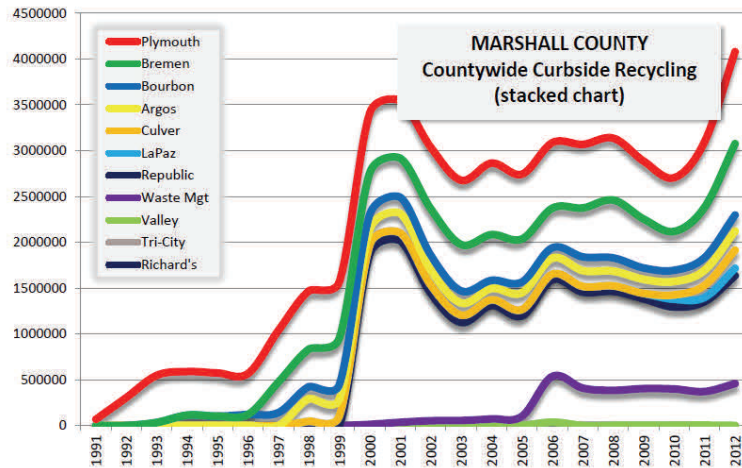


Marshall County SWMD Breaks All-time Recycling Records

Marshall County SWMD operates the Recycle Depot. Last year they set many all-time records! To name a few, they had more Facebook visitors and more customers at the Recycle Depot than ever before. They also collected the most fiber, batteries, and e-waste for recycling, and personal computers (PCs) for reuse. Some other successes are highlighted below.



Curbside Recycling

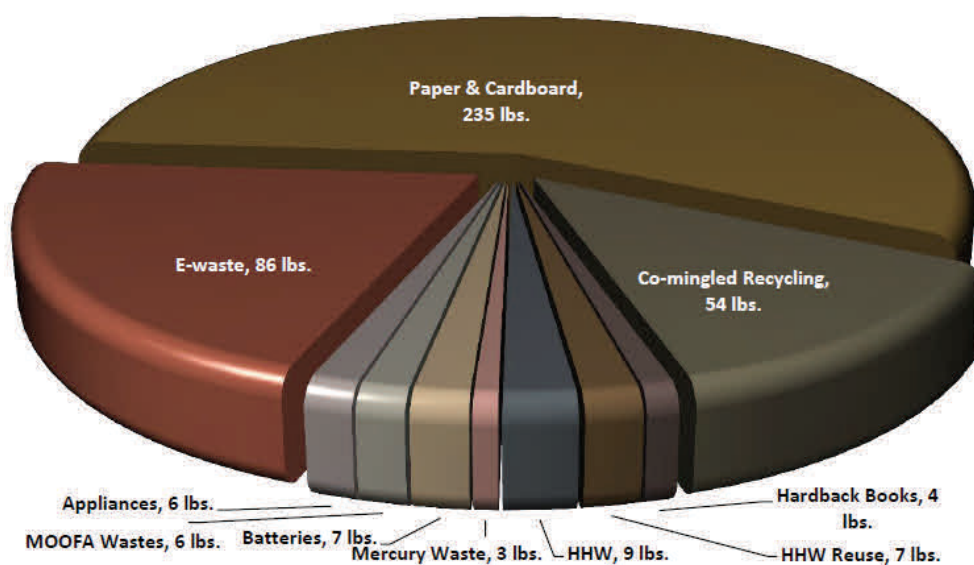
Curbside recycling records were achieved in each of the county's three largest municipalities (Plymouth, Bremen, and Culver) last year.

Recycling Depot Hourly Activity

In 2012, a typical hour of activity at the Recycle Depot involved attending to seven vehicles with more than 417 lbs. of material (approximately 60 lbs. of material per vehicle). This total does not include sharps, expired medications, ballasts, pressure vessels, cooking oil, and grease. Nor does it include tires (more than 1 tire is collected per hour on average) or the PCs that are refurbished and given away to local families and organizations in need (an average of approximately 1 PC per day).

