

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) is defined as products in your home that can be harmful to humans and the environment and is an increasing concern



HHW that is stored continuously in cupboards or garages and/or disposed of through household or storm drains, on the ground, or in the trash may contaminate surface and ground water or even injure sanitation workers, children, and others. Appropriately disposing of HHW, reduces the risk of exposure to children and protects the environment.

The Sheridan area Household Hazardous Waste Task Force was formed in 2002 as a sub-committee of the Sheridan Recycling Task Force to organize and implement a Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day for the community. Events were held in June 2003, 2004 and 2006. These events provided the households of Sheridan County a proper method of disposal *free of charge*.

The 2006 HHW Collection Day was held on June 3, 2006 at the City of Sheridan Recycling Center from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm.

Sponsors

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City of Sheridan-Solid Waste Division
Sheridan County
Sheridan County Weed and Pest
Local Emergency Planning Committee
Town of Ranchester
Town of Dayton
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Sheridan County Community Health
Sheridan County Conservation District
Sheridan Fire and Rescue

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2006 HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION DAY

SUMMARY REPORT

Household Hazardous Waste Day Task Force

MISSION

Foster responsible management of potentially dangerous household waste materials through education and development of a program of recycling and alternate disposal options

JUNE 3, 2006 HHW COLLECTION DAY

Participants were asked to remain in their vehicles while the items were removed by local volunteers and processed by the HHW disposal/recycling contractor.



Participation for the event increased from the 2004 HHW Collection Day, with over 200 residents bringing in items for collection and completing surveys. Feedback was positive and included inquiries about future events.



2006 SURVEY RESULTS

How did you hear about the event?

102	Newspaper
81	Radio
44	Word of Mouth
7	Flyer
3	Website
22	Other

What did you previously do with HHW?

174	Store in house/garage
28	Throw in trash
0	Pour down drain
0	Pour down storm drains
13	Other

Where are you from?

118	City of Sheridan resident
67	County resident
5	City of Dayton
6	City of Ranchester
8	Other
0	Town of Clearmont

If the event were to be held again, would you be willing to pay a small fee to bring your waste?

180	Yes
18	No

If you answered yes to question 5, how much?

107	\$5.00
54	\$10.00
6	\$15.00
8	\$20.00
2	More than \$20.00

Note: Many people responded that they would be willing to pay, but were afraid that if there were a charge others would not participate.

HHW PRODUCTS COLLECTED

Paint Products

1,895 gallons

Automotive Products

554 gallons*

Lawn/Garden Care Products

Liquid Pesticides 225 gallons

Household Cleaners

Ammonia Materials 20 gallons*

Miscellaneous

Aerosols 300 pounds

Batteries 240 pounds*

Electronic Waste 7,000 pounds*

Flammable Liquids 275 gallons

Mercury Containing 15 pounds*

Acids 275 pounds*

Bases 245 pounds*

Oxidizing Materials 300 pounds*

Water Reactive Solid 30 pounds

Fluorescent Bulbs 10 pounds

Cyanide 5 pounds

*represents an increase in amount collected in comparison to the 2004 Collection Day

**Voluntary donations by participants
on the day of the event generated
over \$400.00.**