30 PM.

Event Resources:
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- Eco-Green Park certified document destruction (www.eco-greenpark.com)
- Alpco metals recycling (see www.alpcorecycling.com/metal-recycling.html#ferrous for metals that will be accepted)
- St. Pauly Textile Shed on site year-round
- DPW will also accept brush (no leaves or grass) on site.

Also on October 5, the Town of Penfield and Penfield Rotary are hosting a bicycle collection event for R Community Bikes from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM at the Penfield Community Center, 1985 Baird Road. R Community Bikes (RCB) is a grassroots, 501(c)3 organization, staffed entirely by volunteers, that collects and repairs used bicycles for distribution free of charge to the Rochester area’s most needy children and adults. RCB gives away more than 2,000 bicycles every year and makes thousands of repairs for their clients, many of whom depend on bicycles as their main source of transportation. All donations of bikes, bike parts, and tools are welcome. Learn more at www.rcommunitybikes.org/

**Additional resources:**

To dispose of items NOT collected at this event, county residents have access to Monroe County’s year-round **Ecopark** facility located at 10 Avion Drive near the airport. Ecopark is a joint effort between Monroe County and Waste Management that provides county residents with a “one-stop drop-off” to dispose of or recycle many items including hard Styrofoam packing material (not foam trays used for meat or produce), TVs/electronics (fee-based), cooking oil/grease, fluorescent lights, clothing, sharps and syringes, and more. Ecopark also offers many special collection days for household hazardous waste and pharmaceutical and medication disposal. For current information on recycling opportunities, operating hours, schedules, and fee-based items go to www.monroecounty.gov/ecopark.

To dispose of **televisions and electronics** look for sponsored electronic collection events at providers like www.suneking.com or contact retailers that sell those products. Do not leave on curb, New York State law prohibits trash haulers from collecting electronic waste.

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**Locations**

- Resident-only Fall Recycling Day: DPW Complex, 1607 Jackson Road, Penfield NY 14526  
- Bike donation: Penfield Community Center, 1985 Baird Road, Penfield NY 14526