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Recycle Depot – 2012 Hourly Activity Pie Chart



MOOFA Wastes - Motor Oil, Oil Filter, and Antifreeze

HHW - Household Hazardous Waste

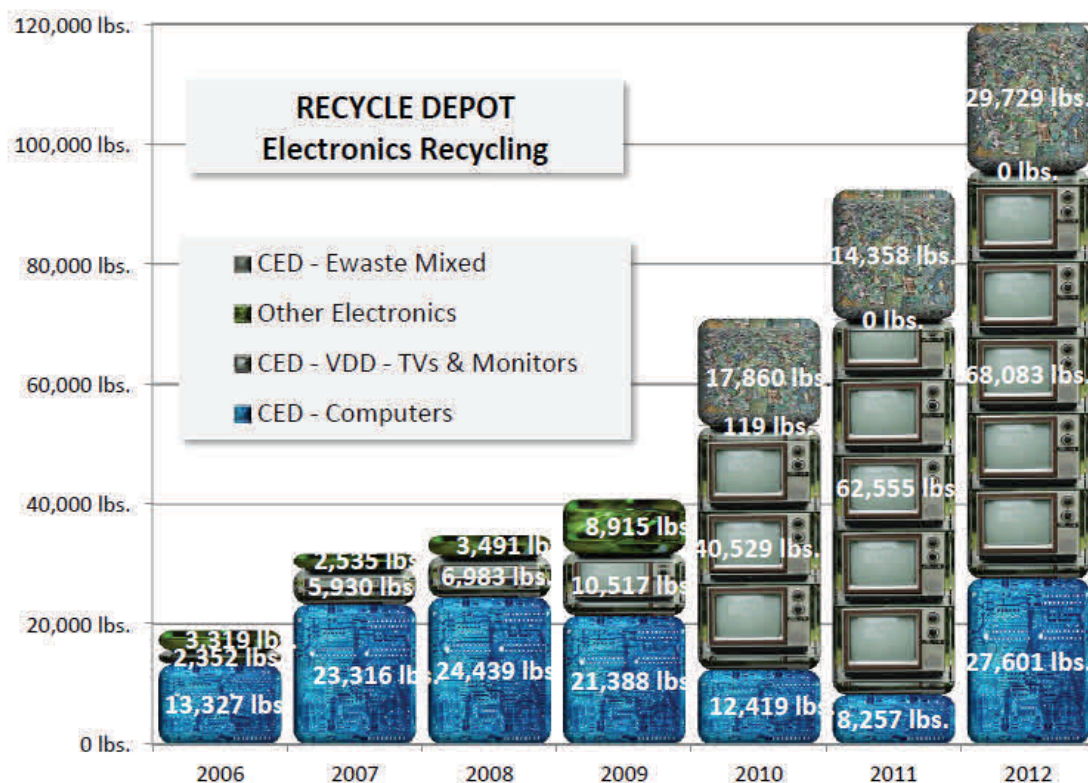
Electronic Waste

Electronic waste (e-waste) is the fastest growing portion of the waste stream and contains considerable amounts of potentially hazardous materials and other valuable reusable materials, such as precious metals and plastics. E-waste is recycled by a contractor (Electronic Recyclers International - ERI). A great deal of care and effort is taken when evaluating electronics recycling vendors to make sure that no portions of the waste stream are being disposed of or shipped overseas. The Recycle Depot and ERI are registered as a collector and recycler, respectively, with Indiana E-Cycle, Indiana's state e-waste recycling program.

Former student-used school computers are refurbished by volunteers and staff and distributed free of charge to municipalities, non-profits, and Marshall County residents. A wish list is maintained for customers wanting a refurbished computer system. The following electronics were shipped in 2012:

27,601 lbs. of PCs
68,083 lbs. of TVs & monitors
29,729 lbs. of other e-waste
179 PCs were refurbished and distributed

The number of PCs that were refurbished and distributed increased from 115 in 2011 to 179 in 2012, a 64 percent increase overall.



This story was developed from the Marshall County SWMD Recycle Depot 2012 Annual Report.

Acronyms and Additional E-Waste Information

CED – Covered Electronic Device

VDD – Video Display Device

The following covered electronic devices (CEDs) are prohibited from being discarded by Indiana households, small businesses, and public (including charter) schools with municipal waste that is intended for disposal at a landfill or any waste that is intended for disposal by burning or incineration:

- ✦ Televisions
 - ✦ Computer monitors
 - ✦ Computers (including desktops, laptops, and tablets)
 - ✦ E-readers
 - ✦ Fax machines
 - ✦ Peripherals (including keyboards, mice, external hard drives, printers, all-in-one printer/scanner/copiers, projectors, and any other devices that are sold exclusively for external use with a computer and provide input into or output from a computer)
 - ✦ DVD players (including gaming systems that are able to play DVDs)
 - ✦ Digital photo frames
 - ✦ Digital media players
 - ✦ iPods/MP3 players
 - ✦ Camcorders/cameras
 - ✦ DVR/TiVo devices (including cable boxes and satellite boxes, but not satellite dishes)
- Portable GPS navigation systems