

## REDUCE & REUSE

### COMPOST and ORGANIC MATERIAL

**Flathead County Landfill:** 758-5910. Grass, leaves, branches, brush, weeds, hay. Loads must be secured.  
**DIRT Rich Compost:** 212-7535. Fee-based pick-up for food scraps. Residential & commercial. Yard waste drop-off at site.

### BICYCLES and HOUSEHOLD ITEMS

**BICYCLES:** Kalispell Elks Lodge 725: 257-6474. Will refurbish and donate to children in need.  
**CLOTHES & FURNITURE:** Give to Flathead Valley thrift stores to be reused.

### CELL PHONE REPAIR

*For cell phone recycling, check with your service provider.*  
**Cell Phone Repair:** 257-2348, Kalispell  
**Radioactive:** 257-5999, Kalispell  
**Batteries Plus:** 890-2150, Kalispell

### BUILDING MATERIALS

**Habitat for Humanity ReStore:** 257-8800 ext 1. Call ahead. Accepts most building supplies in good condition for reuse or resale; some oil and latex paints; no blinds.  
**Flathead Recon:** 261-3743. Will pick up construction waste for recycling at job sites. Call for info.

## HELP PROTECT THE FLATHEAD'S WATER QUALITY

### HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DISPOSAL

**Flathead County Landfill:** 758-5910  
 This monthly service is provided for disposal of residential Household Hazardous Waste. Open on the third Saturday of each month by appointment only so you don't have to wait in line.

**Accepting:** Oil-based paint, solvents, strippers, pool and spa chemicals, pesticides/herbicides, fertilizers, cleaners and poisons. Please bring in original, clearly marked closed containers only. DO NOT MIX WASTES.



### Cost-Saving Business Hazardous Waste Disposal

**758-5910 – An Annual Collection Event** is offered by Flathead County in late spring each year at cost-saving rates for small businesses. Please call for more information. Visit <http://mtp2.org/> for cost-saving tips and technical assistance.

### PHARMACEUTICAL DISPOSAL

Do not flush medicines down the toilet or drain, as this can pollute local water sources. Instead, take to these safe and easy drop boxes:

#### Kalispell

Flathead Co. Justice Center: 920 S Main St.  
 Walgreens Pharmacy: 40 W Idaho St.  
 The Clinical Pharmacy: 200 Conway Dr.  
 Family Health Care: 1287 Burns Way

**Columbia Falls Police Station:** 130 6th St. W

#### Whitefish

Whitefish Police Station: 275 Flathead Ave.  
 Alpine Apothecary: Inside Super 1



If you can't make it to a drop box, please follow these steps:

1. Dump medicines out of their container into a resealable bag
2. Pour enough water into the bag to let medicines dissolve
3. Add absorbent like kitty litter, coffee grounds, or sawdust and mix
4. Seal bag, place in a garbage out of reach of children & pets

## DON'T RISK THE \$200 FINE! KEEP FLATHEAD COUNTY CLEAN



In Flathead County, it is a misdemeanor for any person to haul garbage or trash to the landfill or a container site operated by the Flathead County Solid Waste District without containing, covering, or otherwise controlling the load such that no garbage or trash may blow or fall from the vehicle. Failure to comply with this ordinance can result in a fine up to \$200.

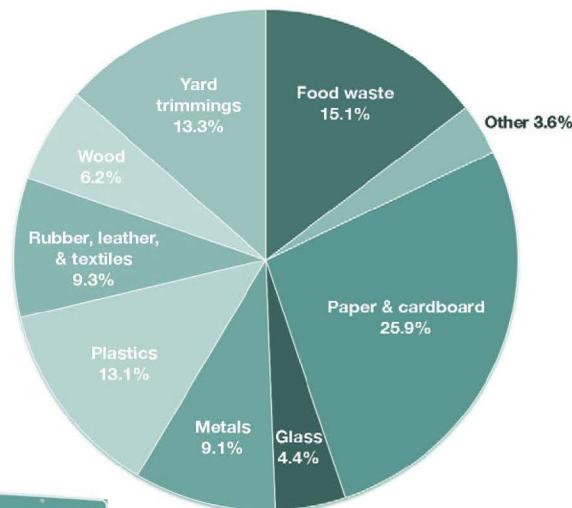


Visit the WasteNot website  
[www.WasteNotProject.org](http://www.WasteNotProject.org)

for more information on recycling and reducing waste at home and work.

