

Special Material Program Details



Many of the materials collected as part of SWANCC's residential "special material programs" have recoverability, recyclability or require special disposal for environmental concerns. This is a list of the programs, guidelines and contact information for each vender. Program coordinators schedule their frequency of pick-up with each respective vender (where applicable).

Only residents that live in member Agency communities are eligible to participate and IDs should be checked when materials are being dropped off. Absolutely no materials should be accepted from businesses, schools or institutions. Thank you for your cooperation!

Green Pages Directory:

Be sure to visit <http://www.swancc.org/recycling/green-pages-directory> for a list of over 1,000 items that can be reused, recycled or safely disposed.

SWANCC's Green Pages Directory lists reuse opportunities for books, clothing, office equipment, sporting goods, toys and other materials. This guide also provides information on various aspects of recycling and waste, featuring sections for appliances, batteries, construction debris, electronics, office machines, cartridges, metals, motor oil and many other items.

There are also online avenues to divert materials from the waste stream such as freecycle.org, that are used to post items to be purchased or picked-up for free.



SWANCC Special Material Programs Contacts and Program Details

Batteries (flyer provided):

Vender: Interstate Batteries
Contact: Jim Demos
Email: jim@isbchicagoland.com
Phone: (847) 673-6993

Household alkaline and rechargeable batteries are accepted at two locations and can be dropped off by municipal staff during regular business hours. Batteries should be from individuals, not collected in aggregate from schools. Be sure to tape the terminals of rechargeable batteries prior to dropping off at either location. Do Not drop off lead-acid car or boat batteries at the GTS, but arrangements can be made with Interstate Batteries at their Skokie location.

SWANCC's Glenview Transfer Station (GTS)
1151 N. River Road
Des Plaines, IL 60016
Mon – Fri, 6 am to 4 pm
Sat, 6 am to noon

Interstate Batteries
8056 N. Central Park Avenue
Skokie, IL 60076
(847) 673-6993

Electronics:

Vender: COM2 Recycling Solutions
Contact: Donna Vojensky
Phone: (815) 254-3535
Email: donna@com2recycling.com

SWANCC provides two on-going permanent drop-off locations in Glenview and Winnetka and two seasonal drop-off locations in Hoffman Estates and Mt. Prospect (April through October). Collection locations will be closed on National holidays – see swancc.org for details. Additionally, one-day events are scheduled from April through October. Do not drop off electronics other than during posted dates and times. Thank you for your cooperation.

Glenview Transfer Station

1151 N River Road, Des Plaines
Across from the Maryville Academy
Saturdays: 9:00 am - 11:30 am

Hoffman Estates Village Hall

1900 Hassell Road
Mondays: 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Winnetka Public Works

1390 Willow Road
Thursdays: 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Mount Prospect Public Works

1700 W Central Road
Wednesdays: 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Acceptable Electronics

- Answering Machines
- Cable Receivers
- Calculators
- Camcorders
- Cameras
- Cell Phones
- Computer Cables
- Computer Monitors
- Computers (Desktop, Notebook, Tablet)
- Converter Boxes
- Copy Machines
- Fax Machines
- Microwaves
- Mice or Keyboards
- MP3 Players
- Portable Digital Assistants (PDAs)
- Postage Machines
- Power Tools/Cords
- Printers (Multi-function Printers)
- Satellite Receivers
- Scanners
- Shredders
- Small Appliances (Toasters, Blenders)
- Stereo Equipment (No Wood Speakers)
- Telephones
- Televisions (Tube, Flatscreen)
- Typewriters
- Video Game Consoles
- Video Recorders/Players
- Zip Drives

Holiday Lights:

Vender: Elgin Recycling
Contact: Jaclyn Kepp
Email: jkepp@elginrecycling.com
Phone: (847) 741-4100

There is no cost to participate in this program and coordination is done directly through Elgin Recycling. Please let SWANCC staff know if you are participating with the address of the drop-off location, and the duration of the program.

Pharmaceuticals and Sharps (brochure provided):

Vender: Daniels Health
 Contact: Kathy Saegar, Routing Supervisor
 Email: ksaegar@danielshealth.com
 Contact: Matthew Peterson, Manager – for more containers
 Email: mpeterson@danielshealth.com
 Phone: (262) 504-5725

Acceptable medications include over-the-counter, non-controlled medications. Please see the list below of substances that are prohibited in SWANCC’s program by the DEA, and can be taken to a Police Station in conjunction with the Save-a-Star program. Visit <http://www.saveastar.org/pages/mailboxes.html> for the nearest location.

