

# WEST GOSHEN

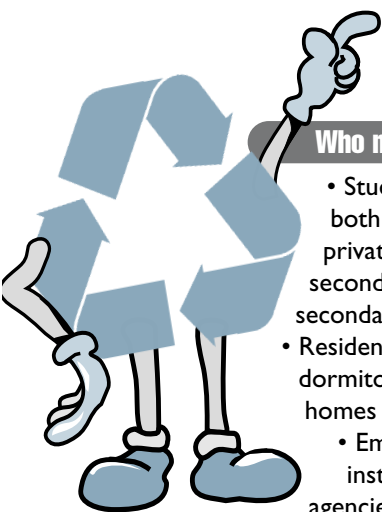


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## Recycling is Mandatory in West Goshen Township



### Who must recycle?

- Students/staff of both public and private primary, secondary, and post-secondary schools
- Residents of hospitals, dormitories, and nursing homes
- Employees of institutions, public agencies, commercial entities, and industry

- Owners of restaurants, shopping centers, stores, office buildings, and factories
- Persons living in single family homes, condominiums, townhouses, or apartments

### Who must have a Recycle Program?

- **Commercial properties:** stores, markets, office buildings, restaurants, and shopping centers
- **Industrial properties:** factories, foundries, processing plants, and warehouses
- **Institutions:** hospitals, nursing homes, private and public schools and universities
- **Public agencies:** government agencies, authorities, and councils
- **Multi-unit residences:** apartment buildings with four or more units and condominium associations

Each owner, operator, or administrator of one of the previously mentioned entities is required to provide to each occupant, employee, patron, or resident written material describing the organization's recycling program. Written instructions should clearly define what materials are to be recycled, how the materials are to be prepared, and how the collection system works.

The recycling containers must be easily accessible and suitable for the type of material that is being collected.

### What materials must be recycled?

**Commercial, municipal, and institutional establishments** must provide, at a minimum, for the separation and recycling of the following materials:

- Computer paper and white bond/copier/letterhead paper
- Corrugated cardboard
- Aluminum cans

Educational facilities should provide for separation and collection of recyclable materials in classrooms, administrative offices, cafeterias, and dormitories.

**Multi-unit Residences** (apartment buildings and condominiums) must provide, at a minimum, for the separation of and recycling of the following materials:

- Clear glass
- Aluminum cans
- Newsprint

## Harvest Celebration

Sunday, October 27  
at Coopersmith Park  
2:00 - 4:00

Ride a haycart into the woods, pick a pumpkin and decorate it, bring old clothes and enter the scarecrow making contest (straw will be supplied), and guess the weight of the Township's largest pumpkin (if you get it right, you don't have to transport it home). There will be apple cider, light refreshments, and a musical duo to entertain you.

Event is limited to Township residents. Preregister at [www.westgoshen.org](http://www.westgoshen.org) or by calling the Township, 610.696.5266, ext. 4141. Please bring a donation for the Community Service Council of Chester County in the form of soap, diapers, toilet paper, feminine products, toothpaste, or shampoo.

This event occurs rain or shine. ★

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# township information

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911 or 610.696.7400  
(Fax) 610.696.3935  
[police@westgoshe.org](mailto:police@westgoshe.org)  
Michael J. Carroll, *Chief of Police*

## SEWER TREATMENT PLANT

848 S. Concord Rd., W.C., 19382  
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## TOWNSHIP PARKS

Barker Park  
*Falcon Lane by Westtown Road*  
Coopersmith Park  
*Spring Lane, off West Chester Pike*  
Hallowell Park  
*404 North Five Points Road*  
West Goshen Community Park  
*Fern Hill & North Five Points Roads*

## Township Galleries Exhibits

<b>October</b>	Faculty members from the West Chester University Department of Fine Arts
<b>November</b>	PhotoGroup
<b>December</b>	To be announced
<b>January</b>	To be announced

Work can be viewed weekdays between 8:00 AM and 4:30 PM. Evening hours vary; call Receptionist for times. A public reception is held at the beginning of each month with artists on hand and refreshments; see our web site [www.westgoshe.org](http://www.westgoshe.org) or call 610.696.5266, ext. 4104, for date and time. ★

## Dogs in the Township

Township law requires that a person who owns, keeps, or has a dog must have the dog confined in an enclosure from which it cannot escape or have the dog secured by a collar and chain, so that it cannot stray beyond the premises. When engaged in exhibition or field training, dogs are required to be under the reasonable control of a person.

When in Township parks, dogs **MUST** be on a leash that is not more than (8) feet in length. Please be considerate of others. ★

## Recycling is Mandatory

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**Single Unit Residences** must recycle, at a minimum:

- Clear glass
- Aluminum cans
- Newspaper

Our current trash hauler allows for the recycling of these additional materials as well: colored glass; steel and tin cans; plastics 1 & 2; white bond/copier paper; computer paper; telephone books, junk mail, and magazines; and non-corrugated cardboard. ★

For more information on the recycling requirements, contact 610.696.5266, ext. 4304 or [twp@westgoshe.org](mailto:twp@westgoshe.org)

# Drought Emergency

Due to Chester County still being in a Drought Emergency status, the following restrictions apply:

**Watering lawns:** Homeowners cannot water (both private wells and public water sources) their lawn unless it has been seeded or sodded within the last 12 months, in which case it can be watered between 5:00 PM and 9:00 AM by a hand-held hose that has an automatic shut-off nozzle. Professional Landscapers may water newly seeded or sodded lawns during working hours.

