

HHW REPORTER

1ST AND 2ND QUARTER 2020
NEWS AND PARTICIPATION STATS FROM
THE HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE CENTER

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2020 Expected Closures:

September 13-14
(Street Rods)

November 3
(Election Day)

November 11
(Veterans Day)

November 26-27
(Thanksgiving)

December 24, 2020 -
January 1, 2021
(Winter Break)

REMAINING 2020
SATURDAY COLLECTIONS
8:00am-12:00pm

August 8

October 10

November 14

December 12

ad·ap·ta·tion (noun): modification to fit a changed environment

It comes as no surprise that the HHW Center has made adaptations in 2020 as we are sure many of you have. Working from home, wearing masks, checking for fevers, no handshaking, socializing from a distance to name a few are the new ways of the working day.

In addition to some of these new ways of working, we have closed our “SWAP Shop” for the foreseeable future. The SWAP Shop will re-open after the number of COVID-19 illnesses dramatically decrease in our region. To reduce the risk of disease transmission, we are asking residents to remain in their vehicles while we record their address and remove their hazardous waste. It has been difficult to not keep the SWAP Shop filled for residents or have more informal chats in the driveway but we are doing our best with the intent of keeping everyone as safe as possible. We also never knew there were so many different types of trunk latches to learn! Some are particularly tricky.

The good news is that in spite of or perhaps because of the down time residents have had, the HHW Center has seen an increase in participation. June had a record high of 1,681 participants and so far July has not slowed down much.

The HHW Center will continue to adapt and provide safe, high quality services to the community. For the first time ever, due to the cancellation of the 2020 Youth Fair, the HHW Center will be open the 2nd Saturday in August and the second week of August when it is traditionally closed.

We wish you a safe and healthy summer and hope to see you in line soon!



1ST/2ND QUARTER HHW CENTER PARTICIPATION

Municipality	Jan	Feb	Mar	April	May	June	1st/2nd
Alamo Township	20	9	6	0	0	17	52
Almena Township	8	11	4	0	0	13	36
Antwerp Township	13	14	5	0	0	58	90
Augusta Village	10	1	2	0	0	1	14
Berrien County	1	1	2	0	0	10	14
Brady Township	17	10	4	0	0	29	60
Charleston Township	8	5	3	0	0	13	29
Climax Township	6	2	3	0	0	1	12
Climax Village	1	2	1	0	0	2	6
Comstock Township	72	51	34	0	0	121	278
Cooper Township	38	33	25	0	0	58	154
Kalamazoo City	224	148	93	0	0	326	791
Kalamazoo Township	72	42	37	0	0	87	238
Oshtemo Township	86	52	32	0	0	146	316
Parchment City	10	7	2	0	0	3	22
Pavilion Township	20	26	21	0	0	37	104
Paw Paw Township	1	0	2	0	0	1	4
Portage City	168	102	82	0	0	424	776
Prairie Ronde Township	6	3	3	0	0	9	21
Richland Township	48	24	20	0	0	74	166
Richland Village	6	2	1	0	0	9	18
Ross Township	23	14	10	0	0	48	95
Schoolcraft Township	22	11	7	0	0	24	64
Schoolcraft Village	1	3	2	0	0	10	16
Texas Township	67	26	25	0	0	123	241
Vicksburg Village	6	2	9	0	0	8	25
Wakeshma Township	2	1	6	0	0	3	12
Subtotal	956	602	441	0	0	1,655	3,654
Regular HHW Paying Customers	73	49	24	0	0	20	166
Electronics Paying Customers	38	55	4	0	0	6	103
Total	1,067	706	469	0	0	1,681	3,923
Clean Sweep Customers	3	2	3	0	0	8	16

