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3R Recycling Drive-thru saves more than 17,000 pounds from landfill

THE WOODLANDS, TEXAS (December 3, 2020) – Several hundred residents of The Woodlands participated in the 3R Drive-thru recycling event on Saturday, November 14, 2020, from 9 a.m. to noon at The Woodlands High School. More than 750 vehicles drove through the event for free recycling of select items and secure document shredding.

With the help of local partner organizations, more than 17,000 pounds of material was collected for recycling including 9,547 pounds of shredded paper by Shred It, 5,114 pounds of batteries by U-Waste Recycling Solutions, 2,692 pounds of textiles by Simple Recycling, 1,800 pairs of eyeglasses by The Woodlands Lions Club, 100 pounds of oral care products and two pounds of disposable razors by Junior Girl Scout Troop #108094, 10 pounds of snack and drink pouches by Hailey Elementary PTA and Wilkerson Intermediate PTO, and 1,200 cubic feet of block Styrofoam.

\$2,534 and 1,010 pounds of canned food items were also collected and donated to Interfaith of The Woodlands Food Pantry. Volunteers from National Charity League Texas Laurels (NCL) and National Charity Roundtable (NCR) assisted with event operations.

Woodlands residents saved **over 17,000lbs** from the landfill at the 2020 event!

- 1,800** PAIRS OF EYE GLASSES. Collected by The Woodlands Lions Club
- 100** LBS OF ORAL CARE PRODUCTS. Collected by Junior Girl Scout Troop #1188084
- 2,692** LBS OF TEXTILES. Collected by Jumper Recycling
- 5,114** LBS OF BATTERIES. Collected by The Woodlands Township
- 9,547** LBS OF PAPER. Shredded by Shred It

Recycling Village Challenge Results

Place	Village	Award
1	Grogans Mill	\$1,000
2	Alden Bridge	\$850
3	College Park	\$750
4	Creekside Park	\$400
5	Cochrans Crossing	\$400
6	Indian Springs	\$400
7	Sterling Ridge	\$400
8	Panther Creek	\$400

The 2020 Recycling Village Challenge item was batteries. The Woodlands G.R.E.E.N., a local 501 (c)(3) education organization that promotes natural resource conservation, awards money to each village scholarship program based on pounds of batteries collected.

Between annual 3R events, residents are encouraged to recycle rechargeable batteries at the Montgomery County Precinct 3 Recycling Facility (Montgomery County residents only), Batteries Plus Bulbs, Best Buy, Home Depot, Lowe's or a Walmart Super Center. Single-use alkaline batteries can be recycled at Batteries Plus Bulbs or the Precinct 3 Recycling Facility. For more opportunities to recycle items not accepted in curbside recycling carts please check out the [Recycle More Guide](#).

The 3R Drive-thru is a free program of The Woodlands Township Environmental Services Department with sponsorship from Chevron Phillips Chemical, Waste Management, Woodlands Water, Woodlands G.R.E.E.N. and Woodlands Wholesale Nursery. For more information about recycling, please visit www.thewoodlandstownship-tx.gov/recycling or contact the Township Environmental Services Department at enviro@thewoodlandstownship-tx.gov.