

Alsip's Gone Green – Village Recycling Drive FAQs

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Questions w/ Answers (more information below!)

- Q. Where is the Alsip Boat Launch?
- A. The Alsip Boat Launch, also known as Howes Landing, is located off 127th St and Laramie at 5399 W Plattner Drive, Alsip
- Q. What time is the event?
- A. The event will be from 10 to 1PM, April 28, 2018
- Q. Will the event be postponed if it's raining?
- A. While we hope for a beautiful, sunny Spring Day we can't control the weather. If there is no lightening or other potentially dangerous hazards, the event will go on rain or shine. We cannot guarantee our community partners will stay, but shredding, textiles, pharmaceuticals, and e-waste collection will still be available.
- Q. I can't make it during the event hours. Can I drop items off at the Boat Launch before the event?
- A. No. Please do not leave anything by the Boat Launch before or after the event. If you need assistance with finding the appropriate place to donate your items on another date, please contact the Village of Alsip .
- Q. The event information says e-waste is being collected. What is that and are there restrictions or costs?
- A. Yes, E-Waste is being collected. **Scroll down** for details of acceptable and not-acceptable items "**E-Waste Details for Acceptable and Non-Acceptable Items**".
- **Some items will incur a charge.**
- E-waste by EverLights & co-sponsored by Republic Bank & GC America (computers, office/home/cell phones, laptops, modems, servers, radio/speakers, DVD/VCR players not tapes or disks, game consoles not games)
- Q. What other items are being collected at the event? Is there a cost for those items?
- A. Many things! An abbreviated list is here. **Scroll down** to review the detailed section about partners and items they are collecting "**Alsip Partner Resources, Activities and other Collection Details**"
- There is no charge for the following items:**
- Used/New Hearing aids provided by Sertoma Center
 - Used/New Eyeglasses provided by Lions Club
 - Textiles by AmVet (shoes, clothes, towels, bags, purses, belts, etc.)
 - Paper and Cardboard by Midwest Paper Retriever (clean paper and cardboard to be recycled into other paper products)

- Unused, original packaging Toiletries by RespondNow (toilet paper, [shampoo, conditioner, soap/body wash, body lotion – hotel size ok] razors, deodorant for both men & women, pads, tampons, diapers, baby wipes, adult diapers)
- Unwanted Pharmaceuticals by the Village of Alsip Police Department (all medicines except liquids and needles)

Q. Will someone be available to help me unload my car?

A. Yes! Volunteers from Hamlin Upper Grade Center, District 125 and the Junior High Eco Club of District 126 will be on hand to help.

Q. Are there other resources to learn about at the event? Is this fun for the whole family?

A. Absolutely! Partners from around the Alsip community will have tables with information and fun, Earth Day related activities for all ages. See below for a complete list of partners.

Q. Is it true? Will there be an Alsip Fire Truck that I or my children can tour and touch?

A. 100% True! Alsip's Fire Department will be on hand with a fire truck for all to see and admire. Learn about how the truck and people within it help keep all of us safe from harm.

Q. I'm in a hurry but want to recycle my items responsibly. Is it ok to simply drop things off and not get out of my car?

A. No problem. We understand some people will be in a rush but want to be responsible with their unwanted items. We will have volunteers available that will come to your car to take whatever (from the acceptable lists below) you have brought, and you'll quickly be on your way.

Q. Will there be food or refreshments available for purchase?

A. YES!

[The Luck Dog Food Truck!](#)

Items to be served:

- Lucky Cheese dog \$4
- Chicago cheese dog \$4.50
- Mac n cheese dog \$5
- Slaw dog \$4
- Hawaiian dog \$5
- Chili cheese dog \$5
- Water and pop \$1.50

Q. If I still have questions, where can I get more information?

A. Several of Alsip's service organizations have come together to make this event happen. You can reach out to any one of them:

- Village of Alsip City Hall – Becky Smith, Assistant to the Mayor, 708-385-6902 x317 or bsmith@villageofalsip.org – Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/VillageOfAlsip/>
- Village of Alsip Public Works – Mike Fraider, Superintendent, 708-385-6902 x364 or mfraider@villageofalsip.org
- Alsip Park District – Jeannette Huber, Director of Parks and Recreation, 708-389-1003 x305 or jhuber@alsipparks.org – www.alsipparks.org – Facebook – <https://www.facebook.com/AlsipParkDistrict/> Twitter - <https://twitter.com/alsipparks>
- Alsip-Merrionette Library – Jenny Cutshall, Librarian, 708-371-5666 or jcutshall@alsiplibrary.info Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/alsiplibrary.info/>
- Moraine Valley Community College – Stephenie Presseller, Sustainability Manager, 708-974-5412 or pressellers@morainevalley.edu Twitter <https://twitter.com/greenmvcc>

Be sure to follow the social media sites for each of the organizing partners to stay up to date.

