

**G** **K**  *Keep*  
**Kingwood**  
**Green**

[www.keepkingwoodgreen.org](http://www.keepkingwoodgreen.org)

# What We Do

## Information

- Provide website, phone line, E-mails blast, FB page and recycling brochures (available at Rapid Refill Ink)
- Information tables at various local events (YMCA, Jesse Jone's Park, Farmer Market, etc.)

## Education

- Present recycling education programs to schools, scouts and other organizations
- Provide educational articles to area newspapers and magazines

## Outreach

- Work with City, County, Community Associations, trash companies, Humble ISD & businesses to improve recycling options
- Provide volunteers for community events(BOPA, Kleenwood, etc.)

# Why Should We Recycle?



# ØIt's Good For Our Economy and Creates Jobs

- Provides the raw materials to make new products.
- Is a \$236 billion a year industry in the US
- More than 56,000 recycling and reuse enterprises employ 1.1 million workers nationwide



# Ø It Saves Landfill Space

- The average American discards 4.5 pounds of garbage a day-56 tons a year- most of it ending buried in a landfill.
- Toxic pollution from landfills (cyanide, dioxins, mercury, methane, lead, etc.) escapes into the air and leaches into groundwater.



No one wants to live near a landfill...



... and the Atascocita landfill is filling up fast!



# Ø It Saves Energy and Helps Prevent Global Warming

- Recycled aluminum uses only 5% of the energy that would be used in producing it from the beginning of the mining, transportation, and manufacturing process
- If you throw away an aluminum can, it wastes as much energy as if you filled that can half full of gasoline and poured it on the ground.



# Ø It Reduces Air and Water Pollution

- It takes 61% less water to make paper from recycled material. For every ton of paper recycled, 7,000 gallons of water (and 380 gallons of oil) are saved!
- Recycling glass causes 20% less air pollution and 50% less water pollution than making a new bottle from raw materials





# Ø It Saves Natural Resources and Protects Wildlife



Using recycled materials uses fewer natural resources and reduces the need to damage forests, wetlands, rivers and other places essential to wildlife



# What Should We Recycle?





**Cardboard**



**Paper**



**Aluminum and Steel cans**



**Glass**



**and Plastics #1 to #7**

# Where Can We Recycle?



# Kingwood Drop Off Center



- Located at the East side of the Metro Park and Ride parking lot, opposite to the Kingwood Community Center.
- Open every weekend from Friday evening to Monday morning

# Montgomery County Recycling Center Precinct 4

- 23628 Roberts Road, New Caney

- 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday – Friday

- Accepts only newspaper, cardboard, aluminum and metal cans, plastic #1 and #2



# Curbside Recycling



- In Kingwood, each Community Association (CA) chooses its trash company
- Some CA's offer curbside recycling for an additional fee. This is very inefficient since only a few people opt for this service and running a crew and truck around for a small amount wastes more than it saves.
- The following CAs chose to included curbside recycling for everyone in their contract:
  - Riverchase & Greentree (Best Trash)
  - North Woodland Hills (Best Trash)
  - Woodspring Forest ( City of Houston)
  - Kingspoint & The Reserve (Waste Management)
  - Forest Cove (City of Houston)

# Curbside Recycling service offered by the City of Houston



- Free service, included in our taxes
- Provides a large bin, no sorting needed
- Provides also green waste recycling
- No back door pick up
- Once a week garbage pick up and once a week recycling



If you have a cardboard box that needs to be recycled, make sure to **BREAK IT DOWN**.



# More Recycling Opportunities



# Plastic Bags

They may be saved and recycled in containers at the front of most large grocery stores in our area(Kroger, Randall's, HEB, Walmart,etc.).



**Can we put plastic bags into the plastic recycling bins?**



No, they will cause damage to the machinery in the recycling plant!

