

It's Our Own Garbage

What We Did in 2017

Thank you Halton residents!

By participating in Blue Box, Green Cart, Yard Waste, Reuse and Household Hazardous Waste programs, as well as diversion programs at the Halton Waste Management Site (HWMS), Halton residents continue to have one of the highest residential waste diversion rates in Ontario. In 2017, 58% of all residential waste was diverted from the HWMS landfill.

Also, through our shared commitment, we have helped to extend the lifespan of the landfill from 2012 to between 2044 and 2048 - over 30 years longer than expected. This has saved taxpayers more than \$15 million by deferring the costs of building a new site.

Joint Municipal-Regional Waste Management Committee

The Committee was established as a Condition of Approval for the Halton Waste Management Site (HWMS) when it opened in 1992. The Committee is comprised of thirteen members from Burlington, Halton Hills, Milton and Oakville. The Committee advises Halton Regional Council regarding programs and strategies to promote the 3Rs—reduce, reuse, recycle, — encourage community recycling and minimize the amount of waste going to the landfill. In 2017, the Committee contributed to the development of Halton's Solid Waste Management Strategy & Master Plan and was advised on the consultation process related to the Waste Free Ontario Act.



Diversion Results

Here is a summary of waste material residents and Halton Region diverted from the landfill:

- Blue Box: 50,797 tonnes
- Green Cart: 27,859 tonnes
- Yard Waste: 27,968 tonnes
- Household Hazardous Waste: 864 tonnes (from 40,868 vehicles)
- Electronic Waste: 365 tonnes
- Other: 18,564 tonnes

We diverted more waste than we landfilled! Total garbage landfilled at the HWMS: 71,831 tonnes.

Visit halton.ca/waste to read report 2017 Tonnage Report for more information on Halton's waste diversion results.

How We Achieved It

Our Programs and Services

- Weekly curbside Blue Box and Green Cart collection
- Bi-weekly curbside garbage collection
- Bi-weekly curbside Yard Waste collection between April and December
- Metal & Appliance collection (by appointment)
- Paint and Stain Reuse program
- Backyard composter sales
- HWMS drop-off of materials for recycling including: Blue Box and Green Cart items, tires, drywall, wood, scrap metal, electronics, brick and rubble, eyeglasses, natural cork, hockey sticks
- Battery recycling depots
- Household Hazardous Waste Depot
- Salvation Army Reuse Depot
- Blue Boxes and Green Carts delivered to new subdivisions and free replacements for all residents
- Continued implementation of the Green Cart Program into apartments and condominiums
- Space-saving reusable tarps as an alternative daily cover at the landfill

Community Outreach and Education

- Easy to use online calendar tool at halton.ca/waste and through the OneHalton app
- Online Put Waste in its Place material sorting tool
- Yearly delivery of the Waste Management Calendar to all single family households
- Waste Management workshops for schools, community groups and apartments (continued implementation of the Green Cart)
- Participation in community events and open houses
- Tours of the Halton Waste Management Site
- 25th Anniversary and Doors Open event at the Halton Waste Management Site open to the public
- Waste diversion services for community events

Special Events

- May and September Compost Giveaway at HWMS
- Four Special Waste Drop-off days

For more information about Halton Region's curbside collection programs, the Halton Waste Management Site and other waste diversion initiatives, visit halton.ca/waste or call 311.

Advocacy for Extended Producer Responsibility under the Waste Free Ontario Act

In collaboration with our neighbouring municipalities, Halton Region has advocated to the Provincial government resulting in legislation that has increased support from industry for the proper recycling and disposal of material through the following programs:

- Blue Box Program Plan
- Municipal Hazardous & Special Waste (makethedrop.ca, regeneration.ca)
- Used Tires (rethinktires.ca)
- Waste Electronics & Electrical Equipment (recyclemyelectronics.ca)

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