E-Waste Details for Acceptable and Non-Acceptable Items

Unfortunately, due to some legislative changes and intensity of recycling certain items, costs may apply. Please continue reading for those items that will incur a cost. **All fees are in cash only and paid on-site.**

Acceptable Office equipment (no charge):

- Office / home phones
- Cell phones (with or without the battery)

- Computer wire and cords
- Laptops (with or without the battery)
- Desktop computers (CPU)
- Hard Drives
- Modems
- Servers
- Speakers

Acceptable Household Items – no charge (if items are in working condition, consider dropping them off to the AMVET truck):

- Radio/Stereo
- DVD/VCR Player (NO DVD/CD or TAPES)
- Games console (NO GAMES)

The following COST ITEMS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED UNTIL CASH FEE HAS BEEN RECEIVED

FEES:

- CRT (computer monitor)
- Television (w/or w/o rear projection)
- LCD /Plasma TV's
 - Up to 32" = \$15/each
 - Between 32"-52" = \$25/each
- Large, console TV's (typically in wooden frame or larger than 52")
 - = \$35/each

*Limit 2 per household

REFUSED/UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS FOR E-WASTE

Consumer Electronics for example:

- dishwashers
- refrigerators
- a/c units
- microwaves

The following are unacceptable by E-WASTE, if still working [AMVET](#) will receive them

- vacuum's
- coffee makers/ pots
- food blenders

FYI: Donating all items containing hard drives or other forms of memory storage devices at this public electronic drop off event does not guarantee destruction of said device, requested or not.

Alsip Partner Resources, Activities, and other Collection Details

<p>Alsip Fire Department</p>	<p>The Alsip Fire Department's mission is to provide timely, professional, safe and cost-effective emergency service for the preservation of life and property. Onsite to talk about fire safety and let you check out their finest fire truck, on the ready to keep the Alsip community safe and protected.</p>
<p>Alsip Park District</p>	<p>The Mission of the Alsip Park District is to enrich life through quality leisure services at a variety of parks and facilities, while offering programs in the areas of education, social involvement, and recreation in a clean, safe environment for individuals of all ages. Onsite to share all the great activities, events, and services the Park District has to offer. Plus, a free Earth Day craft activity for all to enjoy.</p>

Alsip Police Department	<p>Working 24 hours a day, 365 days a year to protect and serve Alsipians. Onsite to talk about community safety and to collect unwanted prescription drugs/pharmaceuticals for proper disposal – NO NEEDLES or LIQUIDS please.</p>
Alsip-Merrionette Library	<p>The Alsip-Merrionette Park Public Library District is committed to providing high quality service to the public in all phases of its operation. In addition to its general mission of providing information and recreational reading in a variety of formats to its diverse population, the library has determined 4 service responses: Current Topics and Titles, Information Literacy, Formal Learning Support, and Provision of a Secure, Well-Maintained Facility. Onsite to share all the great activities, events, and resources the Library has to offer. Plus, information on the Little Free Library movement where you can learn about them, how you can get involved &</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enter a lottery for a Little Free Library at your home or business!
AmVet Alsip	<p>AmVet serves the needs of veterans from WWII to present and their families. Funds received from the sale of donated goods supports efforts like, blood donations, complications from agent orange, academic scholarships, and other family/medical needs. Onsite to share resources about their services as well as collect textiles and household items: Clothes, shoes, bags, small household appliances, other accessories, linens, knick-knacks – Please bring items in box or bag No chemicals or baby accessories (i.e., cribs, car seats, etc.) View here for acceptable/non-acceptable items.</p>
ComEd	<p>ComEd – Powering Lives Onsite to share resources and information to help you stop losing money on electric bills and get rebates for energy-efficient purchases in your home or business.</p>
Cook County Sustainability	<p>The Cook County Department of Environment and Sustainability works to improve the quality of the environment for all residents of Cook County. Onsite to distribute information about new recycling opportunities in the county as well as other resources to help you and your business be more environmentally responsible with their support and expertise.</p>
EverLights	<p>EverLights is a national company based in Chicago providing many e-waste services and is a company that protects the environment, while also creating employment opportunities for women and minorities. Onsite to collect e-waste materials from the Alsip community. Please see the list of acceptable and non-acceptable items for details.</p>
Metro South Medical Center And Physicians Immediate Care	<p>MetroSouth supports health through a full range of diagnostic services, senior care, along with medical and psychosocial support for the chronically ill. Onsite with Physicians Immediate Care, a partner offering urgent care services, to share resources on services available to the community as well as raffle 2 blue tooth, portable speakers and will give away reusable shopping bags, light-up balls for the kids and a prize wheel and lots of other free prizes related to health.</p>
Midwest Paper Retriever	<p>Midwest Paper Retriever is part of a Family owned business that has been in the recycling industry for near 40 years. Offering a free fundraising program Midwest Paper Retriever provides recycling partners with a green and yellow bin to collect newspaper, catalogs, magazines, junk mail, office paper, school paper, notebooks and folders. Onsite to collect clean paper and cardboard for recycling.</p>

