

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Program

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HHW Program Overview



- HHW includes motor oil, antifreeze, fluorescent bulbs, paint and electronics
- City/County residential program began in 1994 (75/25 cost share)
- Ecoflo, Inc. operates the HHW collection center located 2750 Patterson Street
- Operates Wednesday thru Friday (10am-6pm) and Saturdays (8am-2pm)

HHW Program – 5 Year Trends

Since FY 2012/13...

- Annual traffic at the HHW drop off site has increased nearly 20% (21,000 to 25,000 vehicles)
- Annual costs for the HHW program has increased by 24% (\$634,000 to \$787,000)
- Average annual cost increase of \$92,000 has resulted from 2012 state-mandated electronics disposal ban in landfills
- Annually diverted about 1,650,000 lbs of HHW from landfill disposal
- ***Top concern from citizens is the lack of Monday-Tuesday operating hours***

HHW Program – FY2016/17 Funding

- City residents pay an HHW Fee based on water service size
- Current standard fee is \$0.40 per month, or \$4.80 per year (fee increases with increased water service size)
- Current fee structure generated about \$462,000 in revenue (has not changed since 2013)
- Guilford County provided about \$197,000 (25% of program costs)
- Current operating expenses are \$787,000 (gap of \$128,000)

HHW – FY2018/19 Funding Recommendation

- Proposed user fee increase of \$0.20 per month , or \$2.40 per year (provides an additional \$199,000 in revenue)
- Standard user fee would be \$0.60 per month, or \$7.20 per year
- Funds Monday and Tuesday Collection Center operations (Cost = \$65,000)
- Funds program growth and cost increases experienced since 2013