



## February 2022 Newsletter

Save your broken or damaged item and bring it to our next Repair Café. Winter time means damaged trash and recycling bins, here's what to do if that happens to you. Stock up sustainably on personal care products at Odd Meter Coffee Shop. Learn about the top recycling questions of 2021.

### Repair Café - March 12

SalemRecycles' Repair Café is back -- at a new location, the Community Life Center at 401 Bridge St.! The Café is a gathering of skilled volunteers who will repair and restore your broken items, keeping them from the waste and recycling streams. Salem residents only, please, at this free event.



\* Event is 9:00 - noon, with last appointment at 11:30.

\* Appointments are required; sorry, no walk-ins.

\* Email [mguglielmi@salem.com](mailto:mguglielmi@salem.com) for an appointment.

\* Masks must be worn at all times during this event.

REPAIRS MAY INCLUDE: Sewing by hand or machine (mend, patch, darn, buttons -- sorry, no hems or alterations). Sharpen scissors & knives. Tinker with and rewire electronics and lamps; no TVs. Vacuum repair, computer diagnostics, ceramics gluing, & basic jewelry repair. Furniture and wood gluing and repair. Nearly anything that can be fixed with adhesives or fasteners, such as basic shoe repair. \*\*This list may change as we confirm our volunteers \*\*

BRING WITH YOU: Replacement item such as new zipper or electric cord/plug. If your electronics requires testing after repair, bring what is needed to do that (e.g. light bulb, DVD).

VOLUNTEER WITH US! If you have a tinkering skill, even one we already offer, contact Micaela Guglielmi at [mguglielmi@salem.com](mailto:mguglielmi@salem.com) or (978) 619-5672

## Waste Management Reminders

During the cold winter months, we often see an uptick in broken or damaged bins. Don't worry if your lid is cracked or your wheel falls off, WM will repair or replace your bin for free, you just need to call.

Please call Waste Management at 800-972-4545 to

- Report if trash/recycling is not picked up
- Schedule bulk Item pick up
- Schedule a white goods pick up
- Schedule a broken bin to be repaired

If you have trouble getting through, call Micaela Guglielmi at 978-619-5672

## Zero Waste Pop Up

Odd Meter Coffee will be hosting MacRae's Sustainable Goods pop-up refill. Now it's easier to join in the Closed Loop, Zero Waste revolution! Every 1st and 3rd Monday of the month from 9:30 to 12:00ish, bulky cleaning and personal care products will be available. Buying in bulk saves money. Bring your own containers or buy reusable containers at the refill station.



## Top Recycling Questions of 2021

In November, Recycle Smart MA hosted two live webinars called Ask Me Anything about Recycling in MA. More than a hundred people tuned in to ask (and sometimes stump) MA DEP's expert panel. Here are the highlights so we can all get a smart start to recycling in 2022!

### Top Recycling Questions

1. Why can't we recycle everything?!
2. Which plastic bags can I recycle?
3. Do I have to remove tape from boxes?
4. Does the number on plastics matter?
5. Pizza boxes - yes or no?

Read the full newsletter [here](#).



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