



DU PAGE COUNTY

Environmental Committee

Final Regular Meeting Agenda

421 N. COUNTY FARM ROAD
WHEATON, IL 60187
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Tuesday, June 2, 2026

8:30 AM

Room 3500A

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL
3. CHAIRWOMAN'S REMARKS - CHAIR HAIDER
4. PUBLIC COMMENT
5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
 - 5.A. [26-1613](#)
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 - 6.A. [26-1601](#)
bioMérieux - Sustainability Accomplishments
 - 6.B. [26-1593](#)
SCARCE – Quarterly Update DuPage Programs
7. OLD BUSINESS
8. NEW BUSINESS
9. ADJOURNMENT



Minutes

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Draft Summary

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1. CALL TO ORDER

8:30 AM meeting was called to order by Chair Saba Haider at 8:30 AM.

2. ROLL CALL

Other members present: Yeena Yoo, Kari Glasser, and Paula Deacon Garcia
Staff Present: Joy Hinz, Geoffrey Matteson, Myles Barnes, Jennifer Boyer, Ian Johnstone, and Nicholas Alfonso.

PRESENT	Evans, Haider, Honig, LaPlante, and Martinez
REMOTE	Cronin Cahill

3. CHAIRWOMAN'S REMARKS - CHAIR HAIDER

Chair Haider welcomed all those in attendance for today's environmental committee and highlighted the successful events board members and County staff attended during Earth month.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

Kay Mckeen, Executive Director of SCARCE shared an update on the recycling and green events SCARCE has attended and the events they have coming up in the future.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

5.A. [26-1343](#)

Environmental Committee Minutes - Regular Meeting - Tuesday, April 7th, 2026

Attachments: [4-7 Minuets Summary \(Final\).pdf](#)

RESULT:	APPROVED
MOVER:	Lucy Evans
SECONDER:	Melissa Martinez

6. ACTION ITEMS

6.A. [EN-R-0004-26](#)

Intergovernmental Delegation Agreement Between the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency and the County of DuPage, Illinois a Joint and Cooperative Inspection Program (July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2031) County reimbursement amount up to \$95,381.13, based on expenditures

Attachments: [Delegation IGA Du Page County Final_Redacted.pdf](#)

RESULT:	APPROVED AND SENT TO FINANCE
MOVER:	Lucy Evans
SECONDER:	Andrew Honig

6.B. [EN-R-0005-26](#)

Resolution Opposing U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Rescission of Ethylene Oxide Emissions Standards for Sterilization Facilities Residual Risk and Technology Review Rule

County Board member Kari Galassi commented on the importance of this resolution and thanked the committee for bringing this forward. In response, Chair Haider thanks member Galassi and Vice Chair Evans added that it is important that this committee keep paying attention to items like this.

RESULT:	APPROVED AT COMMITTEE
MOVER:	Lucy Evans
SECONDER:	Andrew Honig

7. PRESENTATIONS

7.A. [26-1353](#)

Advancing Environmental initiatives Through Volunteerism and the Green Business Chamber - Kris Murphy

Kristina Murphy - Founder, Acting Director, and Board Member of the Chicagoland Green Chamber of Commerce (CGCC) presented on the Climate Reality Project, the Chicagoland Green Chamber of Commerce, how alignment with CGCC has benefits for DuPage County Environmental Initiatives, and membership with the CGCC. Member LaPlante thanked Kris for her presentation and expressed interest in the County partnering with the work that CGCC does. Vice Chair Evans invited members of the board to approach her about getting connected with CGCC.

Attachments: [Advancing Environmental Initiatives Through Volunteerism and the Green Business Chamber.pdf](#)

8. STAFF REPORTS

8.A. [26-1352](#)

International Compost Awareness Week Native Tree, Shrub and Compost Event May 15th & 16th

Joy Hinz - Environmental & Sustainability Programs Manager updated the board about the Environmental Division's upcoming Native Tree, Shrub, and Compost giveaway at the DuPage County Forest Preserve District's Native Plant Sale in honor of International Compost Awareness Week.

Attachments: [Arbor Day ICAW Memo.pdf](#)

RESULT:	ACCEPTED AND PLACED ON FILE
MOVER:	Lucy Evans
SECONDER:	Andrew Honig

9. OLD BUSINESS

Member Andrew Honig updated the committee on his partnership with SCARCE to fight hunger in local schools.

10. NEW BUSINESS

No new business was discussed.

11. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:02 AM.



Presentation

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bioMérieux Lombard



**HEALTH SAFETY ENVIRONMENT
AND SUSTAINABILITY**





OUR COMPANY PURPOSE

WE HELP MAKE THE WORLD A HEALTHIER PLACE

This dedication to public health is the thread that connects everything we do. It connects us to our history - since 1963, we have been fulfilling the vision of the Mérieux family to **improve health**, while maintaining the values of **respect, accountability, transparency, and sharing**. We understand that our expertise in infectious diseases and our international presence give us a **special duty to act as a responsible corporate citizen**, serving the **greater good** and the **community**.

This commitment also connects us with our environment - infectious diseases are one of the major threats to humankind.

Their emergence and spread are dramatically accelerated by climate change and globalization. The risk of finding ourselves unarmed to face ultra-resistant bacteria is now a reality. Diagnostics is a game changer in this fight. By pioneering diagnostic solutions, we help clinicians **improve patient care** and we help industries **prevent contamination** of the food and pharmaceuticals they produce.

**We are bioMérieux. We act for a positive impact.
We act for a healthier world.**

OUR MISSION AND AMBITION

PIONEERING DIAGNOSTICS

To improve public health,
focusing on the fight against infectious diseases

IMMUNOASSAYS

Specialized
high-medical-value offer



MOLECULAR BIOLOGY

Leader in the syndromic diagnosis
of infectious diseases

MICROBIOLOGY

Two leadership positions
in both clinical and industrial applications



OUR INTERNATIONAL PRESENCE



Americas

LOCATIONS:

Argentina, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Mexico, United States

BIOINDUSTRIAL SITES:

Brazil, United States

R&D CENTERS:

Brazil, United States

WE ARE LOCATED IN

45 COUNTRIES

and serve more than 160 countries through a large distribution network



Asia Pacific

LOCATIONS:

Australia, China, India, Japan, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, South Korea, Thailand, Vietnam

BIOINDUSTRIAL SITES:

Australia, China, India

R&D CENTERS:

China, India



Europe, Middle East and Africa

LOCATIONS:

Algeria, Austria, Belgium, Côte d'Ivoire, Czech Republic, Denmark, Egypt, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Kenya, Nigeria, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Russia, Serbia, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, The Netherlands, Turkey, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom

BIOINDUSTRIAL SITES:

France, Germany, Italy, Spain

R&D CENTERS:

