

The Marshall Recycling Center is currently undergoing a major facility upgrade, with joint efforts from the Calhoun County Road Department (CCRD) and the Calhoun County Public Health Department (CCPHD). The recycling center, located at 13300 15 Mile Road, Marshall, MI, shares a parking lot with the CCRD. Demolition of the old site has begun, and the recycling bins have been moved further back in the CCRD parking lot for continued use, while construction is under way. A number of changes will be made, including new concrete beds being laid for the recycling bins to rest on, the installation of a fence with a mechanical gate, and the installation of a security camera system.

The sharing of ideas, expertise, and resources between government agencies streamlines projects, making them run more efficiently and reducing cost. In this case, the road department staff is contributing knowledge of construction materials and procedures, as well as experience negotiating with vendors. The public health department staff is contributing its vast knowledge of recycling operations and best practices. As time goes on, the CCRD and CCPHD will continue to benefit from teamwork. The public health department will soon be sharing storage space at the road department, and the new fence and security cameras at the recycling center will also benefit the road department facility.

The upgraded site will be built to last for many years and to be flexible, as the way we recycle changes over time. Just this year, substantial changes have been made in how the Marshall Recycling Center operates. The hours have been reduced to times that road department employees are working, which has helped to discourage citizens from bringing non-recyclable items to the recycling center. Previously, furniture, toilets, medical waste, diapers, and other non-recyclable items have been dropped off at the Marshall Recycling Center, mainly during weekends and nights. Once the upgrades are complete, there will be health department staff on site to educate and assist visitors, and to prevent the abuse of the space and contamination of the recyclables.

Thank you to everyone that has worked toward making Calhoun County a cleaner, more sustainable place to live by using the Marshall Recycling Center regularly, and responsibly. Other recycling options around the County are listed below. For more information, please visit the Calhoun County Recycling website: <http://calhouncountyrecycling.com>, or call the Calhoun County Public Health Department at (269)-969-6341.

Albion Recycling Center

Albion has the only other permanent recycling center run by the county. It is an award winning facility that has served as a model for the Marshall Recycling Center.

216 N. Eaton Street
Albion, MI 49224

Hours of operation are Monday and Saturday, from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm, and Wednesday, from 2:00 pm to 6:00 pm.

Rotating One Saturday a Month Recycling Centers

- 2nd Saturday of the month
Bedford Charter Township
115 South Uldriks Drive
Battle Creek, MI 49037
- 3rd Saturday of the month
Clarence Township
27052 R Drive North
Albion, MI 49224
- 4th Saturday of the month
Pennfield Township
202 Capital Avenue Northeast
Battle Creek, MI 49017

Curbside Recycling

Battle Creek, Springfield, and Tekonsha have contracts for curbside pick-up of recyclables. Curbside service is also available through many local trash haulers, including those in the Battle Creek area, Bedford Township, Pennfield Township, and the Marshall area.

Other Recycling Options

Other facilities that handle recycling in the county include:

- C&C Landfill Drop-off Recycling Center
14800 P Drive North
Marshall, MI 49068
- Homer Recycling Center
608 South Webster Street
Homer, MI 49245
- Royal Oak Recycling
15160 6 ½ Mile Road
Battle Creek, MI 49014