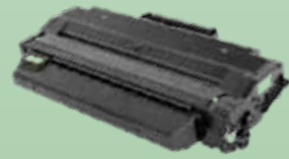
# Electronic Waste

- First Saturday of the month
- At the Kingwood Park & Ride lot



## Items accepted:

- Computers and all other electronics (hard drive can be shredded on site)
- TV up to 27 inches only
- Small appliances & anything with a plug
- Rechargeable & car batteries
- Switches, cords & cables
- VHS tapes, floppy drives and CD's
- Toner cartridges.



# BOPA (Batteries, Oil, Paint, Antifreeze)

- At the Kingwood Park & Ride lot
- Once or twice a year
- Scraps metal & appliances also collected



- Latex paint only, no oil based paint
- Motor & cooking oil
- Small & large rechargeable batteries

# Used motor oil

At O'Reilly, Firestone and Jiffy Lube or bring it to the next BOPA event



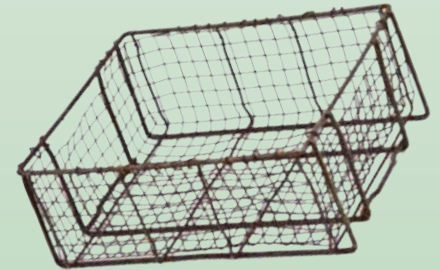


# Scrap Metal



- Pete Hess (832-377-JUNK) from Junky Business will come and pick up any scrap metal at your place for free

- Bring them to the next BOPA event



# Rechargeable Batteries



- Rechargeable batteries are collected at most hardware and electronics stores (Alspaugh's, Sears Hardware, Best Buy, Radio Shack, etc.) and at the monthly E-waste recycling at the Park & Ride lot
- There is no recycling of the regular household, alkaline-type batteries (AA, C, D, etc.) in Houston and they should be discarded in the trash.



# CFLs Bulbs



Place any unbroken CFL in a plastic bag and deposit them into one of the collection units:



- At Home Depot

- At Lowes



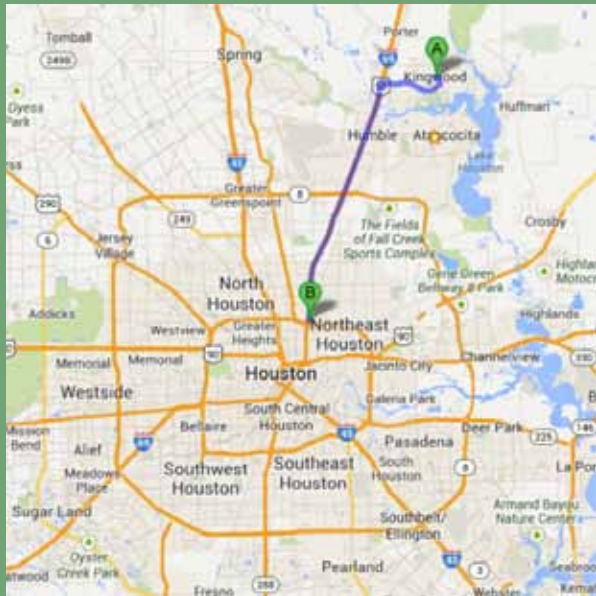
# Household Hazardous Waste

BOPA + Yard, pool & cleaning chemicals, fuel, oil paint, tires, etc (for Houston Residents only)

## ESC - North

5614 Neches St  
Houston, TX 77026

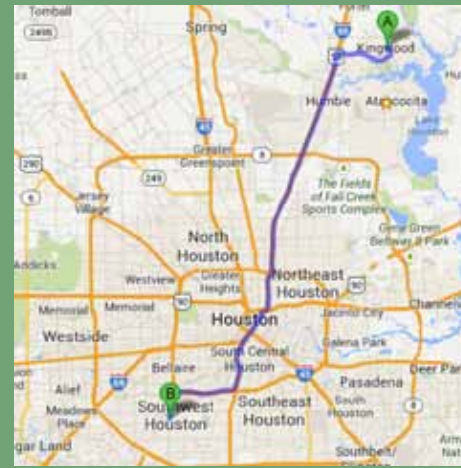
- 2nd Thursday of each month  
9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.



