



Westford Rotary Recycling Challenge 2021

Bags to Benches Westford Rotary Challenge

Westford Rotary Club & Trex* Plastic Film/Bag Recycling Challenge... starts April 10, 2021... Start collecting NOW!

The Westford Rotary Club is collecting plastic bags and wraps to participate in the Recycling Challenge, hosted by The Trex Company. The Trex Company has hosted the Recycling Challenge since 2006, with the objective of educating public on the importance of plastic film recycling through school and community recycling programs. The Westford Rotary is working with the Westford Recycling Commission on this project. By recycling these items and keeping them out of the TRASH... Money is saved too.

The Westford Rotary/TREX Plastic Bag Challenge encourages Westford Residents, Businesses and others to collect and turn in a minimum of 500 lbs of plastic bags and other listed items over a 6 month period. . If the goal is met, TREX Outdoor furniture will turn them into a bench that will be placed at the Roudenbush Community Center Playground and other places in the future.

Plastic bags and other items listed below can also be dropped off at Rotary/TREX boxes located at or by clicking [HERE](#):

- Roudenbush Communicate Center: 65 Main Street (Side Door)
- Brookside Convenience Store: Brookside Plaza, 64 Brookside Road - inside store
- Cameron Senior Center: 20 Pleasant St. (Covered Front Porch Area)
- Dollar Tree Store: Corner of Carlisle Road and Rt. 110 (Littleton Road) – inside store

Please make sure bags are contained in some way, such as a box or a paper/plastic bag.

The Kick off of the Recycle Challenge will be on Saturday, April 10, 2021 at the Annual Spring/Fall Westford Rotary A-1 Shredding Event at the Westford Market Place – near Middlesex Savings end of the Parking lot.... From 9:00 am – 12 noon. Start collecting files and Plastic bags/ film items now. See list below.

The following items are being collected (clean, dry and free of food and residue, please):

- Single-use plastic grocery bags
- Bread bags
- Plastic overwrap for toilet paper, napkins, paper towels and diapers
- Plastic overwrap on bulk items in cases (ex: water bottles, snacks)
- Plastic retail bags (with hard plastic and string handles removed)
- Clean, dry plastic food storage bags (ex: Ziploc bags)
- Polyethylene film labeled #2 or #4
- Stretch wrap
- Produce bags
- Dry cleaning bags
- Newspaper sleeves and bags
- Plastic cereal box liners
- Plastic shipping envelopes, bubble wrap and air pillows (deflate and remove labels if possible)



****The Trex Company is the country's largest manufacturer of wood-alternative decking and railing products and is headquartered in Winchester, Virginia. Trex turns millions of pounds of recycled and reclaimed plastic and waste wood into Trex products each year. Most of these raw materials come from recovered plastic grocery bags, plastic film and waste wood fiber. Since the Trex Plastic Bag Recycling Challenge began in 2006, Trex's overall plastic bag recycling volume has grown to more than three billion bags. With your help, we can build the plastic bag recycling effort and continue to educate children, families, residents and businesses on the importance of recycling.