**Washing of personal vehicle:** Odd street addresses may wash on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of the month; even number addresses on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays by using a hose with an automatic shutoff nozzle and with a total spray period not to exceed (2) minutes. Those individuals who observe the Sabbath may submit an Application for Variance to the PA Department of Environmental Protection requesting Sunday as the permissible day.

Commercial car washes are allowed. Professional mobile wash businesses may

wash vehicles. Non-profit groups may wash vehicles as part of a fundraising activity on any weekday, but must follow the (2) minute spray provision.

**Washing of Residential Decks, Patios, Sidewalks, Garages, etc.:** These areas cannot be cleaned by hosing with water unless they are associated with a commercial food service.

**Watering Outdoor Plants during the Day:** Homeowners may water trees, vegetable gardens, shrubs, and landscaped areas between 5:00 PM and 9:00 AM by a hand-held hose that has an automatic shut-off nozzle. Professional Landscapers may water during working hours.

Officers of local and state police departments as well as the county fire marshal are charged with enforcing these restrictions. First violations can be fined as much as \$200 and subsequent offenses carry a fine up to \$500.

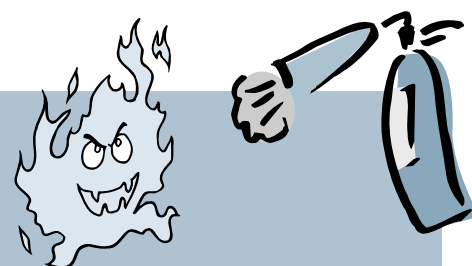
Excellent websites are  
[www.DEPA.state.pa.us](http://www.DEPA.state.pa.us) and  
[www.noaa.gov](http://www.noaa.gov) ★

## PUBLIC TOWNSHIP MEETINGS

	Board of Supervisors	Park and Recreation	Planning Commission	Sewer Authority	Zoning Hearing
	4:00 PM	7:00 PM	7:00 PM	7:30 PM	7:30 PM
<b>October</b>	9 & 23	16	15	9	10
<b>November</b>	13 & 20	20	19	13	14
<b>December</b>	11	none	17	11	12
<b>January</b>	6*, 8 & 22	15	21	8	9

All meetings are held in the Township Administration building except the Sewer Authority, which is conducted at the Sewer Treatment Plant at 848 South Concord Road. There is a public comment period at each meeting.

\*Annual Organization Meeting at which select positions and board and commission members are appointed. This meeting begins at 5:00 PM and is open to the public. Refreshments will follow.



## Watch Out For Fires This Fall

Call now to have your chimney and wood stove cleaned – built up debris clogs flues and can catch fire.

Install smoke detectors in hallway of bedroom areas, top of stairwells, and in living areas – not in a kitchen.

Install a carbon monoxide detector – CO is produced when natural gas, oil, coal, wood, or kerosene, is not burning properly.

Have your furnace or boiler checked and serviced each fall – malfunctioning units can cause fires.

Take time to clean off built up grease in ovens – especially restaurants and commercial kitchens.

Clean out smoke detectors with vacuum cleaner – Disable automatic unit, prior to doing so.

Talk to your household members, especially younger and older members about escape procedures – establish rules about candles, oil lamps, and kerosene heaters.





# Residential Waste & Recycling Guide

## Trash

(Mondays/Thursdays)

Maximum of (4) 32 gallon cans per pick-up or its equivalent in trash bags. Place at curbside before 6:00 AM or night before; trash pick-up completed by 5:00 PM. Leaves, shrubbery and tree trimmings, and garden residue should never be placed with regular trash.



## Recycling

(Mondays)

There is no maximum limit.

Newspapers/mixed paper (newsprint, junk mail, magazines, telephone books) bagged in paper bags or tied. No tissues, paper towels, napkins, or corrugated cardboard.

Aluminum, steel, tin cans; plastics (#1 and #2); and clear/colored glass. Clean jars and bottles; throw lids in general trash (due to plastic coating on inside of most lids); no plate glass, light bulbs, drinking glasses, or mirrors. Cans and jars must be placed in a West Goshen Township plastic recycle bucket or a trash can that has a Township recycle sticker affixed to it.

Recycle stickers are free and may be obtained from the Township. If you have moved into new construction, you may obtain recycle buckets at no cost at the Township Administration building. If you are replacing missing or broken buckets, they must be purchased at \$6.00 a piece. The Township suggests that you mark each bucket with your street and house number.

## Bulk Trash

(1st Thursday of month)

A bulk item is an item, which two people can lift; one item per month; refrigerators, air conditioners, and other freon containing items must be tagged that freon has been removed. No building materials, railroad ties, automotive parts, or tires. If unsure call the trash hauler, BFI, at 610-869-2222.