Belgium, France, Germany, Italy

OUR OFFER - INDUSTRIAL APPLICATIONS

FOOD SAFETY & QUALITY



SAMPLE & MEDIA PREPARATION
Optimized preparation and enrichment



VERIFLOW®
PCR detection



BIOBALL®
Standardized strains



CHEMUNEX® D-COUNT®
Ultra rapid microbiology testing



GENE-UP®
Automated PCR pathogen detection



CONNECT-UP™
Lab data management



TEMPO®
Automated quality indicator solution



VIDAS® KUBE
Automated pathogen detection



xPRO™ Program
Custom Assay

PHARMA QUALITY CONTROL



3P® SMART PLATES
Environmental monitoring



3P® CONNECT
Environmental monitoring



3P® ENTERPRISE
Environmental monitoring



BIOBALL®
Microbiological QC strains



BACT/ALERT® 3D
Sterility testing



SCANRDI®
Sterility testing



BIOFIRE® Mycoplasma
Mycoplasma testing



ENDONEXT™
Endotoxin testing



ACCELLIX®
Cellular quality attribute testing



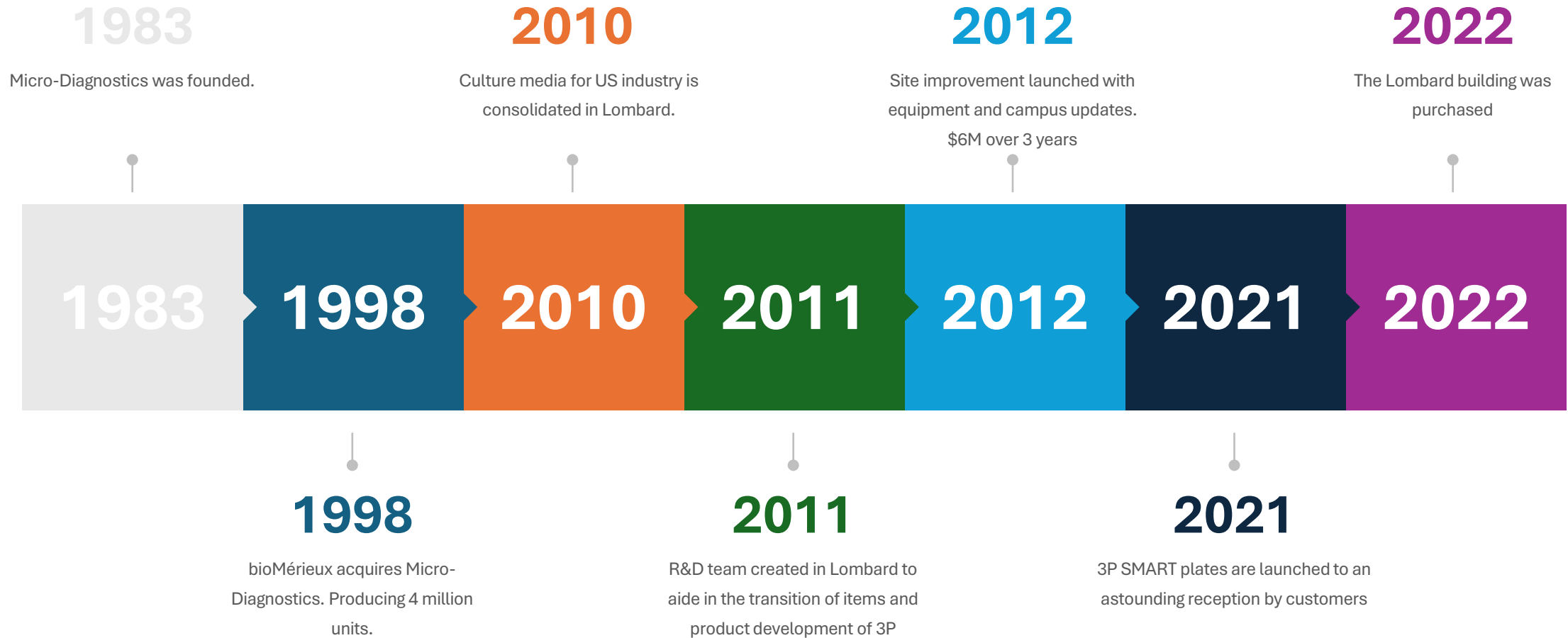
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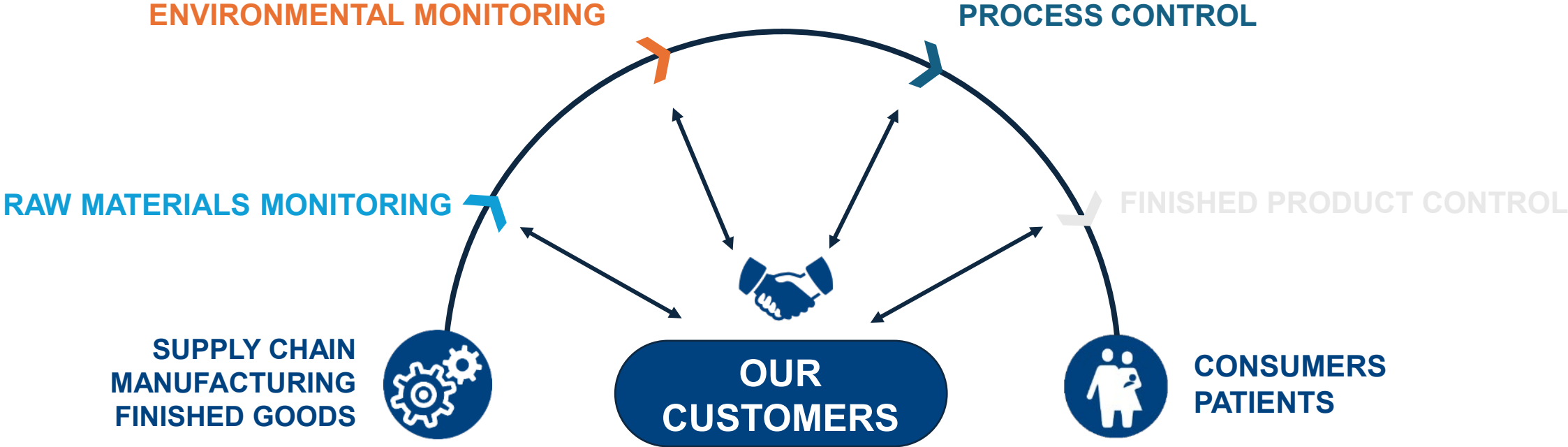
What we do

Lombard designs, develops and manufactures prepared culture media in plates, bottles and tubes for the use in environmental monitoring of controlled environments and finished good testing to ensure consumer safety and product quality

A brief History of the Lombard site



Supporting our customers



**Market Intelligence, Quality Control, Innovative instruments,
Reagents, IT solutions, Data Science, Services**

Our CSR strategy



Our CSR ambition AT A GLANCE

OUR MAIN CSR COMMITMENTS FOR 2028



HEALTH



PLANET



TEAM MEMBERS



BUSINESS CONDUCT



COMMUNITIES

ACCESSIBILITY

+60% patient results
supporting AMS in low & lower-middle income countries vs. 2023

NET ZERO CO_{2e} BY 2050

including following targets² (validated by SBTi, in absolute value):
SCOPES 1&2 : -62% by 2034
with a milestone at -35% in 2028
SCOPE 3 : -35% by 2034

SAFETY

Improve our team members' **health, safety and well-being** year over year (Total Recordable Incident & Occupational Illness Rate – TR2IR + Mental Health Index)

ETHICS

≥75/100 EcoVadis Ethics score

PHILANTHROPY

≥1.5% of net income attributable to the parent company of the previous year, **dedicated to philanthropy**

ANTIMICROBIAL STEWARDSHIP - AMS

≥90% of referenced antibiotics addressed by our **antibiotic susceptibility testing (AST)** solutions¹

PRODUCT ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE

-25% of virgin plastic used per test sold by 2034² (-5% in 2028)
-25% energy consumption per instrument by 2034² (-8% in 2028)

DIVERSITY, EQUITY & INCLUSION

Ensure **living wage** to all team members and reduce **gender wage gap**

PROCUREMENT

75% of our procurement spend covered by suppliers with a CSR assessment.