Most Common Controlled Substances

Actiq® (fentanyl citrate)	Oxycontin® (Oxycodone)
Tequin® Tablets (gatifloxacin)	Reyataz® Capsules (atazanavir sulfate)
Daytrana™ Transdermal Patch (methylphenidate)	Avinza® capsules (morphine sulfate)
Zerit® for Oral Solution (stavudine)	Xyrem® (Sodium oxybate)
Duragesic® Transdermal System (fentanyl)	Baraclude® tablets (entecavir)
Meperidine HCl tablets	Fentora® (fentanyl buccal tablet)
	Percocet® (oxycodone and acetaminophen)

Visit www.deadiversion.usdoj.gov/schedules/index.html for more information.

Sharps:

Needles (sharps) used by residents for various purposes need to be placed in a red biohazard container, which SWANCC provides to residents at no cost. Program coordinators can order a supply of 1-quart or 1-gallon containers through Medline – details below.

If a resident brings sharps to the municipal drop-off in a container from home, make sure that it is a rigid plastic laundry detergent bottle with a lid or a coffee can and instruct staff NOT TO TOUCH the container. The resident can place their container into the bin provided by Daniels Health. You can always send the resident home with SWANCC-provided biohazard containers for the transfer of their sharps – to bring back. Safety first!

Sharps Containers:

Vender: Medline
Contact: Amelia O'Bert
Email: aobert@medline.com
Phone: (844) 634-0410
SWANCC ID Number: #1440861

Fluorescent Light Bulbs and Mercury Items (flyer and brochure provided):

Vender: Everlights
Contact: Toye Adefeso
Email: tadefeso@everlights.com
Phone: (773) 734-9873, ext. 218

This program is for any residentially-generated light bulb that contains mercury, as in compact florescent light bulbs (CFLs) that come in many shapes and sizes. Communities have the option of accepting 4' and 8' fluorescent light tubes as well. Do Not accept incandescent bulbs, as they contain no mercury and can be thrown away in the garbage.

Everlights also recycles mercury-containing items, such as thermometers, wall switches and thermostats. A separate collection container is provided to participating communities.

Questions?

Contact: Mary S. Allen, SWANCC Recycling and Education Director
Email: mary@swancc.org
Phone: (847) 724-9205, ext. 204

Contact: Lisa Woody, Assistant to the Executive Director
Email: lisa@swancc.org
Phone: (847) 724-9205, ext. 203

Agency Website: www.swancc.org

Battery Recycling Program



GUIDELINES:

- This program is only for household batteries from electronics and small devices.
- At this drop-off, batteries can only be accepted from individual residents – NOT in large amounts collected from organizations, schools or special events.
- Schools, institutions, or businesses must contact a battery recycler for their materials – see SWANCC's Green Pages Reuse and Recycling Directory at swancc.org for vendors.

ACCEPTABLE BATTERIES:

- RECHARGABLE – NiCd, NiMh, lithium ion, lithium polymer
- Each rechargeable battery must have masking tape on contact points or be placed in individual self-locking plastic bags to reduce the risk of a fire.
- ALKALINE – AA, AAA, C, D, 9V



NON-ACCEPTABLE BATTERIES:

- LEAD-ACID
(car or marine)
- SUMP PUMP
- COMMERCIAL or INDUSTRIAL-TYPE



Thank you for your participation and cooperation!



Visit interstatebatteries.com.

Fluorescent Light Bulb Recycling Program



GUIDELINES:

- This program is for spent household Compact Fluorescent Light Bulbs (CFLs) and 4' or 8' fluorescent light tubes (from SWANCC residents' households).
- DO NOT drop-off Incandescent Light Bulbs – the old fashion 60 – 75 – 100 Watt bulbs that get hot to the touch. These light bulbs do not contain mercury or any other hazardous materials and can be thrown away in the garbage can
- Schools, institutions and businesses must contact a fluorescent light bulb recycler for their materials – see SWANCC's Green Pages Reuse and Recycling Directory at swancc.org for vendors.
- Fluorescent light bulbs can also be recycled at retail stores.

ACCEPTABLE BULBS:

- Compact Fluorescent Bulbs and Tubes



NON-ACCEPTABLE BULBS:

- Incandescent bulbs
- Halogen bulbs



SWANCC also offers a Holiday Light Recycling Program. Contact Elgin Recycling at (847) 741-4100 for details.

Thank you for your participation and cooperation!

SWANCC Member Communities

The SWANCC-sponsored recycling program is for residentially-generated spent Compact Fluorescent Light Bulbs (CFLs) from SWANCC-member community households.

Arlington Heights	Mount Prospect
Barrington	Niles
Buffalo Grove	Palatine
Elk Grove Village	Park Ridge
Evanston	Prospect Heights
Glencoe	Rolling Meadows
Glenview	Skokie
Hoffman Estates	South Barrington
Inverness	Wheeling
Kenilworth	Wilmette
Lincolnwood	Winnetka
Morton Grove	

CFLs can also be recycled at retail stores.

See the Green Pages Directory at swancc.org for more information details.