Contact **756-8993** or [wastenot@flatheadcitizens.org](mailto:wastenot@flatheadcitizens.org) with additional questions.

### Total U.S. Municipal Solid Waste Generation (by Material), 2015 262 Million Tons (before recycling)



Source: *Advancing Sustainable Materials Management: 2015 Fact Sheet* at Advancing SMM: Materials and Waste Facts and Figures, [www.epa.gov/smm](http://www.epa.gov/smm)

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## HOW TO RECYCLE in the Flathead Valley

Your local guide to what and where to recycle & how to sort it out



## WHAT TO RECYCLE: All materials must be CLEAN and SEPARATED

WHERE TO RECYCLE	Aluminum Cans: clean, no food or foil, no scrap	Steel/Tin Cans: clean, no rust, no scrap	Mixed Paper: newspaper, magazines, catalogs, office and school paper, junk mail, phone books	Cardboard: flattened corrugated & paperboard, brown paper bags, egg cartons. NO waxed like milk cartons	Plastics*: NO BAGS. #1 and #2 ONLY – find recycle sign with number on container.
<b>PUBLIC DROP-OFF LOCATIONS</b>					
<b>Flathead County Landfill</b> (406) 758-5910 4098 Hwy 93 N., Open 8-5 daily. <a href="http://flathead.mt.gov/waste/">flathead.mt.gov/waste/</a>	✓		✓	✓	
<b>Bigfork: Flathead County Site</b> (406) 758-5910 133 MT Hwy 83, behind Crossroads Church. Open 8-5 Daily	✓		✓	✓	
<b>Columbia Falls: Flathead County Site</b> (406) 758-5910 1073 Best Way Rd., Open 8-5 Daily	✓		✓	✓	
<b>Creston: Flathead County Site</b> (406) 758-5910 161 Broeder Loop, Open 8-5 Daily	✓		✓	✓	
<b>Kalispell: Albertson's Grocery</b> (406) 257-2574 In parking lot. 900 W Idaho St. Open 24 hours.			✓	✓	
<b>Kalispell: Kalispell Medical Equipment</b> (406) 257-2574 In parking lot. 55 3rd Ave EN. Enter on 4th Ave. Open 24 hrs.			✓	✓	
<b>Kalispell: Pacific Recycling</b> (406) 755-7011 105 Montclair Dr. Open 8-5 M-F. <a href="http://www.pacific-steel.com">www.pacific-steel.com</a>	✓	✓ Accept scrap separately	✓	✓	
<b>Kalispell: Valley Recycling</b> (406) 257-2574 1410 Hwy 2 W. Open 7-4 M-F. <a href="http://www.valleyrecycling.com">www.valleyrecycling.com</a>	✓		✓	✓	✓ #1 Bottles & #2 Milk Jugs Only, Separate Bins
<b>Lakeside: Flathead County Site</b> (406) 758-5910 276 Stoner Creek, Open 8-5 Daily	✓		✓	✓	
<b>Somers: Flathead County Site</b> (406) 758-5910 863 Hwy. 82, Open 8-5 Daily	✓		✓	✓	
<b>Whitefish: City Residents and Businesses Only</b> <a href="http://www.cityofwhitefish.org/public-works/utilities.php">www.cityofwhitefish.org/public-works/utilities.php</a>	Please visit <a href="http://www.cityofwhitefish.org/public-works/utilities.php">www.cityofwhitefish.org/public-works/utilities.php</a> for location and information on what can be recycled in Whitefish.				

### CURBSIDE PICKUP (fee-based service, call to set up)

<b>Green Machines</b> (406) 755-8112 County Wide. Home and Business. <a href="http://valleygreenmachines.com">valleygreenmachines.com</a>	✓		✓	✓	✓ #1 Bottles & #2 Milk Jugs Only, Separate Bins
<b>North Valley Refuse</b> (406) 862-4381 Whitefish Only Home & Business	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

**DISCLAIMER:** Recycling collection policies are subject to change. Please check with recyclers or visit [www.wastenotproject.org](http://www.wastenotproject.org) for the most up-to-date recycling information.

