

# Why Recycle?

Recycling an item means it does not go to the landfill. Instead that item is used to make something new. This gives the item a new life!



Pennsylvania has a recycling law, Act 101, which mandates municipalities with a population of 5,000 or more people to have a recycling program for their residents.



Recycling creates jobs! 66,041 jobs here in Pennsylvania are related to the recycling and reuse industry.



## The Lackawanna County Environmental Office provides assistance with:

- Establishing recycling programs
- Waste reduction techniques
- Municipal reports and grants

## Presentations are offered on:

- Recycling
- Environmental shopping
- Waste reduction
- Water pollution
- Water conservation



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570-963-2017

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[www.lackawannacounty.org/government/departments/environmental\\_sustainability](http://www.lackawannacounty.org/government/departments/environmental_sustainability)

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# A Guide to the Basics of Recycling



## Lackawanna County

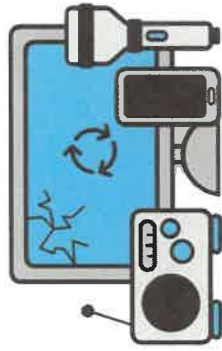
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# ELECTRONICS RECYCLING IN PENNSYLVANIA



## COVERED DEVICE RECYCLING ACT (ACT 108)

- Covered devices such as TV's, computers, computer, monitors, and peripherals (keyboard, mouse, and other computer accessories) cannot be thrown out in Pennsylvania. They **MUST** be recycled.
- Even though you have to recycle electronics, there are few places to recycle electronics in Lackawanna County. As of today, there are no businesses that recycle TV's.
- Please contact your State Representative today and ask them to fix the issues with ACT 108!

**CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE FOR  
MORE INFORMATION ON HARD TO  
RECYCLE ITEMS!**

# WHAT CAN NOT BE RECYCLED?



- Straws
- Food containers (ex. yogurt or butter)
- Takeout containers
- Food wrappers
- Styrofoam
- Paper or plastic dishes, cups, and utensils
- Plastic wrap
- Napkins and paper towels
- Toys
- Windows

## Helpful Tips:

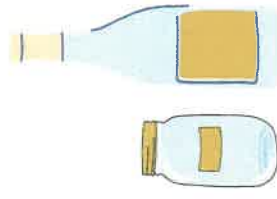
- Give bottles and jars a quick rinse before placing them in the recycling!
- Flatten boxes to increase space in your paper recycling bin
- Contact your town for specifics on their recycling program



# WHAT CAN BE RECYCLED?

## Glass

Bottles and jars **ONLY**  
Please do not place  
broken glass in the bin



## Metal Cans

Aluminum and Steel



## Paper

Newspaper, office paper,  
junk mail and magazines



## Cardboard

Heavy shipping boxes, cereal  
boxes (inside liner removed),  
and paper towel rolls

## Plastic

**ONLY** plastic bottles, jars, and  
jugs



\*Remove caps  
before placing  
them in the bin!\*

## Yardwaste

Leaves, brush, and grass  
Brush cut down to 4 feet or smaller  
lengths and no bigger than a  
2-inch diameter







# HARD TO RECYCLE OR PROPERLY DISPOSE LIST

\*Please call businesses listed before you drop off\*

## ANTIFREEZE

Safety-Kleen Systems – Commercial Only\* 570.906.8311

\*Business MUST be a customer and fee varies (charge per volume)

## BATTERIES – CAR (SEALED LEAD ACID)

Advanced Auto 570.341.0852

Anthracite Auto 570.207.8759

D.G Nicholas Auto 570.282.2525

Kelleher Battery 570.344.2414

Fiegleman’s Recycling Center 570.342.5242

PEP Boys Auto Parts & Service 570.383.3600

## BATTERIES (RECHARGEABLE- NICAD OR LITHIUM)

Best Buy 570.346.8977

Home Depot 570.346.3471

Lowe’s 570.344.9200

Target 570.383.7100

## CELL PHONES

Best Buy 570.346.8977

Target 570.383.7100

Wegmans 570.383.8721

## Bicycles

Anthracite Bicycle Coalition

570-285-4930



## CFLs

(Compact Fluorescent Lamps)

Home Depot 570.346.3471

Lowe's 570.344.9200

## COMPUTERS & ELECTRONIC MATERIAL

**\*Please phone business first\***

**NOTICE: At this time, due to legislative needs to correct the electronic recycling law, there are problems recycling TVs and MONITORS throughout the Commonwealth of PA. You can help by contacting your State Representative and Senators.**

