

Thurston Solid Waste News

July / August 2025

Spring event recaps, upcoming summer fun, & MRC training, oh my!





Upcoming — Can this be Recycled? presentation

This audience-driven session is all about answering your recycling questions. We invite you to bring in items you're unsure about and get expert advice on which waste stream they belong to.

When: Wed., August 27, from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Where: LeMay Pacific Disposal

2904 Hogum Bay Rd NE, Lacey, WA 98516



Recycling Specialist, Hope, gives a presentation at Kenneydell Lodge.

Recap — Fix-It Fair

On April 16, we held our second community Fix-It Fair in collaboration with Lacey MakerSpace!

Here's what was accomplished together:

- 27 volunteers donated their time & skills
- 77 attendees brought in 113 items
- 92 items successfully repaired
- 87% repair success rate
- 800 pounds of items saved from the landfill!

Thank you to everyone who participated! Visit <u>thurstonsolidwaste.org/fixit</u> to learn more about our next Fix-It Fair on Wednesday, November 5.

Recap — Earth Day Celebration!

We had a blast seeing the Thurston County community come out to celebrate our planet on April 19!

From getting hands-on with Touch-a-Bus and Touch-a-Truck, where kids (and adults!) explored vehicles up close, to planting native wildflowers that help support local pollinators, to learning how to keep our waterways clean, it was a day filled with fun and learning!



Earth Day participants get up close with a LeMay garbage truck.

Recap — Free compost giveaway

On May 3, Thurston County residents showed up big time to celebrate International Compost Awareness Week! Thanks to a generous donation from Brady Trucking, locals picked up an entire 20 cubic yards of finished compost (in one hour!) — made from their very own food and yard waste.



Thurston County residents attend the 2025 Compost Giveaway event.

Questions?

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Are you passionate about recycling, waste reduction, and composting? Do you want to serve our Thurston County community as a volunteer?







MASTER RECYCLER COMPOSTER

VOLUNTEER

Training

Twice a month
October 2025 - March 2026
FRIDAYS, 10 AM - 1 PM



- Training Cost \$25
- Application opens August 1
- Applicants must be 18 years of age or older, and either live, work, or operate a business in Thurston County.

For more information and to apply, please visit our website:

www.extension.wsu.edu/thurston/gardening/mc/