## RECYCLE MORE

### SHIPPING and MAILING MATERIALS

**The UPS Store:** Kalispell: 755-8333, Whitefish: 862-8300  
**Whitefish Pottery Store:** 862-1417  
**Kettle Care Organics:** 257-6622

### COMPUTERS and ELECTRONICS

Call for prices as there may be fees.  
**Pacific Steel & Recycling:** 755-7011. No TVs or monitors.  
**Staples:** 257-8200. Computers & office equipment.  
**Best Buy:** 752-1300. Flatscreen TVs smaller than 50" only.

### INK and LASER CARTRIDGES

**Tonerport:** 257-4453. Free pick-up, no store front.  
**NW Ink & Toner:** 752-9110. 175 Hutton Ranch Rd. Ste 102, Kal.

### FLUORESCENTS and THERMOSTATS

Businesses must comply with State Law when disposing of tube fluorescents, ballasts & thermostats with mercury. Disposal by residents in trash is discouraged but not prohibited. For disposal tips check with vendors below or visit: [deq.mt.gov/Land/Recycle/Real\\_Question](http://deq.mt.gov/Land/Recycle/Real_Question)

**Dakota Supply Group:** Thermostats only: 752-1402  
**Flathead Electric:** CFLs only: 751-4483.  
**Ferguson:** Thermostats only: 756-7630.  
**Home Depot:** CFLs only: 755-5333  
**Lowe's Home Improvement:** CFLs only: 758-3030  
**Flathead Co. Landfill:** Thermostats only, ask at gate. 758-5910.

### BATTERIES (RECHARGEABLE ONLY)

**Batteries Plus:** 890-2150, Kalispell  
**Best Buy:** 752-1300, Kalispell  
**Home Depot:** 755-5333, Kalispell  
**Lowe's Home Improvement:** 758-3030, Kalispell  
**Montana Ace Hardware:** 755-9701, Kalispell

### APPLIANCES

**Flathead Co. Landfill:** 758-5910. Doors must be removed from fridges & freezers. Microwaves for trash only.  
**Pacific Steel & Recycling:** 755-7011. Only appliances without freon. No microwaves.

### JUNK VEHICLES and TIRES

**Flathead Co. Landfill:** Call for price on tires. 758-5910  
**Pacific Steel & Recycling:** Cars only, no tires. 755-7011  
**For auto parts and fluids recycling information,** please visit [WasteNotProject.org](http://WasteNotProject.org).



\***PLASTICS:** There are seven different types of plastic. A recycling symbol with a number in the center printed on each container determines the type. Only plastics #1 or #2 can be recycled locally.

**GLASS:** Glass recycling has been suspended in the Flathead Valley as of 12/10/18.

## HANDYMAN SERVICES

**A 2 Z Handi Services:** 406-249-3439

**Any Home Service, Inc.**  
406-257-9999 [www.any-home-service.com](http://www.any-home-service.com)

**Flathead Home Repair & Remodel**  
406-471-1634 [www.flatheadhomerepair.com](http://www.flatheadhomerepair.com)

**General Handyman Services LLC**  
406-212-7206

**Hutch's Handyman Services:** 406-892-3050

**Montana Affordable Services, LLC**  
406-314-7271 [www.maffordableservices.com](http://www.maffordableservices.com)

**Pinnacle Property Maintenance**  
785-979-0809 [www.pinnaclepeace.com](http://www.pinnaclepeace.com)

**Pioneer Property Solutions**  
406-261-6002 [pioneerpropertysolutions.com](http://pioneerpropertysolutions.com)

**Providence Handyman:** 406-314-9431

**Shield's Construction**  
406-261-2091 [www.shieldsconstruction.net](http://www.shieldsconstruction.net)

**Stafford Home Improvement**  
406-253-7500 [flatheadhomeimprovement.com](http://flatheadhomeimprovement.com)

**Valley Maintenance**  
8000 MT Hwy 35 Ste #1, Bigfork  
406-837-6679 [www.valleymaintenance.com](http://www.valleymaintenance.com)

