

Where Are We Now?

The Frederick County landfill is filling up, so most of our waste is currently being trucked out of state to other landfills. While many of Frederick's citizens use the range of recycling services in place, more can be done to reduce the amount of waste produced in the county and to find sustainable alternatives to disposal in landfills.

In 2013, Frederick County generated approximately



427,000

total tons of waste

of which **271,000** tons are MRA waste.ⁱ



Frederick County currently offers a range of recycling services and solid waste management initiatives to residents and businesses:

- Residential, single-stream contracted curbside recyclables collection program
- Single-stream recycling drop-off center
- Single-stream recyclables transfer operation
- Drop-off site recycling programs for other materials, including automotive materials, scrap metal, appliances, electronics, flexible foam, and bulky rigid plastics
- Four municipal recycling drop-off centers
- The county's only public landfill facility
- Waste transfer operations
- Special disposal programs
- Environmental compliance
- Health and safety compliance

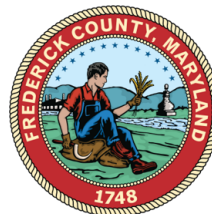
What's Next?

We're currently exploring new approaches to solid waste management. We welcome your input at a series of upcoming public forums that will help shape the future of solid waste management in Frederick County.

For public forum dates and times, visit:

www.frederickcountymd.gov/6489/Solid-Waste---Whats-Next

For more information on the waste reduction, recycling, and other disposal options available in Frederick County, take a look at the *Residents' Guide to Solid Waste Management in Frederick County* available at: www.FrederickCountyMD.gov/WasteManagement.



ⁱMRA (Maryland Recycling Act) waste = Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) plus industrial waste from non-private, industrial waste landfills.

ⁱⁱRecycling rate based on MRA waste and MRA recyclables.

ⁱⁱⁱSource Reduction Credits for promoting waste reduction.