



December, 2021  
Greenable Topic  
Mindful Waste Reduction

### What should I know?

⇒ The holiday season brings people together to celebrate, which we can finally do safely! However, it also can bring a lot more solid waste to the landfill. In fact, some studies have shown an extra 25% more solid waste produced between Thanksgiving and New Year's! Let's all do our part and give the environment a cleaner Happy New Year!

⇒ Help to lessen the amount of waste by buying items that use little or no packaging. Resolve to purchase at least one recycled-content product or car-pool safely. Choose sustainable options for travel and cheer while decreasing your carbon footprint!

### Why is it important?

⇒ Many common holiday items end up in the trash. But in Woodbridge we do so much more to give back to our environment and community! For instance, common household items, books, craft supplies, sporting equipment, and old toys and games can all be brought to or found at our [Reuse It Center!](#)

⇒ The type of paper a holiday card is printed on will determine if you can recycle it. Cards on photography paper or embellished with things like foil or glitter should not go in your recycle cart, while cards printed on plain paper can. Eliminate the recycling guess work for your loved ones and reduce waste entirely with an e-card instead!

### How can I get involved?

⇒ Buying local is a positive experience which not only helps the environment but the fabric of our community. Learn more about how to help our local economy. Visit the [Woodbridge Buy Local website](#).

⇒ Keep an eye open for products made from recycled materials or local artists like The Gallery on Main - now open at 101 Main Street!

⇒ Tickets to a concert or theater production, like the [Avenel Performing Arts center](#) are wonderful experiences and leave no packaging waste.

### Reminders!

⇒ At the WHS Café from 11am to 1pm on Dec 12<sup>th</sup> you can paint with Santa! For reservations please see the [Township Website home page](#).

⇒ Saturday, December 18<sup>th</sup> is a day to celebrate holiday pictures with Santa at 54 Cutters Dock Road! For reservations please see the [Township Website home page](#).

⇒ Cookies & Cans! Bring 4 dozen cookies or cans on Dec 10<sup>th</sup> at VFW Post 6061 Inman Ave. 1/2 will be given to families in need & 1/2 to heroes overseas.