1ST/2ND QUARTER RECYCLING COST SHARE

BILLING PERIOD 1/01/20-6/30/20			
CHEMICAL DISPOSAL COSTS			\$25,502.82
ELECTRONICS RECYCLING			\$3,672.43
TOTAL BILLING			\$29,175.25
MUNICIPALITY	HOUSEHOLD EQUIVALENTS	PERCENT	TOTAL COST
ALAMO TOWNSHIP	52	1.42	\$415.19
ALMENA TOWNSHIP	36	0.99	\$287.44
ANTWERP TOWNSHIP	90	2.46	\$718.60
AUGUSTA VILLAGE	14	0.38	\$111.78
BERRIEN COUNTY	14	0.38	\$111.78
BRADY TOWNSHIP	60	1.64	\$479.07
CHARLESTON TOWNSHIP	29	0.79	\$231.55
CLIMAX TOWNSHIP	12	0.33	\$95.81
CLIMAX VILLAGE	6	0.16	\$47.91
COMSTOCK TOWNSHIP	278	7.61	\$2,219.68
COOPER TOWNSHIP	154	4.21	\$1,229.61
KALAMAZOO CITY	791	21.65	\$6,315.72
KALAMAZOO TOWNSHIP	238	6.51	\$1,900.30
OSHTEMO TOWNSHIP	316	8.65	\$2,523.09
PARCHMENT CITY	22	0.60	\$175.66
PAVILION TOWNSHIP	104	2.85	\$830.38
PAW PAW TOWNSHIP	4	0.11	\$31.94
PORTAGE CITY	776	21.24	\$6,195.95
PRAIRIE RONDE TOWNSHIP	21	0.57	\$167.67
RICHLAND TOWNSHIP	166	4.54	\$1,325.42
RICHLAND VILLAGE	18	0.49	\$143.72
ROSS TOWNSHIP	95	2.60	\$758.52
SCHOOLCRAFT TOWNSHIP	64	1.75	\$511.01
SCHOOLCRAFT VILLAGE	16	0.44	\$127.75
TEXAS TOWNSHIP	241	6.60	\$1,924.26
VICKSBURG VILLAGE	25	0.68	\$199.61
WAKESHMA TOWNSHIP	12	0.33	\$95.81
TOTAL	3,654	100.00	\$29,175.25

* THIS IS NOT A BILL – INVOICE WILL BE MAILED OUT AT A LATER DATE *

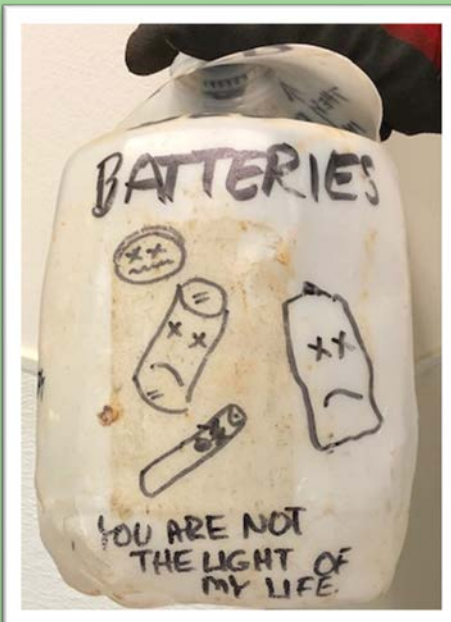
2020 1st/2nd Quarter Collections

A Note on Electronics:
Nearly 50,000 pounds of additional eWaste were collected in June but shipped in July. Total pounds collected is closer to 200,000 and will “catch up” in the 3rd quarter.

NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLD EQUIVALENTS	3,654
NUMBER OF SMALL BUSINESS EQUIVALENTS	269
NUMBER OF CLEAN SWEEP CUSTOMERS	16

ITEM(S)	POUNDS
ELECTRONICS FROM HOMEOWNERS	55,832
ELECTRONICS FROM SMALL BUSINESSES	4,951
CHEMICAL WASTE FROM HOMEOWNERS *	37,298
CHEMICAL WASTE FROM SMALL BUSINESSES *	7,292
ANTIFREEZE	3,800
COPPER WIRE	1,654
FIRE EXTINGUISHERS	1,254
INK AND TONER CARTRIDGES	307
OIL FILTERS	560
PESTICIDES	5,134
RECHARGEABLE BATTERIES	6,045
SCRAP METAL	1,226
USED MOTOR OIL	22,600
TOTAL POUNDS COLLECTED	147,953

* acids, aerosols, ammunition, bases, batteries (alkaline & lithium), cleaners, flammable liquids, flares, fluorescent bulbs, mercury, oil based paint, organic peroxides, oxidizers, PCB ballasts, poisons/toxics, 1-lb propane cylinders



A customer provided a much need laugh by creating a unique container for storing “dead” batteries.

