



April 2021 Newsletter

Spring has sprung and we're so excited that the Book Swap is back after a 2.5 year hiatus. Learn about how you can clean up your neighborhood at the Great Salem Clean Up. A new statewide ban will change how we dispose of our mattresses. Reuse and recycle flower and plant pots.



Book Swap - May 7th

SalemRecycles' Free Book Swap is back! Join us on Saturday, May 7 from 10AM - 1PM, at Salem's Community Life Center, 401 Bridge Street. Swapping isn't necessary -- feel free to drop off, take away, or both.

PLEASE BRING: Books, CDs & DVDs, Video Games, Records, Reusable Bags, and Greeting Cards. All items must be clean, dry and mildew free. Media items should be in original cases. (Sorry, no VHS tapes or cassette tapes.)

DROP OFF HOURS

* Friday, May 6 from 4:00 - 7:00 PM

* Saturday, May 7 from 9:00 AM - noon

Please note the event is not open to the public until 10am, but donations will be accepted starting at 9am. No book dealers or more than two bags per swapper before noon. At close of event, Discover Books will take the un-swapped books and media to be donated or recycled.

For more info or to volunteer, please contact Micaela Guglielmi at mguglielmi@salem.com or (978) 619-5672



Clean Up Days

On Sunday April 24th, Keep Salem Beautiful will host their 1st annual Great Salem Cleanup. This event will look a bit different from what they usually do! Instead of focusing on one area, they will have multiple areas throughout the city being cleaned up at the same time. We hope that you will consider registering for this event and help spread the word. If you are interested in becoming a captain of a location, please let them know! Each captain will receive their group materials the week prior to the event.

[Sign up for the Great Salem Cleanup!](#)

We would also like to encourage residents to join the [Massachusetts Litter Cleanup Crew](#) and take the pledge to keep your neighborhood clean. By taking the pledge and donating a minimum of \$10 to Keep Massachusetts Beautiful, you will receive a Litter Cleanup Kit!

