



Visit our Swap Shop!

The Swap Shop offers household chemicals and paints **FREE** to residents and governmental entities. We screen all items brought to the HEC₃ for placement in our Swap Shop. Although inventory varies, the Swap Shop usually has items such as:

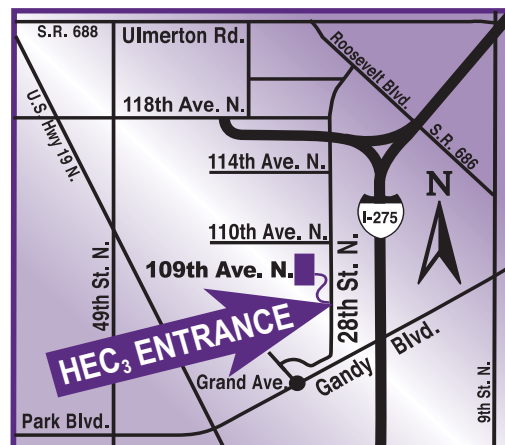
- Antifreeze
- Automotive cleaners
- Brake fluid
- Household cleaners
- Disinfectants
- Fertilizer (*available October 1 through May 31*)
- Fungicides and herbicides
- Insecticides and pesticides
- Linseed oil
- Lubricants
- Mineral spirits
- Paints
- Paint removers, strippers and thinners
- Power steering fluid
- Stains, polyurethane and varnish
- Transmission fluid
- Tung oil
- Turpentine
- Weed killers



Can't come to the HEC₃?

Use one of the numerous mobile collection events held at convenient locations throughout the county. Mobile collection events are scheduled from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on various Saturdays from September through May. As another alternative, homeowner associations or other resident groups may schedule their own mini-mobile collection events, which use the Haz-to-Go trailer. For more information visit www.pinellascounty.org/solidwaste, or call (727) 464-7500.

**2855 109th Avenue N.
St. Petersburg, FL 33716**



Hours Monday - Friday: 6 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Saturday: 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Closed Sunday and all observed county holidays

Business Options

To schedule a FREE Cutting Waste at Work waste audit call 464-7500. The HEC₃ is FREE for residents. Businesses may only use the HEC₃ on the 12 EnviroBusiness Days, which are scheduled on the 2nd Wednesday of each month from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Businesses pay the contractor directly at the county's reduced rate for disposal. Businesses may also use a mobile collection event (see above). For more information on business hazardous waste disposal, visit www.pinellascounty.org/bizwaste



**Household Electronics
& Chemical Collection**

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Do The Right Thing...



Drop it off!



Drop off hazardous electronics and chemicals at the Pinellas County **Household Electronics & Chemical Collection Center (HEC₃)** for recycling or proper disposal. Pick up donated household chemicals still suitable for reuse at the Swap Shop, located at the HEC₃. Both of these services are **FREE** for Pinellas County residents.

Hazardous waste can pollute the environment and pose a threat to human health. Unwanted household hazardous electronics and chemicals should never be dumped in the regular trash, drains, storm sewers or on the ground. Improper disposal of hazardous electronics can result in toxic substances such as lead, mercury or cadmium leaching into the soil and groundwater. Many leftover household chemicals contain corrosive, toxic, ignitable or reactive ingredients.

Minimize hazardous waste in your household:

- Buy only what you need.
- Use the products only for their intended purpose in the specified quantity.
- Use non-toxic alternatives.

What to bring to the HEC₃



Hazardous Electronics

- Televisions
- Monitors
- Power supplies
- Laptops
- Tablets
- Cell phones
- Devices with non-removable rechargeable batteries *

Note: It is OK to put other electronic devices into household trash. *Be sure to remove any rechargeable batteries which require disposal with hazardous chemicals.

Before getting rid of any electronics, please consider fixing broken items or donating working items to family, friends or charity.

Our facility is not permitted to accept waste generated by businesses. Hazardous waste loads will be evaluated upon receipt at HEC₃ by staff to determine if products are considered business waste.



Hazardous Chemicals

Household:

- Aerosol cans **EMPTY aerosol cans, chemical containers and paint cans may go in the trash**
- Rechargeable batteries **ALKALINE batteries can go in the trash**
- Bug spray
- Cleaners
- Cooking oil
- Dry cleaning solvent
- Fluorescent bulbs
- Furniture polish
- LED bulbs
- Mercury thermometers
- Mercury thermostats
- Moth balls

- Nail polish or remover
- Photographic chemicals
- Shoe polish
- Smoke detectors

Outdoor:

- Fertilizers
- Flares
- Fungicides
- Herbicides
- Insecticides
- Lighter fluid
- Pesticides
- Pool or spa chemicals
- Propane tanks (*less than 1 pound*)
- Weed killers

Shed & Garage:

- Automotive fluids such as antifreeze, battery acid or brake fluid (*Do not mix*)
- Gasoline & kerosene
- Glue (solvent based)
- Motor oil *
- Mouse or rat poison
- Paint (latex or oil)
- Paint removers & thinners
- Solvents
- Vehicle batteries
- Wood preservatives
- Grease & lubricants

* Place motor oil into original motor oil containers. **DO NOT** place used oil in other types of containers, such as chemical or juice containers!

How to Package & Transport Chemicals

1. Do **NOT** mix chemicals together.
2. Do **NOT** combine containers together in trash bag.
3. Keep products in original labeled containers if possible.
4. Place containers in cardboard boxes. Use crumpled newspaper in the boxes to prevent breakage.
5. Place leaky containers in clear plastic bags and transport in boxes with newspaper.
6. Put boxes in the trunk or in the back of vehicle away from passengers.
7. Place individual batteries in separate plastic bags or cover terminals with heavy tape to prevent short circuits.



What **NOT** to bring to the HEC₃

Wastes that Require Special Handling

- Ammunition
- Appliances
- Biological/infectious waste
- Business waste (*see front side "Business Options"*)
- Explosives
- Fire extinguishers
- Household medical waste
- Medical waste/Sharps
- Medications
- Propane tanks (*More than 1 pound*)
- Radioactive waste

Wastes that Can be Disposed in the Trash

- CD and Video players
- Copiers and Scanners
- Empty containers
- Fans
- Fax machines
- Microwave ovens
- Printers
- Projectors and Cameras
- Stereos and Radios
- Toasters
- Vacuums

Visit www.pinellascounty.org/solidwaste/getridofit to find safe disposal options.

Quantity Guidelines for Residential Customers



The following quantity guidelines are in effect for Pinellas County residential customers bringing household electronics and chemicals to HEC₃.

- 5 — Computers
- 5 — 5-gallon containers of fuel
- 12 — Fluorescent bulbs-tubes
- 20 — 1-gallon paint containers
- 5 — 5-gallon paint containers
- 6 — TVs (*must be whole*)

Customers with quantities in excess of the pre-established amounts listed above may be considered a business and referred to the monthly EnviroBusiness Day. Loads to be evaluated upon receipt. For more information visit www.pinellascounty.org/bizwaste.

How Do I Get Rid Of It?

The A to Z Guide for Recycling and Disposal in Pinellas County answers the question "How do I get rid of it"? Before trashing an item, check this online guide to find environmentally friendly alternatives for over 360 items including the proper disposal of household medications. Visit www.pinellascounty.org/recycle and select "A to Z Guide."

