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Riverside County

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## Recycle and get free entry to the Riverside County Fair & National Date Festival on Wednesday

Families can enter the Riverside County Fair & National Date Festival for free on Wednesday (2/19) by recycling at the gate. The Riverside County Department of Waste Resources is offering #WasteWednesday, a special recycling collection day for fairgoers, to increase the awareness about the importance of properly recycling hazardous household products.

Residents can bring items including small, used electronic devices such as cell phones, telephones, tablets, radios, DVD players/recorders, receivers, computer peripherals like a mouse, keyboard, driver, reader, etc., and ink cartridges.

At least one item per admission is necessary. Materials will be collected on #WasteWednesday 2020 (Feb. 19) at the main gate and gate 6 of the Riverside County Fair & National Date Festival, located at 82-503 Hwy. 111 in Indio. Business waste, automotive batteries, single-use alkaline batteries and lead acid batteries will not be accepted for this promotion. No other household hazardous wastes will be accepted.

This program is provided by the Department of Waste Resources and the Household Hazardous Waste Collection Program. It is important to keep hazardous materials out of the trash to protect county landfills. The department's mission is to protect the general public's health and welfare by efficiently managing Riverside County's solid-waste system. The current Household Hazardous Waste collection schedule is available online: <u>http://www.rcwaste.org/hhw</u>.

The Recycle House will be returning this year in the Junior Exhibit building for kids to have active play and learn the appropriate way to handle household items that are no longer needed/wanted. Children will determine if items need to be landfilled, recycled, composted, reused for donation, or taken to household

hazardous waste collection program. The exhibit will be available all 10 days of the Riverside County Fair & National Date Festival.