GREAT SALEM



April 24, 2022

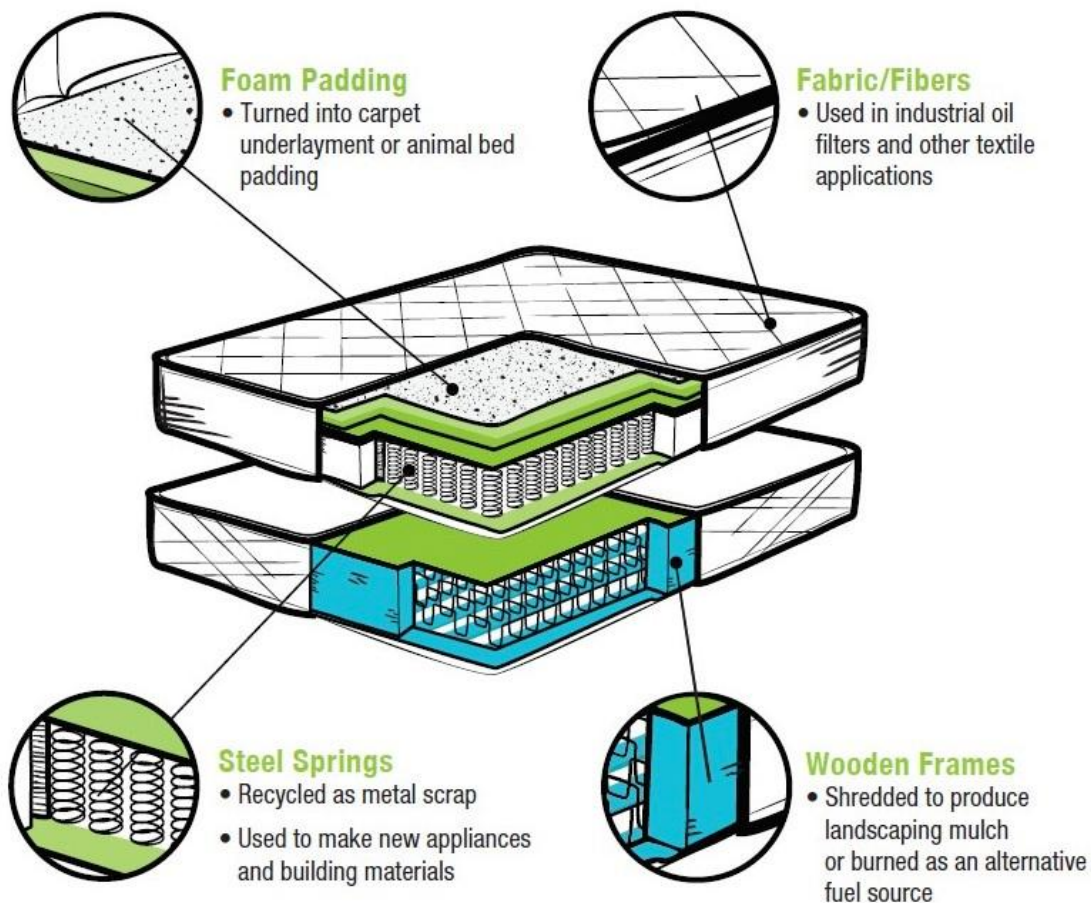
CLEANUP

MA DEP Waste Bans

MassDEP issued its final [2030 Solid Waste Master Plan](#), which establishes goals to reduce disposal statewide by 30 percent (from 5.7 million tons in 2018 to 4 million tons in 2030) over the next decade. Among its strategies for reaching these objectives, MassDEP will expand its current [waste disposal bans](#) by adding [mattresses](#) and [textiles](#) to the list of materials banned from disposal or transport for disposal in Massachusetts, and lowering the threshold on [commercial organic/food waste](#) to facilities generating more than one-half ton of these materials per week.

This means there will be some changes to the way we collect mattresses not only in Salem, but state wide. The components of mattresses can be recycled - box springs and steel inner-springs can be recycled and made into new steel, mattress foam can be ground up and mixed with binders to form padding and cushions, and box spring and foundation wood can be chipped and used as animal bedding, mulch or biomass fuel. We have not yet reached a final decision on who will be collecting our mattresses in Salem but stay tuned for more details.

Salem has already made great strides for textile recycling including partnering with HELPSY to provide annual textile drives and weekly curbside pick ups and Bay State Textile's public school collection bins. We need to continue these efforts by ensuring textiles, clothing, fabric, etc do not end up in our curbside trash. Even if they are worn, torn, stained or have a hole, they can still be recycled into new fabrics.



Plant Pots

As gardening season begins, you may find yourself with plastic plant and flower pots. They are not recyclable curbside, but can be reused. The Salem Community Gardens is collecting them, please contact hello@salemcommunitygardens.org to donate. Another option for donation is Maitland Farms, contact maitlandmountainfarm@gmail.com. Please make sure pots are not cracked or chipped, are only 3-5 years old, and are completely empty.



Household Hazardous Waste

Beverly's Household **Hazardous Waste** Collection Day

SATURDAY • APRIL 23, 2022 • 8 am - Noon
High School Parking Lot, Enter from Sohier Road
Beverly & Salem Residents Only (proof of residency required)



WHAT DO I BRING?

FROM THE HOUSE:

- Drain Cleaners
- Oven Cleaners
- Furniture Polish • Floor Cleaners
- Photo Chemicals
- Dry Cleaning Fluid
- Hobby & Art Supplies
- Mercury Waste (fluorescent bulbs, thermostats, thermometers)

FROM THE YARD:

- Pesticides • Herbicides
- Rodent Killers
- Insect Spray
- Pool Chemicals
- Muriatic Acid
- No-pest Strips
- Cesspool Cleaners
- Propane Tanks (no Helium Tanks)

FROM THE GARAGE:

- Automobile Antifreeze
- Brake Fluid
- Wax Polish
- Engine or Radiator Flushes
- Transmission Fluid
- Car Batteries
- Fuels, Gasoline, Kerosene

FROM THE WORKBENCH:

- Rust Preventers
- Wood Preservatives
- Oil Based Paint, Stain, etc.
- Wood Strippers
- Paint Thinners
- Solvents
- Degreasers
- Sealants
- Creosote

\$20
CO-PAY
PER CAR

CAR
TIRES

17" or Less ONLY
Off Rims

Cash or
Check
Only



WHAT NOT TO BRING! * NO COMMERCIAL WASTE *

- **TV's, Monitors, Electronics**
- **Motor Oil** (take to DPS - 148 Park Street)
- **Latex Paint & Driveway Sealer** (pop lids, let dry & throw away)
- **Smoke Detectors**
- **Ammunition, Fireworks, Explosives**
- **Compressed Gas Cylinders, Helium Tanks**
- **Prescription Medicine** (Medication Drop Box 24/7 @ Beverly Police Station & Beverly Hospital, Main Entrance)
- **Syringes** (drop off @ Beverly Hospital, Main Entrance, Sharps Kiosk 24/7 & Beverly Police Station)
- **Commercial or Industrial Waste • Asbestos**
- **Infectious Biological & Radioactive Waste**

How do I safely transport these hazardous materials?

- Leave materials in original container
- Tighten caps & lids. Pack containers in sturdy, upright boxes & pad with newspaper. DO NOT place in a garbage bag. Sort & pack separately.
- NEVER MIX CHEMICALS - Never smoke while handling hazardous materials. Pack your vehicle & go directly to the site.

For more info, contact Beverly Board of Health at **978.921.8591**



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