



Zero Waste Vashon (ZWV) is a non-profit organization and is 100% volunteer driven. Our goal is to inspire the Vashon and Maury Island communities to "Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, and Rethink." by turning waste into resources.



Compost Facility Update

After a long delay, KCSWD has updated the Vashon Island Compost expansion page. It now contains schedule and contact information. Project completion is now expected to be April 2029.

ZWV will have an update on the project once it has had a chance to review these updates.

[KCSW Vashon Transfer Station Compost Facility](#)

If you have questions or comments about the project, please contact the Solid Waste Division - vashonorganics@kingcounty.gov Phone: 206-477-4466

Zero Waste Washington

Zero Waste Vashon will be working with Zero Waste Washington in 2025 to address key issues facing the state. In 2024 they assisted in the passing of key composting and organics waste collection legislation. This year they will be working on getting bills passed addressing fashion waste, EV battery recycling, Right to Repair, beverage bottle deposit, and more. Please show support for their important work.

<https://zerowastewashington.org/legislative-work/>

Electronics Recycling Event

The annual ZWV Electronics Recycling Event will be held on April 12, 2025 from 10am to 12pm at the High School. Enter via the east lot by the pool.

Accepted items: Computers, laptops, monitors, ink cartridges, CDs, DVDs, cassettes, printers, fax machines, keyboards & mice, servers, routers, televisions, DVD & CD players, VCRs, audio components, radios, cellphones, telephones, cameras, electronic games and small electronics.



Place small items like loose ink cartridges, CDs, DVDs, cassettes, etc. in a bag for easy handling.

Not accepted:

No large rear screen projection TVs, no appliances except microwave ovens. No large commercial copiers, miscellaneous metal boxes, cabinets or devices.

(Metals can be dropped off at the transfer station for free. Put them in the metals recycling dumpster.)

There is a charge for CRT computer monitors and CRT TVs. All CRTs are \$10 per item. A CRT is an old-style monitor or TV with a picture tube inside.

Donations are gratefully accepted. They help support ZWV's continued work on island to divert waste from the landfill.



Save the Date! EPIC VASHON BEACH CLEAN-UP

The Vashon Rotary Club, Zero Waste Vashon, and partner organizations invite you to be a part of a global movement of action, impact, and unity on Saturday, May 17, 2025.

This EPIC Day of Service will unite more than 2,500 Rotary clubs and 75,000 Rotarians, community volunteers, and partners across the globe in a single day dedicated to making the world a better place. From bustling city centers to remote rural areas, the EPIC Day of Service is a call to action for people of all ages, backgrounds, and cultures to come together and tackle some of the most pressing issues facing our communities. Through thousands of coordinated acts of service, this day will demonstrate the true power of collective goodwill and service above self. On Vashon-Maury Island, we will be focusing on those beaches most in need of cleaning up. Stay tuned-more details will be forthcoming.

Plastics, By the Numbers

Here are some eye-opening glimpses of the challenge we face from Judith Enck of BeyondPlastics.org:

THE PLASTIC POLLUTION *CRISIS* BY THE NUMBERS

- America's rank in global plastic production: **1**
- The % of plastics that gets recycled in the United States each year: **5-6%**
- The % of plastic produced annually that's used for single-use plastics: **42%**
- The number of chemicals used to make plastics: **16,000**
- The number of microplastics particles found in a 1-liter plastic bottle of water: **240,000**

Very sad, eh? But do not lose heart!

Here is *another* set of numbers that fills us with hope and excitement.

PLASTIC POLLUTION *REDUCTION* BY THE NUMBERS

- No. of states with a ban on single-use plastic bags in effect as of 2024: **12**
- Percentage of Americans who are concerned about plastic pollution and its impact on their health and their family's health: **83%**
- Number of Local Groups & Affiliates in Beyond Plastic's growing grassroots network, working in 40 states: **161**
- Number of people who attended one of Beyond Plastic's educational webinars or grassroots advocacy trainings this year: **18,211**

WHAT CAN WE DO ON VASHON TO HELP?

- Choose plastic free when making purchases
- Buy bulk using refillable containers
- Skip buying bottled water



- Bring your own mug or beverage container
- Tell our elected leaders to support the Washington Recycling Reform Act (formerly the WRAP Act) and other policies to eliminate single use plastics.

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If you are interested in volunteering, getting involved, donating to ZWV, or simply have a question, let us know - we are here to help!



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