SHARING MEDICAL KNOWLEDGE

+25% in medical education activities & Healthcare professionals reached vs. 2023

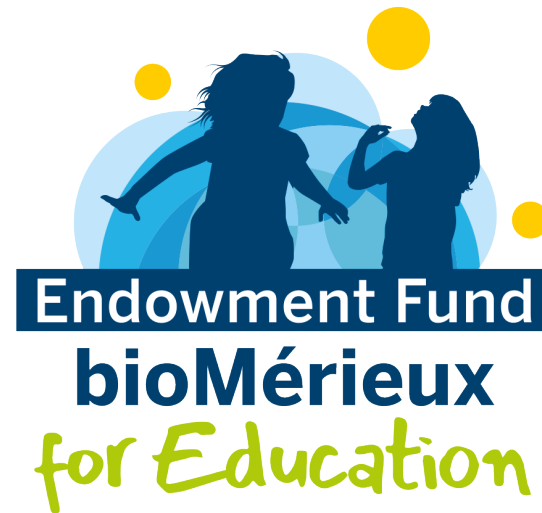
69 weighted average score

¹ Based on EUCAST list and on CLSI Tier I to Tier IV list

² vs. 2023

THE biomérieux endowment fund

- Funded in 2020 by bioMérieux with an initial endowment of €20m.
- Chaired by Alexandre Mérieux.
- Works in favor of equal opportunities with the ambition of reducing inequalities through and within education, so that everyone can find their place in the world.



- Supports projects dedicated to early childhood (0-8 years old) in geographic areas where bioMérieux is present.
- The Fund relies on bioMérieux team members to identify and monitor the supported projects.

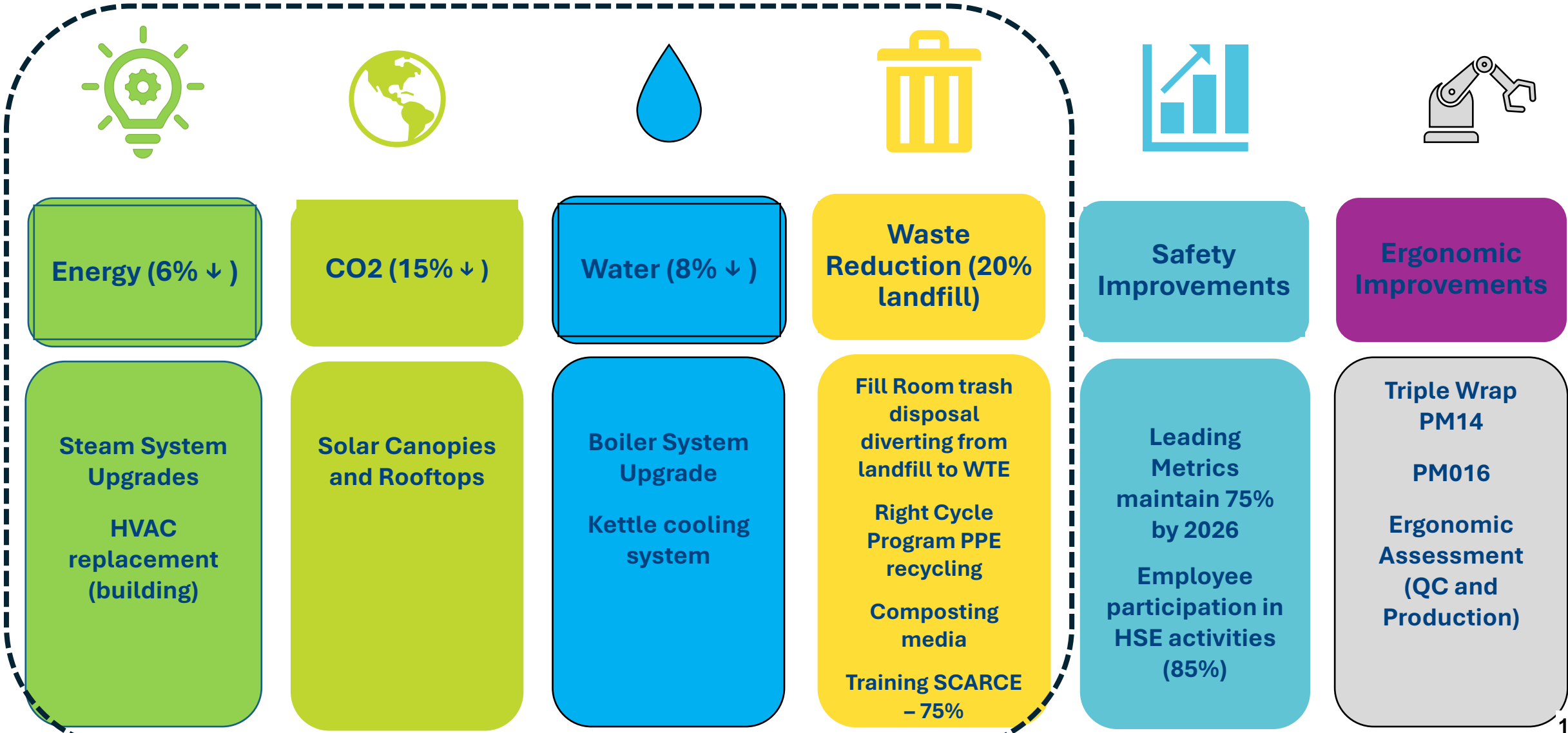


Since 2020

47 projects supported
23 countries of operation
€6.8 million allocated

Health Safety and Environment Objectives 2026

Lombard



EcoVibe Committee













HSE, Industrialization, R&D, Quality Control, Manufacturing, Supply Chain

Environmental Analysis - Activities with Medium

and High Residual Risk - Whole Site.

WASTE GENERATION

Job step	Impact	Residual Impact	Impacts	Example	Control
Bottle/Tube Filling	40	36	CO2 & emissions; soils and water contamination; global warming; landfill	Non-hazardous mixed waste: regular trash	Waste sorting and investigation of possible waste recovery streams
Maintenance	40	36			
Plate Dispensing	40	36			

Packaging/Labeling			
Environmental Aspect	Example	Impact	What can we do?
Waste 	Secondary and tertiary packaging (cardboard, paper, plastic, glass, etc.) 	CO2 emissions; soils and water contamination 	Waste sorting, material recycling 
Materials Consumption 	Consumption of non-hazardous products (plastics, cardboard, paper packaging, etc.) 	Deforestation, Consumption of Energy from Non-Renewable Sources 	Substitution of hazardous materials with less hazardous substances 
Energy Sources 	Electricity consumption 	Depletion of Natural Resources (Water, Gas, Oil) 	Maintenance, LED, presence detectors, energy-efficient equipment, etc.) 