### ■ NO TRASH/RECYCLE SERVICE...

- New Year's Day
- Memorial Day
- Fourth of July
- Labor Day
- Thanksgiving
- Christmas Day

If a collection day falls on a holiday, collection will occur on the next regularly scheduled collection day. Bulk trash day will be rescheduled for the 2nd Thursday of the month.



## Residential Waste & Recycling Guide

### Leaf Pick-up

(November 2 and 16,  
and December 7)

Leaves should be placed in biodegradable bags or trash cans. If using plastic bags, provide a container in which bags may be left. Trash hauler will not rip open untied bags, allowing them to be used again. There is no limit to the number of bags.



### Yard Waste & Leaf Pick-up

(2 Saturdays in April)

Yard waste should be tied in bundles with sticks no more than 4' in length and 4" in diameter. Leaves should be handled as described above. Dates for yard waste collection change each year. They will be listed on the sewer/trash bill and in the quarterly Township newsletter.

### Recycle Your Holiday Trees

Christmas trees will be accepted at the Township Building from January 6 - 17. Remove all tinsel, decorations, and plastic bags from trees and no wreaths.

If you left your tree for the trash hauler in previous years, consider giving our landfills a break and transporting it to the Township to be chipped. By utilizing a "Tree Removal Bag," which may be found at hardware stores, it will help contain the needles, making transport easy and clean. Just remember to remove the bag when leaving it at the Township.

## Household Hazardous Waste

On several Saturdays from April through October, there are drop-off sites for the following materials:

#### AUTOMOTIVE

Carburetor Cleaner  
Fuel Additives  
Transmission/Brake Fluids  
Antifreeze  
Gasoline  
Empty Motor Oil Bottles  
Grease/Rust Solvents

#### OUTDOOR

Driveway Sealer  
Caulking Compounds  
Roof Cements  
Joint Compounds  
Pool Chemicals  
Septic Tank Degreasers  
Weed Killer

#### PAINT PRODUCTS

Oil-Based Paint  
Paint Thinners/Stains  
Varnish/Shellac  
Stripper/Remover  
Adhesives/Solvents

#### HOUSEHOLD

Household Batteries  
Drain Openers  
Rug/Wood/Metal Cleaners  
Mothballs/Flakes  
Spot Removers  
Smoke Alarms  
Kerosene

#### OTHER

Acids/Caustics/Solvents  
Flammables/Oxidizers  
Lead/Mercury/Asbestos  
Pesticides/Poisons  
Organic Peroxide  
Reactive Metals  
Gas Cylinders max. 20#s

#### Unacceptable HHW Items

Tires  
Car Batteries  
Used Motor Oil  
Unidentified Waste  
Pressurized CFAs and HCFSs  
Dioxin  
Latex (water based) Paint  
Explosives/Ammunition  
Infectious/Medical Waste  
Commercial/Industrial Waste

\*Call 610-344-6692 for recycling locations for automotive related materials or visit the Chester County web site, [www.chesco.org/health/dswml.html](http://www.chesco.org/health/dswml.html).

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**Township offices closed  
on November 28 and 29,  
December 25, and  
January 1; open until  
noon on December 24.**

**No trash service on  
November 28; pick-up  
resumes on December 2.**

## Saturday Nights at the Movies

<b>October 19</b>	<b>Scooby-Doo</b>	<b>Community Park*</b>
<b>October 26</b>	<b>Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone</b>	<b>Community Park*</b>

\* Inclement weather site: Township Administration Building.  
Call 610-696-5266 or visit [www.westgoshe.org](http://www.westgoshe.org) after  
6:00 PM for location determination.

All movies begin at 7:00 PM. Seating is limited for indoor showings, so come early! Admission is FREE! Guests are encouraged to bring dry good donations (i.e., soap, shampoo, toilet paper, diapers, deodorant, laundry detergent, etc.) for the Community Service Council of Chester County. ★

## Falling Leaves

Leaf burning in the Township is prohibited. Instead, mow leaves to allow them to decompose back into the lawn or bag them for the Leaf Pick-up dates (see insert).

Burning of all materials and in any manner (open or burn barrel) is prohibited at this time due to burning ban set by County officials. Municipal

police officers are enforcing this ban and can fine violators.

Outdoor fires, which are used to cook food, are still permitted.

If you have questions, please contact the Township Fire Marshal, Ralph Brown, at 610.696.5266, ext. 4114. ★

## Trick-or-Treat!

In West Goshen Township, the local authorities do not set the date and hours of trick-or-treating; therefore, use your discretion with regard to this activity.



## Thanks

The West Goshen Township Park and Recreation Department wishes to thank all the volunteers, participants, and sponsors who made possible another successful Summer Concert Series and Community Day. Corporate sponsors for the Summer Concert Series include: Commerce Bank, Goshen Manor/Goshen Terrace, Park Valley Associates, QVC, Faulkner Auto of West Chester, Comcast Advertising, PECO Energy, and West Goshen Sunoco. The Community Day performance by The Fabulous Greaseband was sponsored by Commerce Bank. ★