## FURNITURE RESTORATION & REFINISHING

**Andrew Harvey Woodworking**  
406-755-7998 [www.designwood.biz](http://www.designwood.biz)

**Ridgeline Innovations**  
415 West Montana St, Kalispell  
406-756-2151 [www.ridgelineinno.com](http://www.ridgelineinno.com)

**Big Sky Chem Dry Upholstery Cleaning**  
1034 Whitefish Stage Rd, Kalispell  
406-204-7112 [www.bigskychemdryofkalispell.com](http://www.bigskychemdryofkalispell.com)

## UPHOLSTERERS

**Buccella's Upholstery**  
380 Lore Lake Rd, Kalispell 406-755-4539

**Cal's Upholstery**  
1007 Conn Rd, Columbia Falls 406-212-3247

**Felt Upholstery and Canvas**  
147 Sylvan Dr, Bigfork 406-837-3358

**Loose Ends Upholstery LLC**  
1075 Trumble Creek Rd, Kalispell  
406-755-2590 [www.looseendsupholstery.com](http://www.looseendsupholstery.com)

**Lowitz Custom Shoppe**  
302 2nd St W, Kalispell  
406-755-3200 [www.lowitzcustomshoppe.com](http://www.lowitzcustomshoppe.com)

**Ridgeline Innovations**  
415 West Montana St, Kalispell  
406-756-2151 [www.ridgelineinno.com](http://www.ridgelineinno.com)

**Wicked Interiors & Upholstery**  
3955C Hwy 35, Creston 406-253-7370

## TOOL RENTAL

**Bigfork Rentals, Inc.**  
275 Hwy 83, Bigfork  
406-837-2404 [www.bigforkrentalsinc.com](http://www.bigforkrentalsinc.com)

**Big Sky Rents**  
150 Frontage Park, Kalispell  
406-756-2759 [www.bigskyrentsmt.com](http://www.bigskyrentsmt.com)

**Midway Rental**  
2414 US Hwy 2 East, Kalispell  
406-758-2022 [www.midwayrental.com](http://www.midwayrental.com)

**WBC Do It Best Rental Center**  
1745 3rd Ave E, Kalispell  
406-755-6411 [www.westernbuildingcenter.com](http://www.westernbuildingcenter.com)

## TAILOR SERVICES

**Brass Bobbin**  
315 E Center St. #A, Kalispell 406-257-0565

**Imperial Dry Cleaners & Laundromat**  
Kalispell, Evergreen, & Bigfork locations  
406-755-2002 [www.kalispell-cleaners.com](http://www.kalispell-cleaners.com)

**Masonized Dry Cleaning**  
228 2nd St. West, Kalispell 406-257-9164

**Seamstress for Hire**  
319 Forest Hill Village, Kalispell 406-249-2432

**Sew-n-Sew**  
211 Liberty St, Kalispell 406-314-0174

**SEWright321**  
280 Two Mile Dr. Apt. C, Kalispell  
406-260-2787 [www.sewwright321.com](http://www.sewwright321.com)

## LEATHER & SHOE REPAIR

**Big Sky Chem Dry Leather Cleaning**  
1034 Whitefish Stage Rd, Kalispell  
406-204-7112 [www.bigskychemdryofkalispell.com](http://www.bigskychemdryofkalispell.com)

**Valley Boot & Saddle**  
771 North Meridian Rd, Kalispell  
406-756-2668

## TOOL REPAIR & SHARPENING

**First Choice Repair & Sharpen**  
55 West Reserve Dr, Kalispell 406-257-3946

**Montana Mobile Sharpening**  
406-890-3906 [www.montanasharp.com](http://www.montanasharp.com)

**Montana Precision Sharpening**  
1530 Lake Blaine Rd, Kalispell 406-755-9520

**Master Tech Equipment Repair**  
30 9th St East, Columbia Falls 406-892-0107

**Northwest Tool Repair**  
1000 Baker Avenue, Whitefish  
406-862-6275 [northwesttoolrepairmt.com](http://northwesttoolrepairmt.com)