Line/Area Cleaning			
Environmental Aspect	Example	Impact	What can we do?
Air 	Emission of chemicals into the air 	Global Warming 	Preventative maintenance of equipment 
Waste 	Non-hazardous mixed waste 	CO2 & Methane Production; soils and water contamination 	Waste sorting practices and identification of improvement opportunities 
Materials Consumption 	Consumption of chemical or biological products (alcohol, solvent, etc.) 	Deforestation, Emissions to the Atmosphere, Consumption of Energy from Non-Renewable Sources; water and soil 	Reduction of quantities used (optimization) 
Water 	Water consumption (public water supply, purified water, reverse osmosis water) 	Decrease of a Limited Resource 	Awareness-raising of personnel, recording of anomalies, HSE inspections 
	Discharge into the wastewater system (rinse water, culture media, chemical products, biological products) 	Eutrophication, Decrease in the Necessary Concentration of O2 for aquatic life, Loss of Biodiversity 	Personnel awareness-raising 



CSR overview: CO2 and energy reduction

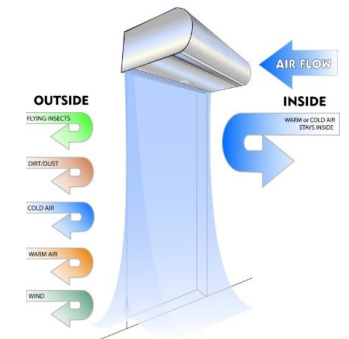
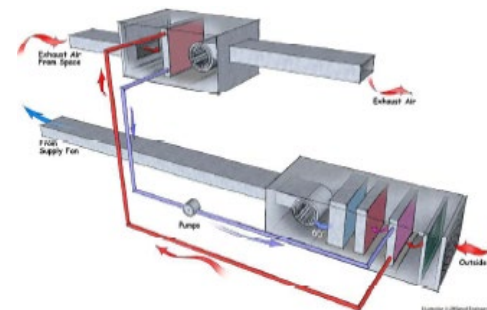
Projects in progress and planned:

➤ Solar Panels

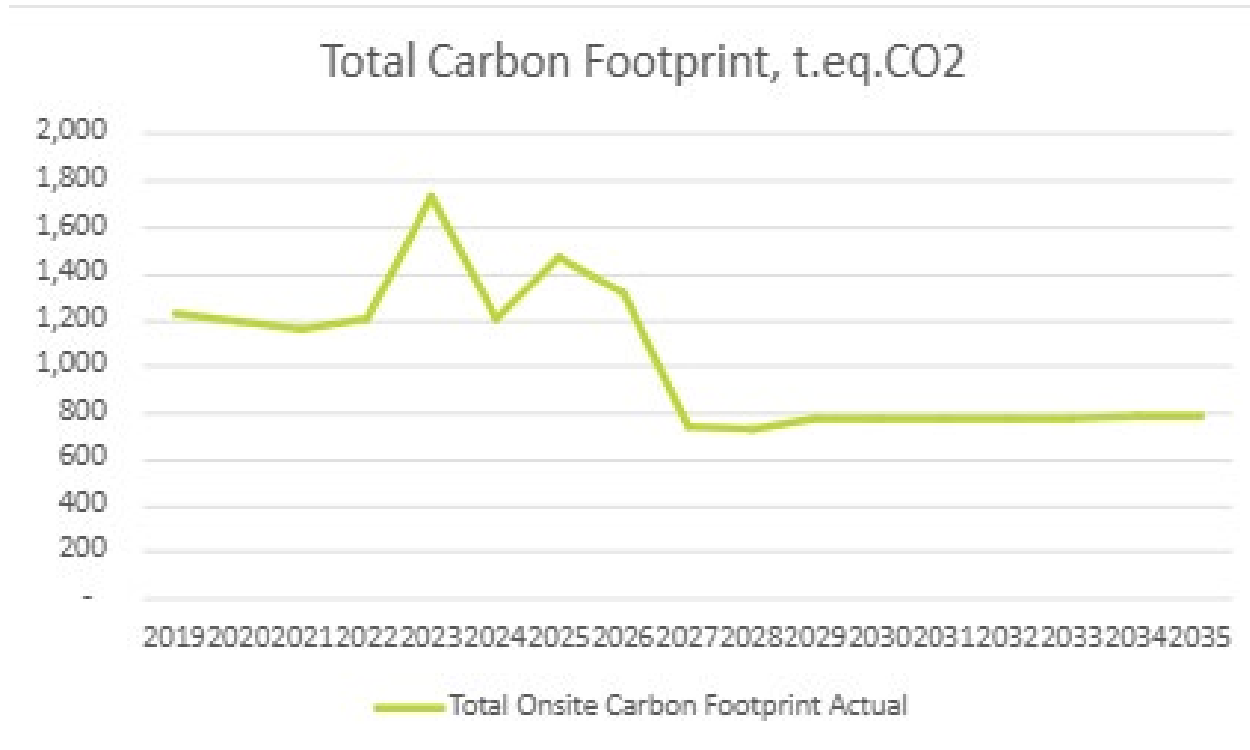
- Account for 30% of site usage
- Carports
- Roof construction

➤ Lab air recovery systems

- Eliminate natural gas usage
- Capture energy from exhausted air to be more efficient
- Electric HVAC, RTU
- Window/unused entry ways replacement
- Dock door replacement + air curtains



CSR overview: CO2 and energy reduction



Projects in progress and planned:

➤ 2026:

- Windows replacement + entry ways
- Heat pumps
- Occupancy sensors
- Airside recovery labs
- Boiler replacement

➤ 2027:

- Replacement dock doors + air curtains
- Electrify dehumidification

➤ 2028:

- Receptacle controls

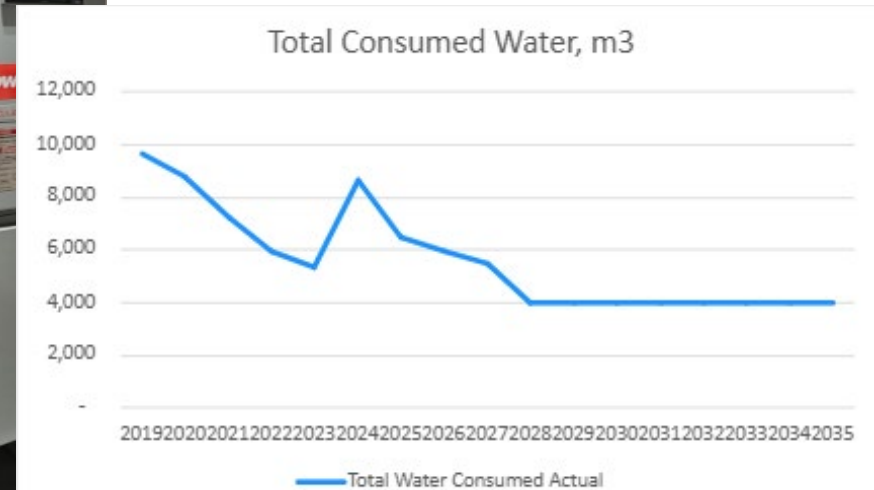
➤ 2029:

