



# *Parish of Ascension*

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## **Ascension Parish Readies For Household Hazardous Materials Collection Day** **Saturday**

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GONZALES – Ascension Parish President Kenny Matassa announced parish organizers and contract hazardous materials handlers are ready for this Saturday's 2016 Household Hazardous Materials Collection Day at the Lamar-Dixon Expo Center.

The May 14 event will take place from 9 a.m. till 1 p.m. in the expo center's parking lot in front of Arena D. The expo center is located at 9039 St. Landry Road in Gonzales. This event is for Ascension Parish residents only and will require a valid ID.

“The date is finally here and residents can get rid of those household hazardous items in their sheds in a safe and environmentally sound way,” President Matassa said.

Ascension Parish Environmental Manager Tommy Marchand said accepted materials include automobile tires, car and golf cart batteries, cell phones and batteries, electronic equipment, fluorescent bulbs, gasoline, oil, antifreeze, home and garden chemicals, household batteries, ink and toner cartridges, latex and oil-based paints, thinners, varnishes, scrap metal in small quantities, rechargeable batteries, televisions, small propane tanks and appliances for scrap metal.

They will also accept telephone systems, video cameras and DVR's, computer accessories, Xboxes, PlayStations and Wii boxes, fax machines, monitors and printers.

Marchand said materials that **will not** be accepted include explosives, radioactive materials, medical waste, asbestos, high school lab waste, commercial and governmental

facility waste, paper, magazines, newspaper, cardboard, aluminum cans, plastic and glass, hurricane debris or woody waste.

Marchand said parish residents dropped off approximately 23 tons of household hazardous materials during last year's event, which was an increase of three tons from the 2014 drop-off event. He said collection numbers for 2013 totaled more than 22 tons and almost 25 tons in 2012.

For more information about the Ascension Parish 2016 Household Hazardous Materials Collection Day, you may call Allene Burris or Tommy Marchand at (225) 450-1308.



**CUTLINE** – Parish residents dropped off numerous televisions and computer screens during last year's Ascension Parish Household Hazardous Materials Collection Day at Lamar-Dixon Expo Center. More than 23 tons of materials were collected during the 2015 event.

\*Please see attached map.

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