

Due to the need to take precautionary measures in our community, our recycling center is temporarily closed to residents. This is to ensure safe measures to secure the City and combat the spread of COVID-19.

Stay Safe!



EARTH DAY AT HOME

**Join New Brunswick in celebrating
Earth Day - online and at home!**

On this 50-year Anniversary of **Earth Day**, there are many family-friendly online programs and activities to help us celebrate!

Rutgers Cooperative Extension has created a new [Earth Day at Home](https://envirostewards.rutgers.edu/EarthDayatHome2020.html) interactive webinar series to help residents learn about yard and garden care and related topics. The series will take place on **Monday evenings at 6:30**, beginning April 20th.

<https://envirostewards.rutgers.edu/EarthDayatHome2020.html>

The first six episodes:

- **April 20** -- Refresh your lawn by correcting soil compaction.
- **April 27** -- Cut down on harmful lawn and yard care chemicals by putting the right plants in the right places.
- **May 5** -- Create a backyard nature preserve.
- **May 11** -- Grow your own vegetables: starting seeds, planting and spacing, managing pests, and more.
- **May 18** -- Conserving resources, Part 1: Common sense tips for reducing food waste.
- **May 26** -- Conserving resources, Part 2: How to reduce plastic waste in the home.

Rutgers Cooperative Extension network is also offering **online programs** for **youth** through its "4-H from Home" program, including STEM activities and community services. <https://4-h.org/about/4-h-at-home>

- Take a look at **4 States 1 Source**: The Delaware River Watershed Initiative at <https://4states1source.org>
- Explore a virtual visit to a rain forest: <http://www.virtual-rainforest.org>

Celebrate Earth Day by Sharing Your Artwork

EPA remains committed to protecting human health and the environment as we continue to adjust to the evolving Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) public health emergency. Since many of us are staying safe at home this year, EPA is inviting everyone to celebrate Earth Day by drawing pictures, making signs, or using whatever recycled materials you have around the house to decorate the windows of your home to celebrate Earth Day with your community. [Learn more here!](#)

Check out Rutgers/Planning a Vegetable Garden: <https://njaes.rutgers.edu/fs129>

EPA Educational Resources for Earth Day

The Environmental Protection Agency wants to share [some of our environmental information and educational resources](#) for remote learning. Please feel free to share these resources with others.

Check out Earth Week at Adventure Aquarium

https://www.adventureaquarium.com/?utm_source=all&utm_medium=email-aaq&utm_campaign=evergreen20-brand&utm_content=aaq_em-template&utm_term=logoa&spMailingID=42317825&spUserID=NjYzMDg5NjIzODE3S0&spJobID=1742247937&spReportId=MTc0MjI0NzkzNwS2

Earth Day Activities from the NJ DEP:

<https://www.nj.gov/dep/dep50>

Check out the Middlesex County Recycling and Solid Waste Guide at:

<http://www.middlesexcountynj.gov/Government/Departments/PSH/Documents/Environmental/FINAL%20Middlesex%20Recycling%20Guide.pdf>

Have a happy and safe Earth Day!



RECYCLE COACH

Do you know what day recycling is picked up? How about the proper way to dispose of an old air conditioner unit? All that information and much more is now available at your fingertips via the **RECYCLE COACH** app.

It's simple and easy to use.



The free **RECYCLE COACH** app provides residents in **The City of New Brunswick** with sanitation and recycling information specific to their zone. The app along with our website features a monthly calendar of sanitation and recycling pick-up days, a search function that provides information on the proper way to dispose of specific items, and tips on ways to reduce waste. Users can also set reminders to inform them of sanitation and recycling pick-up days, as well as directly report problems to the Public Works Department.

New Jersey is the first state to bring **RECYCLE COACH** technology, free of charge, to all residents to help increase recycling rates statewide and provide information in a simple, clear, and concise manner.

Thanks to the Department of Environmental Protection who purchased **RECYCLE COACH'S** online technology, New Brunswick residents can access information through their smart devices and computer.