Moraine Valley Community College – Corporate, Community & Continuing Education	<p>MVCC CCCE offers many opportunities for the community to engage in career and life-long learning experiences. The Moraine Business and Conference Center is the perfect venue for business meetings, conferences, workshops, seminars, awards banquets, and other special events.</p> <p>Onsite to share information about summer noncredit classes and the Valley Learning Center program, a summer program for youth. Stop by their table if you are looking for summer camps, activities, and classes for all ages.</p>
NuFarm Americas Inc.	<p>Nufarm Limited is one of the world's leading crop protection and specialist seeds companies. We produce products to help farmers protect their crops against damage caused by weeds, pests, and disease.</p> <p>Onsite to offer information about their services as well as give-a-ways of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 100 auto safety tools to help you when in an emergency and • A lottery of 10 home composting units!! One unit will be on display with informational materials, how-tos, and the benefits of home composting along with a container to collect raffle entries (name, email, phone #). <p>*Winners will be contacted after the event and arrange for either pickup or delivery at no extra charge or cost (within 10 miles of Alsip city center) *</p> <p>*Special thanks to NuFarm for their generous donation of 10 composting units!</p>
Pace Bus	<p>Pace Suburban Bus is the premier suburban transit provider, safely and efficiently moving people to work, school, and other regional destinations.</p> <p>Onsite to share their services and resources as well as hand out reusable shopping bags filled with goodies for all to enjoy.</p>
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Republic Bank	<p>We are a family-owned institution dedicated to serving our local communities. The focus of providing our customers with the products and services they need has allowed them—and Republic Bank of Chicago—to thrive.</p> <p>Onsite to share information about their services to the Alsip community as well as offer a recyclable or recycled, Earth Day promotional give-a-way.</p> <p>*Special thanks to Republic Banks’ generous donation that will help off-set the costs of e-waste recycling.</p>
Respond Now	<p>Hunger. Health. Housing. Dignity. Respect. Because all our neighbors matter. Serving the Chicago south suburbs for 47 years! All donations go to support those members of the community in need.</p> <p>Onsite to collect:</p> <p>Unused, original packaging Toiletries (toilet paper, [shampoo, conditioner, soap/body wash, body lotion – hotel size ok] razors, deodorant for both men & women, pads, tampons, diapers, baby wipes, adult diapers)</p>
Sertoma Centre	<p>The mission of Sertoma Centre, Inc. is to provide opportunities that empower individuals with disabilities to achieve personal success. Onsite to collect used/new hearing aids to support those in need of hearing correction. They will also have information about their club available.</p>

South West Special Recreation Association (SWSRA)	<p>Their mission is to serve individuals with disabilities in their need for recreation so that all persons in our member communities may experience and enjoy positive leisure opportunities. Will be onsite to share resources on services available to the community as well as reusable shopping bag give-a-ways.</p>
Village of Alsip	<p>The Village of Alsip – A Great Place to Live! Onsite to offer information about the Village as well as stormwater pollution prevention tools and yard waste stickers for curbside pickup cans.</p>
Walgreens of Alsip	<p>Your neighborhood drugstore and so much more! Onsite to provide information on prevention of the abuse of opiates & other services they offer to the community.</p>
Worth Lyons Club	<p>The World's Largest Service Club Organization Our members do whatever is needed to help their local communities. With children who need eyeglasses, with seniors who don't have enough to eat and with people we may never meet. Onsite to collect used/new eyeglasses that will go to those in need of sight correction. They will also have information about their club available.</p>

Local School District Volunteers

<p>Hamlin Upper Grade Center in Alsip (district 125) And District 126/ Junior High Eco Club</p>	<p>Students from these two school districts will be onsite to help participants unload cars, direct them to partner activities, food and other resources as well as offer Earth Day related activities for visitors.</p>
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