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# News Release

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## For Immediate Release

# County offers residential household hazardous waste drop-off, shredding and prescription medication collection

**September 25, 2009** – Carroll County residents can drop off dangerous household items, shred sensitive documents and return prescription medications during an upcoming event sponsored by the Carroll County Recycling Office. From 8 a.m. until 2 p.m. on Saturday, October 24, 2009, residents can come to the Carroll County Vehicle Maintenance Facility at 1250 Old Meadow Branch Road, Westminster (off MD Rte. 97, North of Westminster) with old batteries, oil-based paints, and other hazardous materials, up to three boxes or bags of items to be shredded and also return unused, un-needed or outdated prescription drugs.

Items accepted in the household hazardous waste drop-off area include: gasoline or a gas/oil mix, oil-based paints and thinners, solvents, stains, sealants, pesticides, herbicides, insecticides, household batteries, photographic and pool chemicals, household cleaners, compact fluorescent bulbs and tubes.

Items that cannot be accepted include: latex paint (dispose this with household trash after adding an absorbent agent such as cat litter, sand, mulch or newspaper.), explosives/ammunition, medical waste, radioactive material, compressed gas tanks and cylinders, rechargeable batteries, vehicle batteries, asbestos, and items from commercial and industrial businesses or farms.

Document management will be provided by CINTAS, The Service Professionals®. Items that can be brought for shredding are: invoices, bank statements, personal records, leases, time cards, balance sheets, audit reports, blueprints, credit reports, drug screens, x-rays, back-up discs. There is a limit of three boxes or bags of items to be shredded.

Carroll County Sheriff's Office will collect and ensure all medication collected is destroyed. The program **only** accepts expired or unwanted prescription medication. Over-the-counter drugs, and medical equipment, such as needles, cannot be accepted.

For additional information, call the Bureau of Solid Waste at 410-386-2035 or the Northern Landfill at 410-386-4550.

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