

CVSWMD FY 2017 REPORT FOR FAIRLEE

The Central Vermont Solid Waste Management District serves 19-member cities and towns and approximately 52,000 residents to reduce and manage solid waste. The representative seat for Fairlee is vacant on the CVSWMD Board of Supervisors. Contact your Selectboard to become a Board member and represent your town. CVSWMD is committed to providing quality programming, meeting state mandates and providing information and resources to our member communities.

In FY17, CVSWMD provided \$7,363 in School Zero Waste and Lawrence Walbridge Reuse Grants and \$4,534 in Green Up Day Grants to businesses and schools in member municipalities. The District invites all member municipalities to apply for an annual non-competitive Green Up Day Grant each spring. The District invites all member municipalities to apply for an annual non-competitive Green Up Day Grant each spring. Samuel Morey Elementary School received a Zero Waste Grant of \$1,473 to purchase equipment to establish an on-site composting system.

After 14 years, CVSWMD is no longer in the business of hauling food scraps from schools and businesses in central VT. Our efforts, and those of our partners, kept 12,112 tons of food scraps out of the landfill! In 2017, CVSWMD successfully transitioned all organics hauling routes to Grow Compost of Moretown. CVSWMD will continue to provide resources and technical assistance to businesses to reduce and divert food waste from the landfill to comply with state law.

The District continues to provide award-winning programming, including:

- **Residential Composting:** CVSWMD sells Green Cone food digesters, Soil Saver composting bins and kitchen compost buckets at cost to district residents. CVSWMD also offers free workshops about backyard composting.
- **School Programming:** Our School Zero Waste Program works with all 27 schools in the District, teaching solid waste lessons in classrooms and facilitating the recycling of paint, bulbs, electronics, batteries and more. In FY17, we taught lessons in classrooms and led a waste audit with at Samuel Morey Elementary. School Program Coordinators work with maintenance staff and teachers to help schools compost on site and mentor student groups who lead initiatives toward zero waste in their schools.
- **Special Collections:** In 2017, 9 events were held, in which CVSWMD collected hazardous waste, paint, batteries and fluorescent bulbs.
 - Two collection events in Tunbridge, one for household hazardous waste and another for paint, batteries and bulbs, served a total of 53 households.
- **Additional Recyclables Collection Center (ARCC):** The ARCC, at 540 N. Main St. in Barre, is open M, W, F noon-6pm and the third Sat. of each month, 9-1pm. The ARCC is a recycling drop-off for over 40 hard-to-recycle materials, cvswmd.org/arcc. Blue bin recyclables are not accepted at the ARCC.
Web Site: CVSWMD posts useful information including what can be recycled, what can be composted, how to dispose of hazardous waste, leaf and yard waste, composting, Act 148, details of our special collections, and an “A to Z Guide” listing disposal options for many materials in the alphabet.



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