

February 2021 Newsletter

We had a successful, contactless textile drive, and we look forward to hosting more events in the Spring. Learn more about Resilient Together and how to recycle takeout containers. We'd also like to highlight some local sustainable businesses!

Spring SalemRecycles Events

Welcome to 2021! As we continue to navigate the pandemic, recycling and repurposing are as important as ever. We've adjusted our spring schedule to maximize community events in a safe, contact-free way. You'll note that E-waste continues on its regular, quarterly schedule. Instead of an in-person Book Swap, we're excited to host another curbside Free Book Day. And for the first time, we'll hold a spring Textile Drive in place of our usual Swap 'N' Drop.

E-Waste Collection March 27 @ 8:00 am Location TBD

Salem residents & property owners (with ID or tax bill) can recycle e-waste at this event. Please stay in your vehicle the whole time and have your items ready to unload in your trunk, truck bed or hatchback – items



will not be unloaded from car seats. Please wear a face covering and have your cash or check ready for certain items. Facebook event found <u>here</u>. More details on the event at <u>greensalem</u>.

Free Book Day April 10 @ 9:00 am Citywide Event

In lieu of Book Swap, residents will be invited to gift books from in front of their own homes! Check <u>here</u> closer to the event to see the map of participating homes. To participate reach out to mguglielmi@salem.com.



Textiles & TerraCycle Recycling Drive May 1 @ 8am - 1pm Riley Plaza



Start stocking up on fabrics, Swiffer pads, and razor products and packaging. Learn all about this event at <u>greensalem</u>.

Success at the November 2020 Textile & TerraCycle Drive



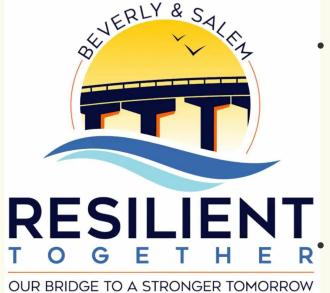
Over 300 homes participated by driving to our drop-off location with their saved fabrics and TerraCycle items. We filled this entire HELPSY truck from top to bottom, back to front! Many thanks to our fantastic volunteers, and to our fellow Salem residents for diverting what would otherwise be sent to waste towards reusable options for the fabrics and hard to recycle items to be sent to TerraCycle.

Resilient Together

Did you know Salem and Beverly have partnered together to create a joint climate action and resilience plan for our two cities to take collective action in the face of the climate crisis?

How to get Involved:

- Sign up for the newsletter <u>here</u>.
- Mindmixer: <u>sign up here</u> to interact with others in the community in an



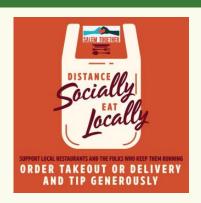
online discussion forum.

• Submit a personal story regarding how you take climate action in your day-to-day life. Are you a restaurant owner sourcing local food? Do you check in on an elderly neighbor when there is a bad storm? Are you a student organizing your friends to learn more about climate change at your school or place of worship? The team at Resilient Together wants to know!

Follow and engage with them on Iwitter, Facebook, and Instagram!

• Watch the Resilient Together <u>2-minute</u> <u>video</u> that stars your neighbors and community leaders!

Salem Launches Crowd-Source Restaurant Maps



This initiative was launched in partnership with the Salem Economic Development Recovery and Revitalization (EDRR) Task Force. View the details to participate and check out the maps through this link. As you support Salem's restaurant industry by ordering takeout, please be sure to recycle when possible!

<u>See here</u> for images and directions on which to-go containers can be recycled.









Local Plastic Free Businesses

Love, Green - Salem

<u>Unpacked Living - Beverly</u>

<u>MacRae's Sustainable Goods -</u> <u>Marblehead</u>

We are lucky to have not one but THREE local shops that provide plastic free options, and refill stations. Check all of them out as they each offer a variety of

unique items. Love, Green makes some of their own beauty products. Unpacked has a growing refill station, in addition to a large collection of bamboo and plastic free products - think bamboo kitchen scrubbers and shampoo bars. MacRae's has home and garden products in addition to some upcycled cell phone cases!



Photo courtesy of Unpacked Living's Facebook page

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