## Spring Newsletter from the Bennington County Solid Waste Alliance

The Bennington County Solid Waste Alliance (BCSWA) includes the Towns of Arlington, Bennington, Dorset, Glastenbury, Manchester, Pownal, Rupert, Sandgate, Searsburg, Shaftsbury, Stamford, Sunderland, and Woodford and provides technical assistance to businesses, schools, and institutions within the thirteen towns to help them in recycling and waste reduction.

Mark Your Calendars! 2021 Household Hazardous Waste Events: The

Alliance is expanding its collection program to better serve you and will hold *three* events during 2021. The first is on **May 8th**, 2021 at the **Mt**. **Anthony Union Middle School**. The event will run from **9:00 AM to 1:00 PM**. Contact Michael Batcher at <u>mbatcher@bcrcvt.org</u>, or (802) 442-0713 x 2 if you have questions. Due to the COVID-19 restrictions, <u>items to be disposed</u> should be placed in the trunk of your car or the back of your van or truck. Do not exit your vehicle. Please wear a mask for personal protection. Please leave your pets at home. For more information, visit <u>https://www.bcswavt.org/news/household-hazardous-waste-collection-</u> event-on-may-8th/.

**FUN FACT:** The Alliance collected **33 tons** of household hazardous waste from 497 households at its two collection events during 2020!

<u>Business, School and Event Outreach</u>: The Alliance continues to provide outreach to businesses, schools, and event organizers. This free service provides information on methods of recycling, disposing hazardous materials, and properly diverting food scraps and organics from landfills. If your school, business or institution or event is interested in having someone contact you to discuss better ways to handle solid waste, organics, recyclables, and other materials, please contact Paula Kamperman at 518-788-2553 or PaulaKamperman@gmail.com

<u>Compost Bin Equipment Sale:</u> We have a limited number of Soil Savers, Kitchen Composting Buckets, and Green Food Scrap Buckets available for prepaid ordering and pick up. <u>Orders must be placed by May 7, 2021. These will</u> <u>be distributed on May 19, 2021</u> at the former Bennington Highway Garage on Orchard Rd. in Bennington, 4 PM – 6 PM. For more information and to place an order visit: <u>https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PBHGLGS</u> The 2020 Annual Report of the Alliance is now available: Visit our website at www.bcswavt.org

<u>The Next Alliance Board Meeting:</u> Wednesday, April 28, 2021, 4:00PM – 5:30PM. Visit our website for agenda and Zoom link.

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