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Battery Recycling
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Document Destruction Events
Electronics Recycling
Holiday Lights Recycling
Mercury Thermometer Recycling
Pharmaceuticals and Sharps Disposal

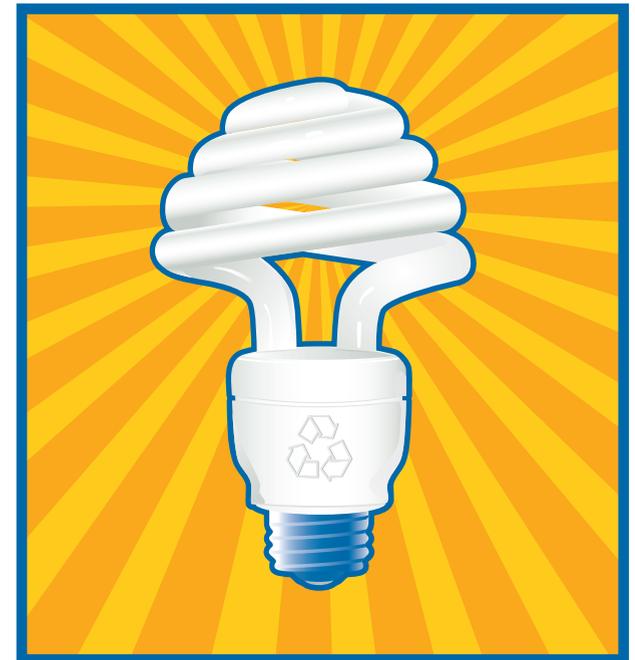
Resources

Books and Media for Loan
Closing the Loop Brochure
Eco-Cleaning Guide
Eco-Landscaping Guide
Eco-Friendly Marketplace Guide
Elist for Educators
Elist for Residents
Green Pages Directory
Informational Videos
Waste Reduction Solutions Brochure

Only residents that live in a SWANCC member community are eligible to participate in the Agency's programs. Resources can be downloaded at swancc.org. Contact SWANCC by emailing info@swancc.org or call (847) 724-9205.



Compact Fluorescent Light (CFL) Bulb Recycling Program



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Compact Fluorescent Lightbulbs (CFL)

BENEFITS OF COMPACT FLUORESCENT LIGHTBULBS



The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency recommends the use of CFLs when compared to incandescent bulbs for the following reasons:

- They produce the same amount of light, but use 2/3 less energy and last 10 times longer.
- Each CFL bulb can save you at least \$25 in energy costs over the life of the bulb.
- CFLs produce about 70% less heat than standard incandescent bulbs and are cool to the touch.
- CFLs reduce air pollution for a cleaner environment. If every IL household replaced one incandescent bulb with an 18-watt CFL, the results would be equivalent to:
 - ... removing 294,000 tons of carbon emissions from the air;
 - ... planting 39.4 million trees;
 - ... removing over 74,000 vehicles from Illinois roads each year.

This information is taken from the Dept. of Commerce and Economic Opportunity.

DANGERS OF CFLS

Each CFL contains a small amount of mercury sealed within the glass tubing – an average of 5 milligrams (roughly equivalent to the tip of a ball-point pen). Mercury poses potential health risks, therefore the CFLs should not be disposed of in the garbage if there is a recycling option.

HOW DO I PARTICIPATE IN SWANCC'S CFL PROGRAM?

Only residents that live in a SWANCC member community are eligible to participate. Visit swancc.org for a list of SWANCC-member communities that are providing a drop-off location for CFLs. Some will accept 4 foot fluorescent lamps. Bring spent bulbs in a zip-lock-type baggie for extra protection to a drop-off location during designated hours.

CFL RESOURCES

Information and resources on all sources of mercury can be found at epa.gov/mercury.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Do CFLs contain mercury?

CFLs contain about 5 milligrams (mg) of mercury sealed within the glass tubing. In comparison, an older oral thermometer contains 700 mg of mercury, 140 times the amount in a CFL.

What should I do with a CFL when it burns out?



Like paint, batteries, thermostats and other hazardous household items, CFLs should be disposed of properly.

To locate the nearest drop-off location and hours of operation for CFLs in your community, visit swancc.org.

There is currently no substitute for mercury in CFLs; however, manufacturers have taken significant steps to reduce mercury used in their fluorescent lighting products over the past decade.

Should I be concerned about using CFLs in my home?

CFLs are safe to use in your home. No mercury is released when the bulbs are in use and they pose no danger to you or your family when used properly.

CFLs are made of glass tubing and can break if dropped or roughly handled. Be careful when removing the lamp from its packaging, installing it or replacing it. Always screw and unscrew the lamp by its base and never forcefully twist the CFL into a light socket by its tubes.

Used CFLs should be disposed of properly using the guidelines stated above, please visit swancc.org for details.