Best Buy (fee-varies per product) <sup>89</sup> TV 570.346.8977

Goodwill 570-980-2510

Staples 570.342.5138

(Computers, peripherals, small electronics, flat screen monitors but no TV's)

Salvation Army 570.346.0711

(Will accept TV's and electronics but MUST be working)

Waste Reduction and Recycling 570. 825.3522

(Will accept CRT TVs and other electronics for \$1.49/pound)

## DVDs, CDs and RECORDS

**\*Must be playable and have cases\***

Fiegleman's Recycling Center 570.342.5242

(DVDs Only)

Gallery of Sound 570.696.0778

Salvation Army 570.346.0711



## EYEGLASSES

Please contact your local Lion's Club

## FIRE EXTINGUISHERS

Fiegleman's Recycling Center

570.342.5242

(Must be completely emptied and pin removed)

## FLUORESCENT TUBE LIGHTS

A mail in recycling kit can be purchased from a variety of stores online ([Uline.com](http://Uline.com), [Veolia.com](http://Veolia.com))

## GAS GRILL TANKS

**\*Please empty completely\***

Fiegleman's Recycling Center

570.342.5242

Keystone Propane

570.489.4548

## HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

Datom Products Inc. (fee applies)

570.343.2878

Lackawanna County Environmental Office

570.963.2017

PA DEP

570.826.2511

Chlorine - liberally dilute with water 25:1

Pesticides:

1. Dilute if the product is supposed to have water added
2. Solidify with kitty litter if oil-based
3. Place in regular trash

Safety-Kleen Systems - Commercial only

570.906.8311

**\*Business MUST be a customer and fee varies (charge per volume)**



## MATTRESSES

AP Container, Inc.

570.209.8600

Varies junk removal companies

## MEDICATION

CVS Pharmacy (various locations)

Lackawanna County Courthouse

Police Stations (various locations)