- Replacement HVAC units + heaters

CSR overview: water reduction

Projects in progress:

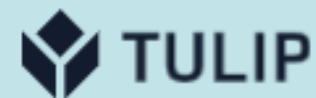
- Large kettles
 - Clean in place system for kettles
 - Add water meter to measure process
- Clean steam boilers
 - Reduce water usage by 15%
 - Install in progress
- Cooling loop upgrade



CSR overview: waste reduction

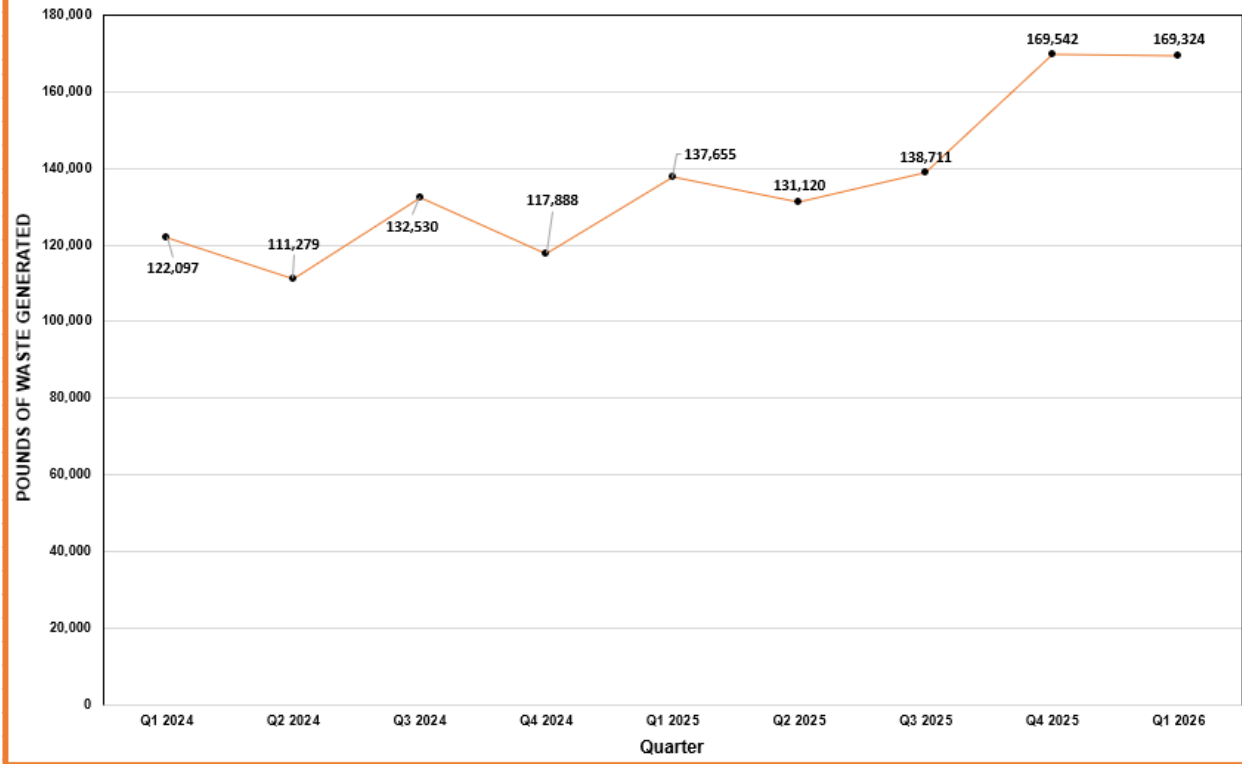
Projects in progress and planned:

- Kimberly Clark Right Cycle program to recycle single use gowning items (1971 lb APR2025-APR2026) and future expanding to all PPE
- Waste to energy: scrapped product and QC finished product testing
- Composting of discarded media from the kettle
- Baler for LDPE
- Tulip EBR phased implementation 2026: scrap reduction
- CAPEX – compactor with cart tipper
- Switching from FEL dumpsters
- Earth Flag Certification for DuPage County Organizations

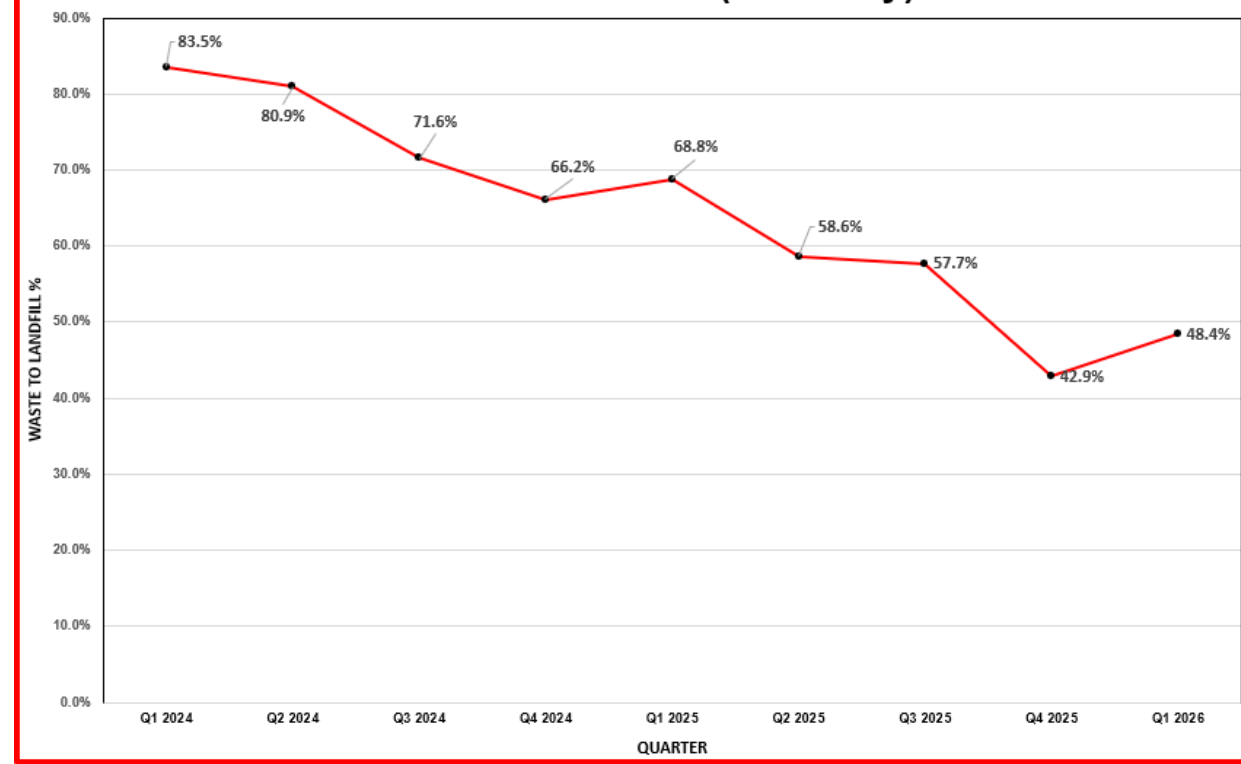


Waste graphs

Total Generated Waste (lbs) - Quarterly



Waste to Landfill % (Quarterly)



