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# **2021 Calendar REVISED 03-03-21**

## Annual Events (all times/dates subject to change)

EVENT	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
Household Hazardous Waste*  Earth Day Tree Giveaway (Free to the first 500 participants.)	Saturday, May 1	9am—2pm	Porter County Expo 215 E. Division, Valparaiso Gate 3
Household Hazardous Waste* Secure Shred Document Disposal	Saturday, June 12	9am—2pm	Portage High School 6450 US-6, Portage
Household Hazardous Waste*	Saturday, June 26	9am—2pm	Westchester Intermediate School 1050 S. 5th St, Chesterton
Household Hazardous Waste*	Saturday, July 17	9am—2pm	Hebron Elementary/Middle School 307 S. Main St, Hebron
Household Hazardous Waste*	Saturday, Aug 14	9am—2pm	Portage High School 6450 US-6, Portage
Household Hazardous Waste*  Tires will also be collected this event only for residents.	Saturday, Oct 9	9am—2pm	Porter County Expo 215 E. Division, Valparaiso Gate 3

<sup>\*</sup>No electronics/latex paint at HHW

### **Public Compost Sites**

SITE	DATES	HOURS	HOLIDAY CLOSINGS
Valparaiso Compost Site 2150 W. Lincolnway	Regular Season Mar 22—Nov 6, 2021	Mon thru Sat 8am—5pm	Hours/dates subject to change — please consult www.portercountyrecycling.org
	Winter Season (weather permitting) Nov 8—Mar 19, 2022	Mon thru Sat 8am—4pm	Valparaiso: Thanksgiving Day—Nov 25
Boone Grove Compost Site 546 S. 400 West	Regular Season Mar 22—Dec 4	Mon thru Sat 9am—4pm	Christmas—Dec 25 <u>Boone Grove &amp; Portage</u> Memorial Day—May 31
Portage Compost Site 6451 U.S. Highway 12	Regular Season Mar 22—Dec 4	Mon thru Sat 8am—3pm	Labor Day—Sep 6 Thanksgiving—Nov 25, 26, & 27

Restrictions and/or fees may apply to events. Contact our office for all event details.

### **Did You Know?**

The Porter County Recycling & Waste Reduction District provides the following services:



#### Drop-Off Recycling self-service at these locations (this is NOT your curbside recycling)

Valparaiso Compost Site Hours: Monday through Saturday (hours on front)
Boone Grove, just east of Boone Grove Fire Department, Burns Harbor Street Department,
Chesterton (Strack & VanTil), Hebron Municipal Building, Kouts Town Garage.



**Smoke Detector Disposal** is at two of our compost sites (Valparaiso and Boone Grove) and several local fire departments.



#### **Battery and Light Bulb Recycling at Our Compost Sites**

Commonly found at most hardware stores throughout Porter County; yet, check our website for a list of the numerous drop-off locations.



#### **Electronics Recycling Drop Off Locations**

Valparaiso Compost Site, Boone Grove Compost Site, Portage Street Department. Electronics including almost anything with an electrical cord or batteries. Fluorescent light bulbs and ballasts without PCBs are accepted at Boone Grove and Valpo. No appliances or devices with Freon are accepted.



### **Mulch and Compost**

Self-loading is free at all compost sites. Check with Valparaiso Public Works for information about loading days at the Valparaiso Compost site.





Our outreach educator brings engaging programs to most Porter County K-6 students. Due to Covid-19, our educator had some of the lessons professionally recorded to continue to teach environmental principles to our county's young minds. Teachers can reach out to the District to set up a showing, Q&A session, or virtual session. We also offer programs for learners of all ages including: Master Recycler classes, tours, and Earth Day activities.



#### **Household Hazardous Waste Collection**

In 2020, the district spent \$136, 875 on the collection, transportation and recycling/disposal of materials collected from 1,532 participating Porter County residents.

The \$20.00 "Recycling Fee" on your property tax bill makes it possible for us to provide all these services and more. Visit <a href="https://www.portercountyrecycling.org">www.portercountyrecycling.org</a> or follow us at <a href="https://www.portercountyrecycling.org">f</a> /RecyclePorterCounty