

# August 2020 Recycling Program Update

TASK	UPDATE	
<b>MEDIA ANNOUNCEMENTS</b>	Social Media	Textile Recycling
	Print	Textile Recycling
	Radio	<i>None this month</i>
	Other	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Google Analytics: 4,746 direct searches and 822 users visited the UCRRA website</li> </ul>
<b>OUTREACH EDUCATION</b>	Public Presentations	<i>None this month</i>
	Facility Tours	8/19 Tour for Ulster County Legislator Peter Criswell
	Events	<i>None this month</i>
	Other	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Developing new media:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Business Waste Reduction &amp; Recycling Guide</li> <li>Refrigerator "Eat First" Signs</li> <li>Waste Audit Workbook</li> </ul> </li> <li>8/20 Conference Call with <i>Hospitality Green</i> regarding school recycling programs</li> <li>Ordering new program supplies/equipment, promotional items, etc.</li> </ul>
<b>ELECTRONICS RECYCLING</b>	<i>Month of July, 2020</i>	
	Residents	296
	Businesses	11
	Government Agencies	1
	Non-profit Organizations	1
<b>COMPOST</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Guest Blog "Success Using STA Brochures" featured in the US Composting Council's <i>Compost Monthly Flash Communicator</i> <a href="http://www.compostingcouncil.org/page/CC-aug2020#compostuse">www.compostingcouncil.org/page/CC-aug2020#compostuse</a></li> <li>Quarterly STA testing due next month</li> </ul>	
<b>SITE VISITS</b>	<i>None this month</i>	
<b>REPORTS</b>	<i>None this month</i>	
<b>PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>8/04 US Composting Council Mentor Program Conference Call</li> <li>8/05 Webinar: Teaching Practical Strategies for Reducing Wasted Food Through Community Events</li> <li>8/21 US Composting Council Young Professionals Committee Meeting</li> <li>8/27 Webinar: Diversity, Equity &amp; Inclusion in Waste and Recycling hosted by Northern California Recycling Association</li> <li>8/27 NYSAR3 Women for Recycling Committee Meeting</li> </ul>	
<b>MISCELLANEOUS</b>	Awarded P2I Community Grants Program for Zero Waste Seminar Project	
<b>PREVIEW</b>	<i>August-October: Recycling Outreach Team will review program goals for 2021</i>	

# Recycle Clothing & Textiles

**This message by the Ulster County Resource Recovery Agency  
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The average New Yorker throws away 70 lbs. of clothing each year!

Clothing, shoes, and textiles have special recycling programs and **SHOULD NOT** be placed in your home recycling bin.

95% of textiles (worn or torn) can be recycled—yet only 15% gets recycled.

The value of these wasted materials is worth \$130 million in New York and could create up to 1,000 jobs when recycled properly!

## REUSE

Shopping for second-hand clothing extends the useful life of clothing and fabrics and conserves natural resources!

**Did you know:** it takes 1,800 gallons of water to make 1 pair of denim jeans!

## REPAIR

Clothing that needs to be mended can be brought to a local Repair Café—where you can learn how to sew and fix cloth items for free! Visit [www.repaircafehv.org/](http://www.repaircafehv.org/) for more information.

## REGIFT

Help your neighbors in need—donate wearable clothing that is still in good condition.

## RECYCLE

Any worn, torn, or stained textiles can be recycled as long as they're clean, dry, and odorless. Recycle all types of clothing, shoes, fabric, and textiles—everything from linens and bedding to curtains, stuffed animals, belts, and backpacks.

**For a full list of accepted items, or to find a clothing drop-off bin near you, visit the Re-Clothe NY website  
<https://www.nysar3.org/page/re-clothe-ny-78.html>**

### What happens when I recycle my clothing?

**45%** is reused and re-worn by people in-need.

**30%** is recycled into industrial cloths and wiping rags.

**20%** is recycled into fiber, which is used to make carpet padding and insulation.



### UCRRA SERVICE UPDATE



Electronics are now accepted on **SATURDAYS ONLY** from 7am-3pm at the main office, 999 Flatbush Road, Kingston. For a list of acceptable items please visit [WWW.UCRRRA.ORG](http://WWW.UCRRRA.ORG)