2022 Landfill	2023 Landfill	2024 Landfill	2025 Landfill
83.7%	86%	75.5%	57.0%

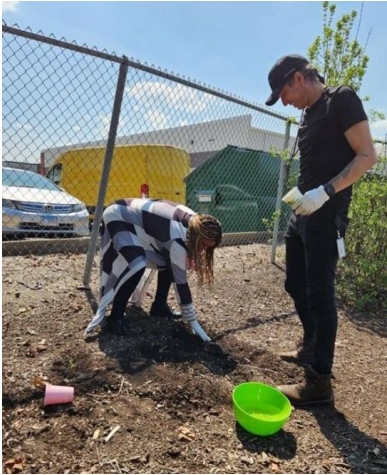
Waste-2025 and 2026 projections

Waste Category	Disposal Method	2025 Total cost	2025 Totals, lb	current %	Estimate, lb	% estimate
Biological Waste	Incineration with Energy Recovery	13,641.37	4,499.00	0.78%	6,600.00	1.10%
	Landfilled	502.00	151.00			
Chemical Waste	Incineration without Energy Recovery	0.00	53.00			
	Incineration with Energy Recovery	0.00	0.00			
	Landfilled	0.00	10.00			
	Material Recycling	0.00	89.00			
Right Cycle Program (PPE)	Material Recycling	0.00	1,716.00		2,580.00	0.43%
Electronic Waste	Material Recycling	0.00	212.00			
Glass	Material Recycling	0.00	0.00			
Plastics	Material Recycling	21.30	980.00			
Metal	Material Recycling	227.19	3,630.00			
Cardboard	Material Recycling	12,933.67	99,661.00	17.27%	120,000.00	20.00%
Wood	Material Recycling	116.00	12,543.00	2.17%	12,000.00	2.00%
Rubbish / Single Stream	Landfilled	53,252.22	324,284.00	56.20%	72,620.00	12.10%
	Incineration with Energy Recovery	50,317.40	82,280.00	14.26%	294,000.00	49.00%
	Compost	13,200.50	14,720.00	2.55%	60,000.00	10.00%
	Material Recycling	5,848.20	32,200.00	5.58%	32,200.00	5.37%



Monthly Totals (lbs)	YTD (lbs)	YTD (lbs)
Monthly Waste to Landfill %	577,028	600,000
Quarterly Waste to Landfill %	YTD %	YTD %
	57.0%	12.1% 25

2025 Events: April Earth Day 2025/2026



LOMBARD Health, Safety, Environment, and Sustainability Communications

April 2025

CLIMATE CHANGE

Health
 Environment
 Safety
 Sustainability

CLIMATE CHANGE

As we continue to work towards our **CSR goals** and to mark a **2025 Earth Day**, I wanted to take a moment to address an issue that affects us all:

climate change

Climate change is one of the most pressing challenges of our time. Its impacts are significant, affecting our environment, health, and economy. From rising temperatures and sea levels to more frequent and severe weather events, the evidence is clear that we must act now to mitigate these effects.

What can be done during our daily work and lives:

- **Reduce Energy Consumption** Turn off lights, computers, and other electronic devices when not in use.
- **Minimize Waste** Reduce, reuse, and recycle whenever possible. Avoid single-use plastics and opt for reusable items.
- **Sustainable Transportation** Carpool, use public transportation, bike, or walk when possible.
- **Support Green Initiatives** Participate in or support BMx and community initiatives aimed at reducing carbon footprints.
- **Stay Informed**: Keep up-to-date with the latest information on climate change and share your knowledge.

Our collective efforts can make a significant difference. Let's work together to create a more sustainable future for ourselves and future generations.

WE ACT FOR THE PLANET



2025 Events: May and June

Biodiversity day 2025/ Commute Day 2025



Biodiversity Day at Lombard – 22 May

In recognition of the **International Day for Biological Diversity**, the Lombard site joined the global effort to raise awareness and take action for nature. To mark the occasion, we've set up **bird feeders outside our facility** to support local wildlife and encourage biodiversity right here in our own backyard.

This small act can also help **keep birds away from the warehouse**, promoting a safer and more harmonious environment for both wildlife and our operations.

A special thank you to our **Supply Chain team** for their hands-on help in setting up the feeders and making this initiative possible!

Let's continue to find simple, meaningful ways to support the planet—one feeder at a time.



WE ACT FOR THE PLANET 






COMMUTE DAY – 3rd of JUNE

Commuting Day & Bicycle Day – June 3

Let's celebrate smarter, greener, and healthier ways to get to work!

Join us on **Tuesday, June 3**, as we recognize the importance of sustainable commuting. Whether you're working from home, carpooling with colleagues, or biking to work, your participation helps reduce traffic congestion, lower emissions, and promote a healthier lifestyle for everyone.

How You Can Participate:

-  **Carpool:** Team up with coworkers to share the ride. Carpooling and shared commutes foster stronger connections with your coworkers.
-  **Bike or Walk to Work:** Enjoy the fresh air and get some exercise on your way in. Biking and walking are great for your physical and mental well-being.
-  **Work from Home:** Skip the commute entirely and reduce your carbon footprint. Applicable to eligible roles. Fewer cars on the road means cleaner air and a smaller carbon footprint.

 **30 participants will be randomly selected to receive a Lombard swag** as a thank-you for supporting this initiative!

Let's make **June 3** a day of impact, connection, and fun. Mark your calendars and choose your way to commute with purpose! Take pictures and send them to Anna Epstein. Managers will send HSE a list of participants, so make sure you report how you participated!

WE ACT FOR THE PLANET 

2025 Events – September and December



Lombard Team!

As part of our commitment to sustainability and in celebration of **World Cleanup Day 2025**, we're organizing a **Household Hazardous Waste Collection** to help safely dispose of materials that can harm our environment if not handled properly.

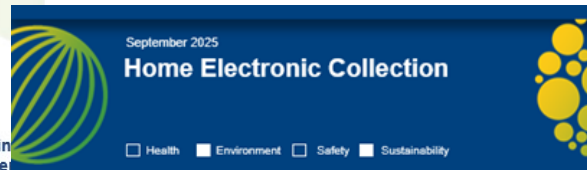
Prevent Pollution: Improper disposal of HHW, such as pouring it down the drain or throwing it in the trash, can lead to harmful chemicals leaking into the soil and contaminating groundwater sources.

Avoid Health Risks: HHW can pose serious health risks to humans if not handled properly. For example, chemicals can cause burns, poisoning, or respiratory issues.

Protect Ecosystems: Hazardous waste can negatively affect local ecosystems, harming wildlife and plants.

All collected materials will be handled by certified hazardous waste professionals to ensure safe and compliant disposal.

A segregation area will be organized near hazardous waste cabinet in 1113 Warehouse. The event is starting September 01st and will be open till September 26th.



Lombard Team!

In celebration of **World Cleanup Day**, Lombard Site is launching a special initiative to help us clean up our planet - starting with our old electronics! Did you know that improperly disposed electronic waste (e-waste) can harm our environment and health? We are encouraging everyone to recycle their e-waste responsibly.