**Saw Performance Specialist**  
5322 US Hwy 2 W, Columbia Falls  
406-892-1347 [www.missoulasaws.com](http://www.missoulasaws.com)

**Sliters Hardware**  
8050 MT-35, Bigfork  
406-837-5070 [www.sliters.com](http://www.sliters.com)

**Western Building Center**  
Multiple locations  
[www.westernbuildingcenter.com](http://www.westernbuildingcenter.com)

## ELECTRONICS REPAIR

**All Electronics Services Center Inc**  
3318 Hwy 2 E, Kalispell  
406-756-7656 [www.tvrepairmontana.com](http://www.tvrepairmontana.com)

**Batteries Plus**  
215 W Idaho St., Kalispell  
406-890-2150 [www.batteriesplus.com](http://www.batteriesplus.com)

**Kalispell Cell Phone Repair**  
2243 Hwy 2 E Unit B, Kalispell  
406-257-2348 [www.cprmt.com](http://www.cprmt.com)

**Norm's Classic Radio**  
406-212-0059 [normsclassicroadio.freewebspace.com](http://normsclassicroadio.freewebspace.com)

**Photo Video Plus Photo & VHS Restoration**  
284 4th Ave WN, Kalispell  
406-752-6708 [www.photovideoplus.com](http://www.photovideoplus.com)

## MUSICAL INSTRUMENT REPAIR

**Flathead Woodwind & Brass**  
2181 Hwy 2 East, Ste. 12, Kalispell  
406-755-9201 [www.flatheadwwbrass.com](http://www.flatheadwwbrass.com)

**Music One Workshop**  
310 S Main St., Kalispell  
406-752-1215 [www.musiconeworkshop.com](http://www.musiconeworkshop.com)

**Russ Larson Music:** 406-885-3324

## SPORTING GOODS REPAIR & TUNE UPS

**Sportsman & Ski Haus**  
145 Hutton Ranch Rd., Kalispell  
406-755-6484 [www.sportsmanskihaus.com](http://www.sportsmanskihaus.com)

**Rocky Mountain Outfitter**  
135 S. Main St., Kalispell  
406-752-2446 [www.rockymountainoutfitter.com](http://www.rockymountainoutfitter.com)

## BIKE REPAIR & SERVICE

**Wheaton's Cycle**  
214 1st Ave West, Kalispell  
406-257-5808 [www.wheatonscycle.com](http://www.wheatonscycle.com)

**Glacier Cyclery & Nordic**  
326 2nd St East, Whitefish  
406-862-6446 [www.glaciercyclery.com](http://www.glaciercyclery.com)

**Great Northern Cycle & Ski**  
328 Central Ave, Whitefish  
406-862-5321 [www.gncycleski.com](http://www.gncycleski.com)

## APPLIANCE REPAIR

**Action Appliance Repair:** 406-270-2902  
Serving Bigfork, Lakeside & Creston

**Airworks Heating & Cooling Solutions**  
294 2nd Ave WN, Kalispell  
406-257-1341 [www.airworksmt.com](http://www.airworksmt.com)

**Biggs Home Refrigeration**  
406-755-6161 [www.biggsomerefrigeration.com](http://www.biggsomerefrigeration.com)

**Bob's Appliance Repair**  
406-260-4008 [www.bobsappliance.com](http://www.bobsappliance.com)

**Brad's Appliance Services:** 406-857-6727

**Bud Block's Service & Appliance**  
9 S Meridian Rd, Kalispell  
406-755-4515 [www.budblockappliance.com](http://www.budblockappliance.com)

**Cates Appliance Sales & Repair**  
1011 E Idaho St, Kalispell  
406-756-1239  
[www.catesappliance.com](http://www.catesappliance.com)

**Larry's Appliance Service**  
406-752-7667



## COMPUTER REPAIR

**Allied Computing** – *Apple products only*  
233 2nd St. West, Kalispell  
406-755-8562 [www.alliedcomputing.com](http://www.alliedcomputing.com)

