

# Public Works Newsletter

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## Spring Events

Saturday

May 9, 2026

9:00am – 1:00pm

DPW Facility, 75  
Newcrossing Rd

### Electronics Collection

- Flatscreen TVs, computers, sm. electronics, etc
- **No CRT TV's or Monitors** will be taken at this event.
- Reading residents only - *No Businesses.*

### Paper Shredding / Rigid Plastics

- Paper Shredding - one box limit (per household).
- Bring your rigid plastics (toys, plastic chairs, containers, etc).



- There is no charge for residents.
- Reading residents only - *No Businesses.*
- **Styrofoam** - *clean, white #6 PS preformed block and sheet, No food containers of any kind, and No Colored Styrofoam.*

### Simple Recycling – Textile Collection

For a complete list of all items, please go to  
[www.readingma.gov](http://www.readingma.gov)

## STREET SWEEPING PROGRAM

Residents are asked to sweep their sidewalks and tree lawns (the grass strip that often exists between the walk and the roadway) into the street. Please don't sweep the sand into a pile since that makes it more difficult for the sweepers to pick up the material. Instead, sweep it into a row along the curb. Street sweeping will start by mid-April 2026, weather permitting. If you have any questions regarding the sweeping program please contact the Highway Division at (781) 942-9092 or the DPW Administration office at (781) 942-9077.

## HAZARDOUS MATERIALS COLLECTION

Saturday, May 2, 2026

9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Reading DPW Garage, 75 Newcrossing Road

Bring Driver's License for Identification

NO COMMERCIAL WASTE

\*LEAVE LATEX PAINT HOME\*

**CRT TV's will not be collected at this event\***

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CALL  
READING PUBLIC WORKS (781) 942-9077

## Scrap Metal Pickup

Week of March 23 to March 27, 2026

- The contractor will pick up scrap metal curbside from residents.
- Place all scrap metal curbside by 6:00am on your normal trash/recycling day.
- There is no charge for residents.
- For a list of what's accepted, please visit the Town's website at [www.readingma.gov](http://www.readingma.gov).

### CURB YOUR CARBON FOOTPRINT!

Join the Town of Reading in helping to reduce solid waste.

### CURBSIDE FOOD WASTE COMPOST PROGRAM with BLACK EARTH COMPOST

Current Rate: \$69.99 / 6 months

JOIN TODAY at [www.BlackEarthCompost.com](http://www.BlackEarthCompost.com)  
Call the DPW office at 781-942-9077 or email us at  
[composting@readingma.gov](mailto:composting@readingma.gov) for more details.

*For Compost Center information and Curbside leaf collection, please see the reverse side.*