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## BERKELEY COUNTY - PROGRAM -

**OUR LITTER HITS CLOSE TO HOME!** 

Help us fight open dumping in our county



#### **BERKELEY COUNTY SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY**

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**Office Hours** Monday – Friday 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

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Berkeley County WV Recycling Facebook Solid Waste Authority

#### HELP BERKELEY COUNTY **CLEAN UP - IT'S EASY!**

We need your help keeping our county clean! Let's fight our legacy of illegal burning, littering and open dumping.

#### Together we can:

- Maintain a beautiful and healthy place for our children to live.
- Make Berkeley County an attractive location for business, leisure, and quality living.
- Protect our valuable land and water resources.
- Reduce taxes spent on cleanup programs.
- Provide environmentally safe disposal of solid waste.
- Protect the ground and surface water from improper solid waste handling.
- File a formal litter complaint, by visiting www.berkeleycountyrecycling.com and follow the "LITTER COMPLAINT" tab. Then. complete the form and your complaint will be reviewed by law enforcement.

#### TO KEEP WEST VIRGINIA "WILD AND WONDERFUL"

**Mandatory Proof of Garbage Disposal** (WV Code §22C-4-10)

Fach household and business must do one of the following:

- Subscribe to, pay for, and use a garbage collection service.
- Provide proof they have properly disposed of their garbage at an approved solid waste facility.

#### Illegal Dumping

(WV Code §22-15-10, §22-14-14, §22-11-24)

- No one may "create, contribute to, or operate an open dump" or allow one to exist on his or her property.
- Violators of this law will face civil penalties of up to \$5,000 a day and criminal penalties of \$100-\$50,000 a day and up to three years in prison.

#### Illegal Trash Burning (CSR §45-6-3)

- The open burning (burn barrels and/ or piles) of refuse by any person is prohibited. Refusal to comply may result in a Notice of Violation and/or a fine up to \$10,000 per day.
- Materials illegal to open burn include any household trash, paper products, lumber, flooring, roofing material, carpet, plastic, Styrofoam, wood pallets, tires, paint, oil or other refuse.

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Every year, Americans generate 250 million tons of trash, with 134 million tons ending up in a landfill or an incinerator. Recycling does make a difference! Recycling one ton of aluminum cans conserves the equivalent to 1,665 gallons of gasoline!

Berkeley County has three recycling locations where you can help make a difference:

Grapevine Road Recycling Center 870 Grapevine Rd., Martinsburg 304-671-2979

Days of Operation: Monday through Saturday: 9am to 5pm

South Berkeley Recycling Center 637 Pilgrim St., Inwood • 304-671-2925 Days of Operation: Tuesday through Saturday: 9am to 5pm

> Hedgesville Recycling Center Eagle Plaza, Hedgesville Days of Operation: Saturday Only: 9am to 5pm

## BERKELEY COUNTY ROADSIDE LITTER PROGRAM



To aid in the combat of roadside litter, Berkeley County has created a roadside litter pickup program. The purpose of the program is to cleanup roadside litter utilizing individuals assigned community service by the courts. Individuals assigned to the program may avoid sentencing or fines. By doing so, the program has the benefits of reducing incarceration costs, restores community pride and builds a foundation of individual self-worth.

The program has a lot of moving parts. It takes cooperation from the Berkeley County Court System, Berkeley County Council, Berkeley County Marshal Service, Berkeley County Solid Waste Authority, Apple Valley Waste, Entsorga West Virginia and the WV-Department of Environmental Protection.

In its first 18 months, the program has removed over 3,613+ bags of roadside litter and over 1,933+ bulky items (tires, appliances, etc.) from over 662 miles of roads. It has been estimated this represents the equivalent of over 154,000+ pounds of trash.

To recommend a road for cleaning,
please visit the
Berkeley County Solid Waste Authority website
at www.berkeleycountyrecycling.com

### BERKELEY COUNTY STREAM CLEANUP PROGRAM



As funding allows, the Berkeley County Solid Waste Authority conducts cleanup events to reduce the amount of litter near and in the county's stream and lakes. The stream cleanup program has the benefits of reducing litter, improving aesthetic beauty and helping our water remain clean for future generations.

With support from the Berkeley County Council, Apple Valley Waste, Entsorga West Virginia, WV-Department of Environmental Protection and the United States, Environmental Protection Agency, the program has cleaned nearly 100+ miles of streams, removed over 618+ tires, 542+ bags of trash and 438+ bulky items (appliances, etc.).

To volunteer for the stream cleaning event, please contact the

Berkeley County Solid Waste Authority at 304-267-9370 or by email at office@berkeleycountyrecycling.com

## ADOPT A HIGHWAY OR ADOPT A SPOT



**ADOPT A HIGHWAY:** The Adopt-A-Highway Program is co-sponsored by the Division of Highways and the Department of Environmental Protection. It was established in the late 1980s to improve the quality of our environment by encouraging public involvement in the elimination of highway litter. The objective is to save taxpayer money by increasing public awareness and to serve as an educational tool by focusing on the consequences which result when littering is allowed to continue unchecked. The program offers volunteers the opportunity to take charge of their environment by making a positive effort to create a cleaner, more aesthetic place in which to live. You can actively participate in cleaning up our roads, which improves our West Virginia legacy, but also saves taxpayers money.

For more information on either program, contact WV DEP at 1-800-322-5530 or visit the BCSWA website at

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**ADOPT-A-SPOT:** This program is an extension of the Adopt-A-Highway Program and allows volunteers to adopt smaller sections of state roadside rights-of-way for the purpose of keeping them litter free. Adopt-A-Spot can help us do our part to stay clean!

For more information on the Adopt-A-Spot program, contact WV DEP at 1-800-322-5530 or visit the BCSWA website at www.berkeleycountyrecycling.com