The following tips are provided by the EPA and can be found at epa.gov/cflcleanup.

Tips to Remove and Replace a CFL

- Turn light switch off before removing the bulb
- Unscrew the bulb by holding the plastic or ceramic base, not the glass tubing
- Do not over-tighten bulb when replacing
- Never forcefully twist the glass tubing
- Consider placing a towel underneath area where CFL is being changed
- Do not use CFLs in locations where lamps can be knocked over

Tips to Clean Up a Broken CFL

1. If possible, open a window in the room for ventilation.
2. Sweep up the broken glass fragments and fine particles with a piece of cardboard and a damp paper towel.
3. Contain broken glass, cardboard and paper towel in a zip lock bag, then place in a brown bag marked "broken glass".
4. Place the double bags with above contents in the outside garbage can – do not sweep up or vacuum debris or put it in an inside garbage compactor.



SWANCC ELIST

Do not miss out on upcoming program opportunities and recycling events sponsored by SWANCC. Be on SWANCC's Elist and receive Agency information. Sign up online at swancc.org.

For more information about SWANCC and its many school and community programs and special material collections or events, visit swancc.org, email info@swancc.org or call the Agency at (847) 724-9205.

SWANCC

SWANCC provides a disposal program for prescription drug waste called the *Prescription Drug and Sharps Disposal Program* to:

- Ensure environmental safety
- Guard against potential theft associated with disposing of old medications
- For residentially-generated unused prescriptions, expired over-the-counter drugs, and needles known as “sharps”
- No commercial or institutional waste will be accepted
- No pharmaceutical controlled substances will be accepted at municipal locations - see reverse side for Save A Star and DEA options for controlled substances

Visit swancc.org, call SWANCC at (847) 724-9205 or email info@swancc.org for participating disposal locations.



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Resources

Books and Media for Loan
Closing the Loop Brochure
Eco-Cleaning Guide
Eco-Friendly Marketplace Guide
Eco-Landscaping Guide
Elist for Educators
Elist for Residents
Green Pages Directory
Informational Videos
Waste Reduction Solutions Brochure

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SWANCC Prescription Drug and Sharps Disposal Program



**Do not flush old medications
or put down the drain!**



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SWANCC's Disposal Program



This program is for residents that live in one of SWANCC's 23 member communities. No prescription drugs or sharps from businesses, schools or hospitals will be accepted. IDs will be checked for verification of residency.

General tips:

- Keep pharmaceuticals in their original containers with labels to identify contents.
- Sharps need to be placed in a rigid container with a carefully sealed lid. A new sharps container will be provided.

Acceptable Items:

- Unused/Expired prescription medications
- Expired over-the-counter medications
- Residential sharps (needles/syringes)

Unacceptable Items:

- Pharmaceutical Controlled Substances*
- Institutional or business waste
- Non-prescription liquids
- Household Chemical Waste

* The following programs allow for controlled substances:

- Save A Star Collection Program - saveastar.org
- DEA Take-Back Days - deadiversion.usdoj.gov/schedules
- Check with your local Police Department

Visit deadiversion.usdoj.gov for a list of the U.S. Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) regulated pharmaceuticals.

For Your Information

Dangers of medicine in the water system



Recent research conducted by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the U.S. Geological Survey found substantial amounts of antibiotics and steroidal hormones in rivers, lakes and wells from samples analyzed in 36 states. For more information, visit epa.gov/ppcp.

Dangers of needles in trash



According to the US Environmental Protection Agency, each year, 8 million people use more than 3 billion needles, syringes, and lancets, also called sharps, to manage medical conditions at home. Some sharps users throw their used needles in the trash or flush them down the toilet. Used sharps left loose among other waste can hurt sanitation workers during collection rounds, at sorting and recycling facilities and at landfills, or become lodged in equipment, forcing workers to remove them by hand.

Children, adults and even pets are also at risk for needle-stick injuries when sharps are disposed improperly at home or in public settings. For more information, visit epa.gov/osw.

Personal Sharps Containers



Any resident that lives in a SWANCC-member community and administers home injections is eligible to receive a 1 quart sharps container. Go to the designated prescription drug drop-off site in your community to request one.

For sources of facts and information, visit swancc.org.

SWANCC Communities

- Arlington Heights
- Barrington
- Buffalo Grove
- Elk Grove Village
- Evanston
- Glencoe
- Glenview
- Hoffman Estates
- Inverness
- Kenilworth
- Lincolnwood
- Morton Grove
- Mount Prospect
- Niles
- Palatine
- Park Ridge
- Prospect Heights
- Rolling Meadows
- Skokie
- South Barrington
- Wheeling
- Wilmette
- Winnetka

Program may be restricted to respective community's residents only. Please visit swancc.org for a listing of participating locations.

WHAT IS IN YOUR MEDICINE CABINET?