## ESC - South

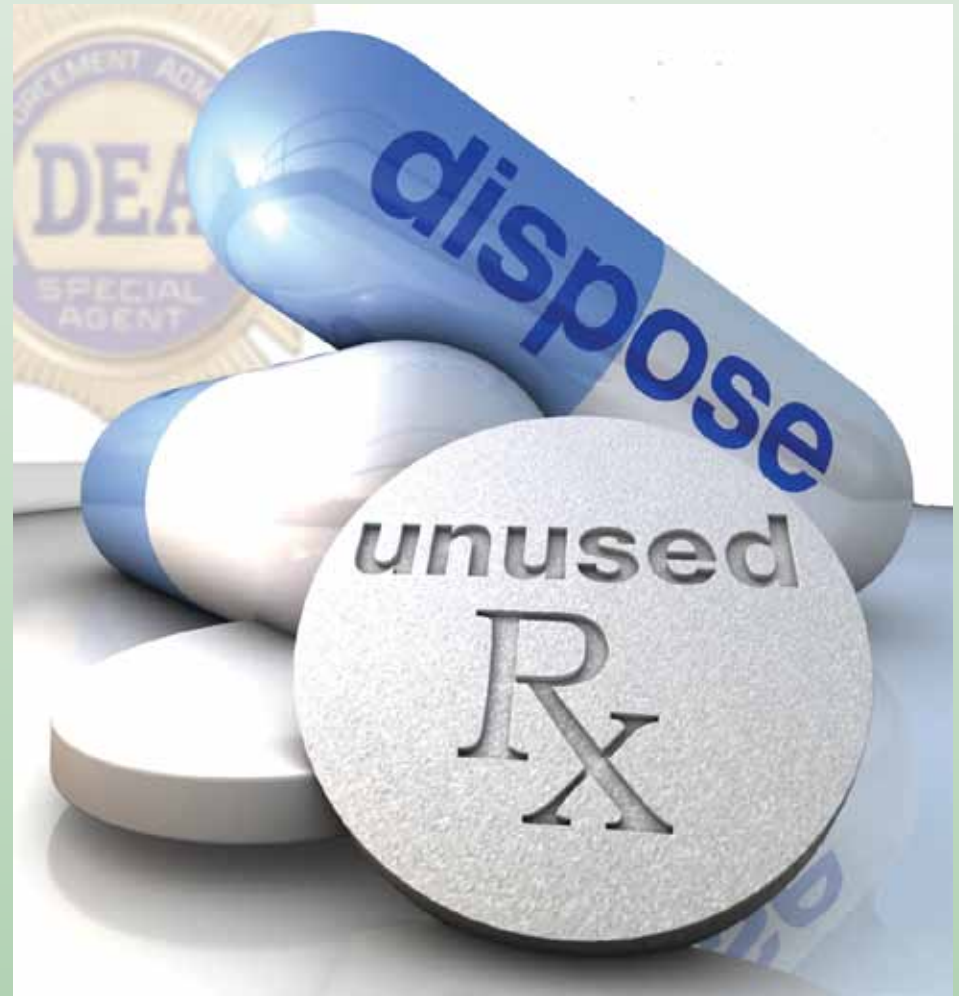
11500 S. Post Oak Rd.  
Houston, TX 77035

- Tuesdays and Wednesdays  
9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- Second Saturday of each month  
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m



# Medication

- Once a year only
- At the Kingwood Library
- Join our mailing list to be notified



# Paper



Recycle all kinds of paper, including junk mail, construction paper, old posters, and so forth in the Abitibi paper bins located at most churches and school parking lots



# Green Waste

- Mulch your grass and leaves
- Start a compost pile



**Don't forget that recycling is  
only 3rd best.**

**#1= Reduce**

**#2= Reuse**



# Eyeglasses



Bring used eyeglasses to:

- Alspaugh's (2720 W Lake Houston Pkwy)
- The Lake Houston YMCA (2420 W. Lake Houston Pkwy)
- Walmart stores and Sam's Club with vision centers.