September 01st thru October 01st

Bring items to the **E-waste box in 1121 and 1101 Warehouses.**

What can we collect?	
Computer Monitors (Flat)	Cell Phones, pagers
Televisions (Flat)	Gaming Consoles / Handheld Games
Computers (Desktop, Laptop)	Routers/Modems/Switching Boxes
Keyboards and Mice	Hard Drives / Other Memory Devices
Printers / Scanners / Fax Machines	Small Household Appliances
Copy Machines	Microwaves
Stereos / Radios	Cameras
Rechargeable Batteries	Circuit Boards or Electronic Equipment
Medical Devices	Carbon Monoxide Detectors

NO VHS/DVD/CASSETTES
No Cathode Ray Tube-type TVs or monitors



Lombard Team!

Every year, millions unite to clean up our planet. **World Cleanup Day** is a powerful reminder that small actions – when multiplied – can create global impact.

Join the bioMérieux Community in celebrating **World Cleanup Day 2025** and be part of the global effort to make our world a cleaner, greener place.

How Can You Participate?

1. Drop off Household Hazardous Waste

Sept 1–26

Safely dispose of chemicals, cleaners, paints & more (*Details coming soon*).

2. Recycle Old Electronics

Sept 1–Oct 1

Bring in unused tech for proper recycling (*Details coming soon*).

3. Join our Site Cleanup Day

Sept 17

Let's roll up our sleeves and clean up together!

Together, we can turn awareness into action. Let's make **World Cleanup Day 2025** count!



Lombard Team!

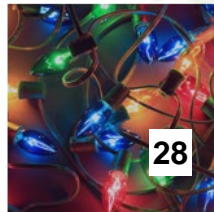
As you get ready to decorate for the holidays, remember to recycle your old holiday lights, extension cords, and scrap wiring. You can drop off these items at the designated bins in the **HSE office** or the **1101 break room area** from **December 15th until January 10th**.

Why is this important? Recycling these materials helps reduce waste and prevents harmful substances from ending up in landfills. It also conserves valuable resources by allowing the materials to be reused in new products.

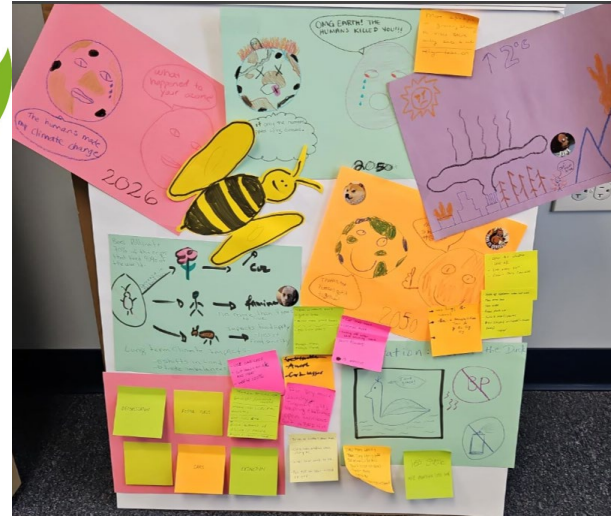
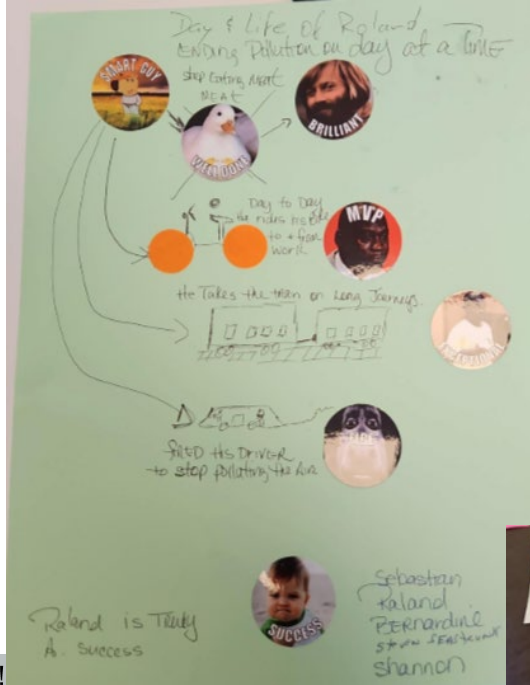
Please **remove all plastic decorations, clips, or bags** before placing items in the bin to help prevent equipment jams during processing.

By recycling your holiday lights, you're not only helping the environment but also supporting a sustainable future.

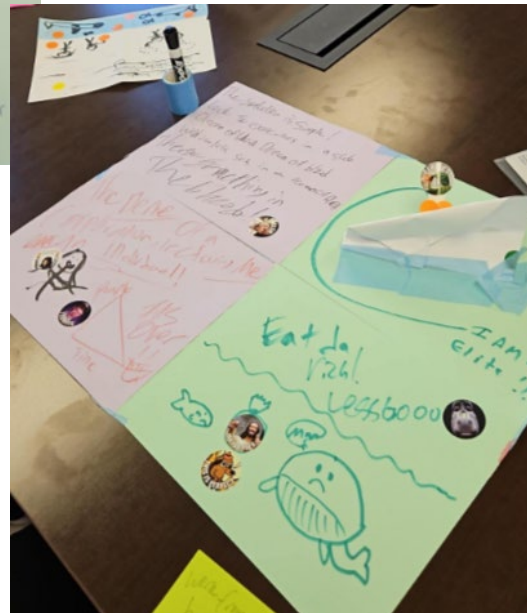
Happy holidays and happy recycling! 🌱♻️



2025/2026 Events – Climate Fresk

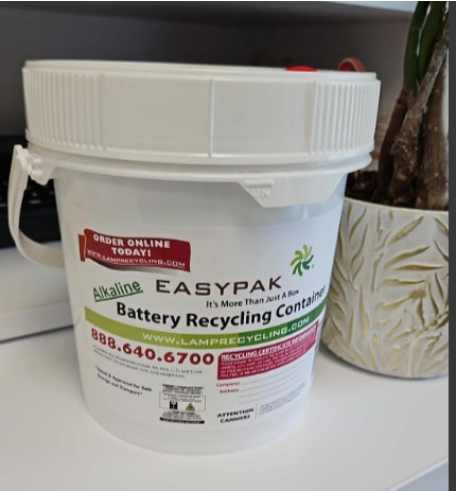


All the cards are in your hands!



2025-2026 Events

➤ Alkaline batteries recycling

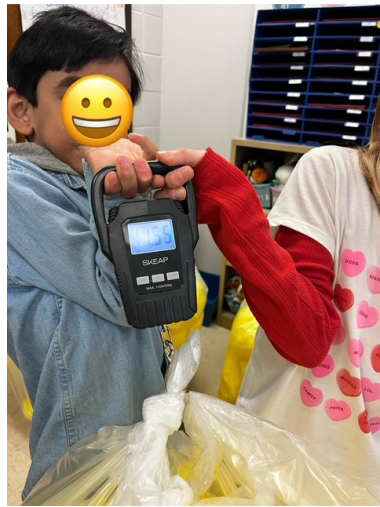
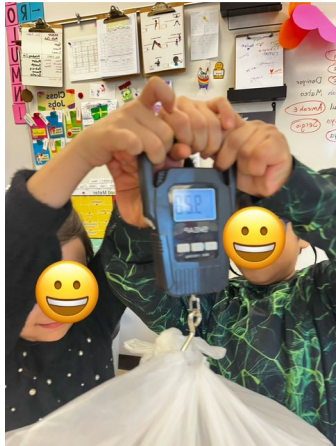


➤ IPA bottles recycling



2025-2026 Events

- Support local schools with plastic (for benches)
 - Stevenson School (Lombard) – SD 45 (9 pick-ups)
 - Ardmore School (Villa Park) – SD 45 (4 pick-ups)
 - York Center School (Lombard) – SD 45 (3 pick-ups)



2025-2026 Events

➤ Bread-tag collection



LOMBARD TEAM!

