

HOPEWELL VALLEY GREEN TEAM  
November 11, 2021 via Zoom  
Agenda

WEBSITE (Scott)

WATERSHED AMBASSADORS: Amanda Weigand & Marisa Immordino

PLASTIC POLLUTION REDUCTION ACT

- ~ Plastic Straw Ban Nov 4, 2021
- ~ Single Use Bag Ban May 4, 2022
- Reusable Bag Swap

REDUCE/REUSE/RECYCLE

- ~ Tollgate Green Team Presentation Nov 8
- ~ American Recycles Day Nov 15
- ~ New phase for Terracycle LOOP program
- ~ Styrofoam: Exploring Options for Densifying
- ~ CDs/DVDs & Cases: GreenDisk.com
- ~ Plans for 2022
- Hopewell Farmers Market Sun 9-2?

2021 Recycling Report

#5 Plastics: 716 pounds (all on June 26)

Wine Corks: 135 pounds

CDs/DVDs: 407 pounds (about half still looking for a home)

Dental Care Products & Stick Deodorant: 62 pounds

Brita & Pur Filters: 35 pounds

Razors: 5 pounds

Tennis Balls: 9 pounds

Plus... Button Batteries and Cell Phones which I forgot to weigh

GREEN TEAM GOALS FOR 2022

UPCOMING EVENTS

Nov 15: America Recycles Day

Dec 9: Green Team Meeting

Draft 2022 Meeting Dates: Jan 13, Feb 10, Mar 10, Apr 14, May 12, Jun 9, Jul 14, Aug 11, Sep 8, Oct 13, Nov 10, Dec 8

## **HOPEWELL VALLEY GREEN TEAM GOALS FOR 2022**

*Draft Sept 23, 2021*

### **SUSTAINABLE JERSEY CERTIFICATION**

- Assist Pennington Borough in the process of Re-certifying with Sustainable Jersey in 2022.

Note: Check to see if Hopewell Township and/or Hopewell Borough plan to Certify in 2022.

### **COMMUNITY EDUCATION with an emphasis on REDUCE/REUSE**

- Single Use Bag Ban (short-term plan is a “reusable bag swap”)
- Energy Efficiency
- Tips for Reducing Waste
- Training for Correct Recycling

Note: Venues for education include monthly attendance at Pennington Farmers Market, Community events such as Pennington Day, Hopewell Harvest Fair, Mercer County Green Fest, and the events organized by the Hopewell Valley Arts Council.

*Note: We would like to purchase a table cover with the Green Team’s name and logo so that we can be more visible at community events.*

### **RECYCLING**

- Find a way to densify Styrofoam so that we can resume collection

Note: A long-term goal is to find a host for a recycling depot in the Valley

### **COLLABORATION**

- Continue to be actively involved in the HoVal Regional School District Green Team and the Mercer County Sustainability Coalition
- Assist with the Pennington Borough Carbon Free by 2035 Initiative
- Actively engage representatives of our 3 municipal governments