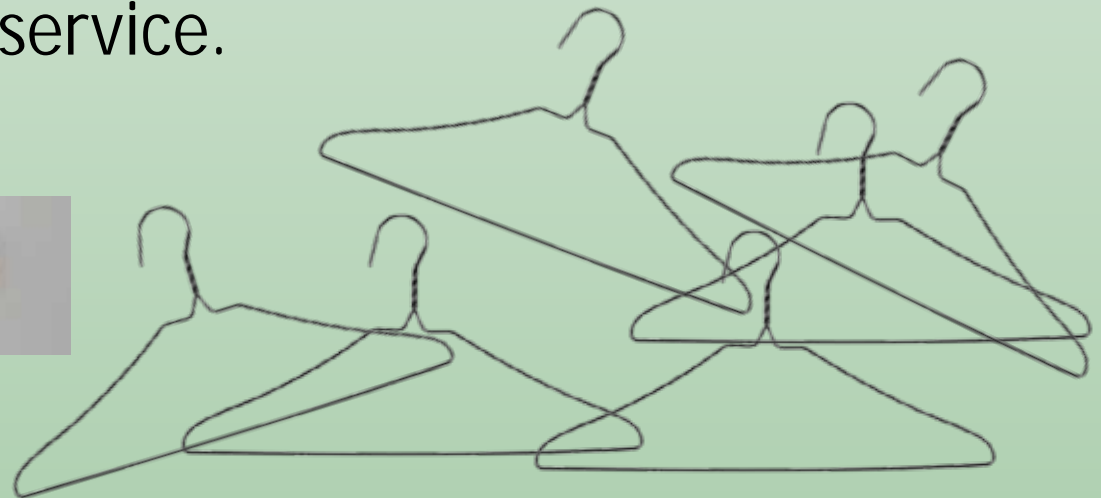
They are sorted, cleaned and refurbished for distribution to needy people throughout the world.



# Hangers



MW Cleaners recycle hangers as well as poly bags. They do this both in their stores as well as through their home pickup and delivery service.





# Bring Your Own Grocery Bag



- **Plastic bags** - 500 billion are produced each year worldwide; only 3% of these are recycled. They last a thousand years in our landfills



- **Paper bags** – You would make only 700 paper bags out of a 15-year old tree. In a big supermarket they could be used in less than an hour!

# Donate unused items

- To a charity (see our brochure & website)
- To Freecycle or on the FREE section of **Kingwood Yard Sale** to connect with others who are in need of the items that would otherwise be thrown away.



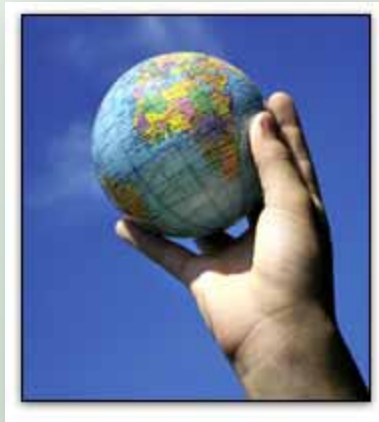
# Please Support Keep Kingwood Green



Drop off your old cell phone at:

- Alspaugh's (2720 West Lake Houston Pkwy)
- Rapid Refill Ink (2714 W. Lake Houston Pkwy)
- Kingwood Garden Center (1216 Stonehollow Dr.)





**“We do not inherit the earth  
from our ancestors; we  
borrow it from our children”**

Native American Proverb

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