## MERCURY THERMOMETERS

**\*non-profit/ residential and case-by-case call-ins\***

PA DEP

570.826.2511

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## MICROWAVES

Anthracite Auto – Scranton

570.207.8759

Fiegleman's Recycling Center

570.342.5242

Many Scrap Yards

## MOTOR OIL

**\*phone ahead – some limits on quantity – cannot be mixed with any other fluid\***

Advanced Auto Parts

phone nearest location

AJ Auto Center

570.842.7697

AutoZone

phone nearest location

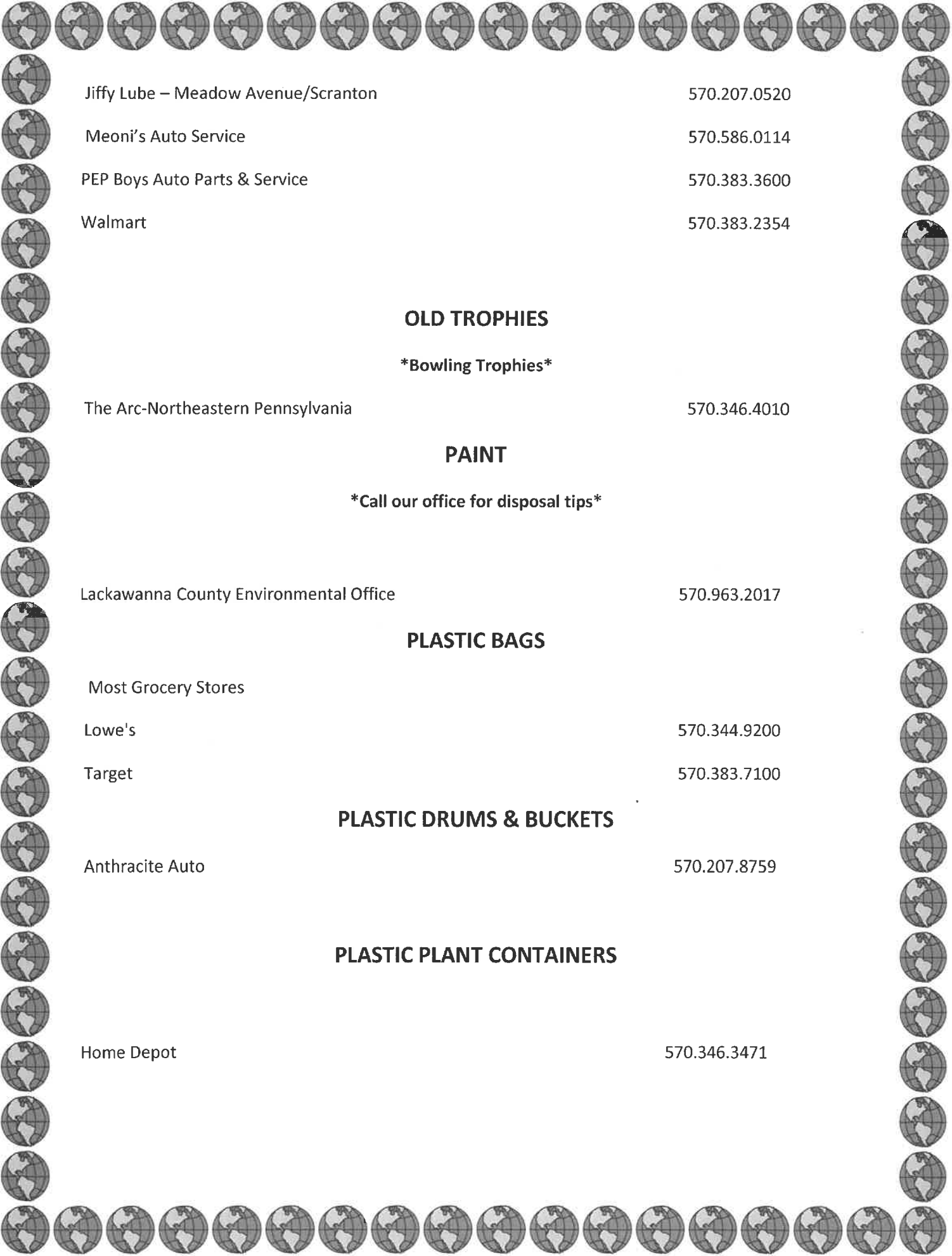
Fletcher's Hill Top Station

570.347.8776

Jiffy Lube – Oak Street/Scranton

570.906.8311





Jiffy Lube – Meadow Avenue/Scranton

570.207.0520

Meoni's Auto Service

570.586.0114

PEP Boys Auto Parts & Service

570.383.3600

Walmart

570.383.2354

### **OLD TROPHIES**

**\*Bowling Trophies\***

The Arc-Northeastern Pennsylvania

570.346.4010

### **PAINT**

**\*Call our office for disposal tips\***

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### **PLASTIC BAGS**

Most Grocery Stores

Lowe's

570.344.9200

Target

570.383.7100

### **PLASTIC DRUMS & BUCKETS**

Anthracite Auto

570.207.8759

### **PLASTIC PLANT CONTAINERS**

Home Depot

570.346.3471



## REFRIGERATORS, FREEZERS, DEHUMIDIFIERS & AIR CONDITIONERS

Fiegleman's Recycling Center

570.342.5242

(Freon must be professionally removed prior to drop off and have a sticker)

PPL Electric Utilities Corporation

1.877.486.9204

MUST be PPL customer (must be an active account at pick-up address)

Schedule online [pplenergysavings.com](http://pplenergysavings.com) for pickup Refrigerators,

Freezers, Air Conditioners, and Dehumidifiers (further stipulations on site)

Ben Weitsman's

570.342.7444

**(\$15 charge to remove Freon)**

## SCRAP METALS

**(Electric Motors & Cable Wire-please phone first)**

Anthracite Auto – Scranton

570.207.8759

Fiegleman's Recycling Center

(Accepts paper shredders- minus the plastic collection bin)

570.342.5242

Local Scrap Yards

Ben Weitsman's

570.342.7444

## SHARPS

Place any sharps/needles into a puncture proof container (metal can or hard plastic jug) and make sure it is sealed. Label the container "sharps" and throw away in your household trash. Do not recycle!



## SMOKE DETECTORS

Follow the return instructions from the manufacturer

## STYROFOAM

Anthracite Auto 570.207.8759

## TIRES

Ben Weitsman's (only take with rim) 570.342.7444  
On Fire Tires and Auto 570.382.3579  
Waste Reduction and Recycling 570. 825.3522

## TONER CARTRIDGES

Best Buy (quantity limit) 570.346.8977  
Staples (quantity limit) 570.342.5138

## YARDWASTE (FEE APPLIES)

**\*Please phone business first\***

Lackawanna Recycling Center (Starting May 1<sup>st</sup> 2021) 570.963.6868  
Earth Conservancy Compost Facility in Nanticoke, PA 570.899.6662

(grass & lawn clippings, leaves, hedge trimmings, garden plants, branches/trunks (under 6" in diameter), natural holiday trees)

## COFFEE PODS

Lackawanna County Government Center 570.963.2017  
Lackawanna County Courthouse