**Byte Savvy LLC**  
280 4th Ave W N, Kalispell  
406-257-3394 [www.bytesavvy.com](http://www.bytesavvy.com)

**Complete Technical Solutions**  
43 Woodland Park Dr. #4, Kalispell  
406-756-6100 [complete-technical-solutions.business.site](http://complete-technical-solutions.business.site)

**Frank's Computer Software Repair**  
406-204-1910 [frankcomputersoftwarerepair.weebly.com](http://frankcomputersoftwarerepair.weebly.com)

**Geek Squad Kalispell**  
2407 Hwy 93 N, Kalispell (Inside Best Buy)  
406-752-1300 [stores.bestbuy.com/mt/kalispell.html](http://stores.bestbuy.com/mt/kalispell.html)

**JBUR Solutions**  
On-Site/Pickup  
406-756-5765 [www.jbursolutions.com](http://www.jbursolutions.com)

**MicroSolutions Computers**  
1005 Baker Ave. Ste. E, Whitefish  
406-862-0399 [www.microsolutions-inc.com](http://www.microsolutions-inc.com)

**Montana Technical Solutions**  
Located in Kalispell Center Mall  
406-755-3331 [montecsolutions.com](http://montecsolutions.com)

**MontanaSky Networks**  
1286 Burns Way, Kalispell  
406-752-4335 [deals.montanasky.net](http://deals.montanasky.net)

**Nelson Technologies & Support**  
422 Nucleus Ave, Columbia Falls  
406-892-1687 [www.nelsontechsupport.com](http://www.nelsontechsupport.com)

**Radioactive**  
35 Heritage Way, Kalispell  
406-257-5999 [www.radioactiveinc.com](http://www.radioactiveinc.com)



## DIY REPAIR ONLINE GUIDES

[www.ifixit.com](http://www.ifixit.com)  
Comprehensive online community with  
repair guides, tools, and parts.

[www.partselect.com](http://www.partselect.com)  
Replacement parts and repair guides for  
appliances, lawn equipment, & electronics.

[www.appliancerepair.net](http://www.appliancerepair.net)  
Manuals for repairing most appliances.

[www.bicycletutor.com/guide](http://www.bicycletutor.com/guide)  
How-to guides for bicycle repairs.

[www.repairsuniverse.com](http://www.repairsuniverse.com)  
Repair guides and replacement  
parts for mobile devices.

[www.gearaid.com/blogs/learn](http://www.gearaid.com/blogs/learn)  
Repair and maintenance products and  
instructions for outdoor gear.

[www.acmehowto.com](http://www.acmehowto.com)  
How-to guides for household repairs  
and home improvement.

[www.water-heater-repair-guide.com](http://www.water-heater-repair-guide.com)  
Guide for identifying and diagnosing  
issues with water heaters.

[www.fixitclub.com](http://www.fixitclub.com)  
Online guides for repair projects of all kinds.

[www.repairclinic.com](http://www.repairclinic.com)  
Parts and guides for repairing household items.

[www.allfreesewing.com](http://www.allfreesewing.com)  
Free patterns and tutorials for sewing projects  
and common alterations.

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Learn more about the  
**WasteNot Project**

at [www.wastenotproject.org](http://www.wastenotproject.org)  
*Working to reduce waste and increase  
recycling in the Flathead since 1993*

Fix-It Flathead is an offshoot of the WasteNot Project. Often it is easier to throw an item away than to find someone who can fix it. We aim to change that.

### Why Repair?

**Repair Is Better Than Recycling**  
Making things last longer is both more efficient and more cost effective than mining them for raw materials.

**Repair Saves You Money**  
Fixing things is usually cheaper than replacing them. Doing the repair yourself saves even more money.

**Repair Teaches Engineering**  
The best way to find out how something works is to take it apart.

**If You Can't Fix It, You Don't Own It**  
Repair connects people with their stuff, creating bonds that transcend consumption.

**Repair is Sustainable**  
It keeps your stuff in use, out of the landfill.

Do you know anyone you think should be mentioned in this guide? Send us your favorite repair shops. Has someone on this list gone out of business? Let us know.



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## FIX-IT LOCAL GUIDE

Your Guide to Local Repairs

