

A MESSAGE FROM  
ESSEX COUNTY EXECUTIVE  
JOSEPH N. DIVINCENZO, JR.



Dear Essex County Resident,

We all share the responsibility of protecting our environment. The first, easy step is for us to separate bottles, cans, newspapers and other recyclable items from the regular trash, to give these reusable items a new life. Recycling has many benefits besides reuse – it helps preserve our natural resources, provides us with cleaner air and water, and reduces waste disposal costs, too.

Essex County is charged with, and committed to, working with our municipalities to expand and improve Countywide recycling efforts. We look forward to your participation as a member of the “Greener Essex County Team.” Working together, we will continue *Putting Essex County First*.

Sincerely,

*Putting Essex County First*

To report an environmental abuse  
anywhere in Essex County contact:

NJDEP Environmental Hotline  
(877) WARN-DEP or (877) 927-6337

Essex County Health Department  
24-Hour Environmental Hotline  
(973) 497-9401

Essex County Solid Waste/Recycling Enforcement  
(973) 497-9401

Essex County Air, Water, Noise Pollution Enforcement  
(973) 325-3212

Essex County Hazardous Response  
(973) 284-4937



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Essex County Utilities Authority

**Essex County Health Department**

Michael Festa, Ph.D — Health Officer



ESSEX COUNTY  
RESIDENT  
RECYCLING  
GUIDE



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# RECYCLING IN ALL ESSEX COUNTY MUNICIPALITIES IS REQUIRED BY LAW



## RECYCLING WORKS

Recycling is a well-documented environmental success story. Resources and energy are saved, the need for landfills is reduced and resource recovery facilities become more efficient.

According to the NJ Department of Environmental Protection's recycling web site, nearly 10.3 million tons of material was recycled in 2003. While this may seem like a lot, there is more that we can, and must, do.

Essex County's 2006 Solid Waste Management Plan Update implements new recycling strategies to increase our rate of recycling so we meet the 50 percent municipal solid waste recycling goals established by the State. Reaching this goal will reduce disposal volumes, air and water pollution, natural resource utilization, greenhouse gas emissions and help expand the life of our County disposal assets.



## MANDATORY MATERIALS

As mandated by the 2006 Essex County Solid Waste Management Plan Update, all homes, condominiums, townhouses, apartments, trailer parks, etc., including certain housing types considered institutional (i.e. senior citizen homes), are required to recycle the following materials:

- Newspapers
- Mixed paper (i.e. junk mail, office paper)
- Corrugated cardboard containers
- Glass food and beverage containers
- Aluminum beverage containers
- Plastic containers (#1 and #2)
- Steel/Tin containers
- Leaves
- Used motor oil\*
- White goods (ie. refrigerators and washing machines)
- Lead acid batteries (vehicle batteries)\*
- Ferrous Scrap (ie. iron, steel and stainless steel)

Information for recycling these and other recommended materials can be found on the Essex County Recycling website:

**WWW.ECUANJ.COM**

\*Accepted at Essex County Household Hazardous Waste Collection Days.

\*\*Accepted at Essex County Computer and Electronics Recycling Days.



## ASSISTANCE

If you require assistance with your municipal recycling program, please contact the Essex County Utilities Authority for a full list of municipal recycling coordinators. Please also visit the Essex County Recycling website for updated information:

Essex County Utilities Authority  
Michael Onysko, County Recycling Coordinator  
155 Passaic Avenue, 4th Floor  
Fairfield, NJ 07004

Phone: 973-857-2350  
Fax: 973-857-9361  
monysko@essexutil.com

**WWW.ECUANJ.COM**

Assistance is also available through:



Contact: Tara Casella  
621 Eagle Rock Avenue  
Roseland, NJ 07068  
(973) 228-8776



Essex County  
Health Department  
(973) 497-9401