- We continue our recycling project, which we kindly ask you to participate in!
- Bread tag collection boxes are located in break rooms and HSE office.
- You are encouraged to collect and bring bread tags from home!

Recycle bread tags here!



Bread tags for wheelchairs
We've partnered with SCARCE for this recycling project. SCARCE works with Danielle Cares for Chairs to recycle bread tags. Funds raised through recycling bread tags provide mobility equipment for those in need. Learn more on www.scarce.org.



It takes about 260000 bread tags to purchase a basic wheelchair – so every bread tag counts!



1111 break room



1101 break room



RightCycle Greenovation Celebration



2025 Results 
Landfill Diversion of

1,931 lbs.

BioMerieux (Lombard)

1109 N Main St, Lombard, IL

Thanks for making a positive impact on the environment!

By participating in The RightCycle™ Program, you have made a difference – for the environment and your company. By diverting your used PPE from landfill and into our innovative program, you've realized a different future for your waste stream. Congratulations!

A stylized signature in black ink, consisting of the letters "NB" and a flourish.

Nick Brown
Sr. Director, Ansell Services

The Ansell logo, featuring the word "Ansell" in a white sans-serif font with a horizontal line underneath, set against a background of green foliage and a blue sky.

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2026 Events – May/June

- Lombard Planting Days – 8th and 15th of May
 - 2 raised beds for mint, basil, thyme, etc.
- Lombard Biodiversity Acknowledgement - June
 - Waystation





PIONEERING DIAGNOSTICS



Presentation

421 N. COUNTY FARM
ROAD
WHEATON, IL 60187
www.dupagecounty.gov

File #: 26-1593

Agenda Date: 6/2/2026

Agenda #: 6.B.

Indian Trail Water Immersion Days

- Indian Trail Junior High (Addison)
- March 10th - 11th
- 18 programs over 2 days.
- Educated 364 students, faculty, and parents.
- Educated about water conservation, compost, litter, energy, and native plants.



Jay Stream Water Immersion Day



- Jay Stream Middle School (Carol Stream)
- April 16th
- 13 programs
- Educated 193 students and faculty.
- Educated about water conservation, compost, litter, energy and native plants.

West Chicago Earth Flag Certification

The City of West Chicago earned their Earth Flag on April 20, 2026





20th Anniversary of the Annual

Sustainable Design Challenge

April 21st, 2026

21 Teams with 55 students
Participating Schools:

- Glenbard East (Lombard)
- Hinsdale Central (Hinsdale)
- Lake Park (Roselle)
- Waubonsie Valley (Aurora)
- York (Elmhurst)



Best Stormwater Design
York (Elmhurst)



Best Overall LEED Design
Waubonsie Valley (Aurora)



Best Energy Design
Glenbard East (Lombard)



bioMerieux Earth Flag Certification

bioMerieux (Lombard) earned their Earth Flag on April 22, 2026



2026 DPC Recycling Extravaganzas

32 events scheduled in DuPage County in 2026 so far
17 down, 15 to go!



Darien Recycling Extravaganza



- April 4, 2026
- SCARCE collected:
 - Books: 73 boxes
 - Records: 7 boxes
 - School/Office Supplies: 11 boxes
 - CD's & DVD's: 1 box
 - Brita Products: 4 boxes
 - Holiday Lights: 19 boxes
 - Musical Instruments: 6 individual
 - Ink Cartridges: 1 box
 - Bread Tags: 1 box
 - Smoke Detectors: 2 boxes

Wheaton Recycling Extravaganza

- April 11, 2026
- 1,275 cars
- SCARCE collected:
 - Books: 170 boxes
 - Records: 7 boxes
 - School/Office Supplies: 19 boxes
 - Brita Products: 6 boxes
 - Keys: 1 box
 - Holiday Lights: 34 boxes
 - Musical Instruments: 9 individual
 - Ink Cartridges: 3 boxes
 - Bread Tags: 2 boxes
 - Smoke Detectors: 6 boxes
 - X-Rays: 1 box





Wheaton Recycling Extravaganza



- **Shredding:** 3 shredding trucks collected 26,380 lbs of paper (partially funded by DPC)
- **Sheriff:** 4 bins + 1 toter of syringes/EpiPens & 3 bins + 1 toter of medication
- **Working Bikes:** 86 bikes
- **Wheaton Lions:** 653 glasses & 10 hearing aids
- **Soccer Gear for Zambia:** 129 items (cleats, balls, referee gear, flags, shorts, etc.)
- **eWorks:** 4,058 pounds of textiles, 5,734 pounds of scrap metal, 15,075 pounds of electronics
- **Milton Township:** Medical Equipment- 4 wheelchairs, 3 rollers, 22 walkers, 22 walkers, 7 shower chairs, 15 sets of crutches



Glen Ellyn (COD) Recycling Extravaganza

- April 11, 2026
- 1,100 cars
- Collected for SCARCE:
 - Books: 134 boxes
 - School/Office Supplies: 54 boxes
 - Brita filters: 1 box
 - X-rays: 3 boxes
 - Musical instruments: 1
 - Holiday lights: 32 boxes
 - CDs & DVDs & Records: 2 boxes
 - Cords: 1 box
 - Pill bottles: 1 box
 - Smoke detectors: 9 boxes
 - Inkjet cartridges: 1 box
- Other organizations collected:
 - Working Bikes: 63 bikes
 - Junk Luggers: 18,620 Lbs
 - Project Cure: 21 Walkers, 2 Wheelchairs: 40 CPAP machines, 8 Commodes, 21 Crutches, and 16 canes
 - Eco-Ship: 1599 gallons
 - Re-Tex: 9022 lbs
- Glen Ellyn Food Pantry received 701Lbs of food and \$121 in donations



Hinsdale Recycling Extravaganza



- April 11, 2026
- 266 cars
- SCARCE collected:
 - Books: 58 boxes
 - Records: 1 box
 - School/Office Supplies: 19 boxes
 - Eyeglasses: 3 boxes
 - Holiday Lights: 5 boxes
 - Musical Instruments: 1 individual
 - Ink Cartridges: 1 box
 - Bread Tags: 1 box

Village of Addison Recycling Extravaganza

- April 18, 2026
- 567 cars
- SCARCE collected:
 - Books: 25 boxes
 - Records: 2 boxes
 - School/Office Supplies: 2 boxes
 - Brita Products: 1 box



Glendale Heights Recycling Extravaganza



- April 25, 2026
- 300 cars
- SCARCE collected:
 - Books: 35 boxes
 - School/Office Supplies: 4 boxes
 - Records: 7 boxes
 - Ink Cartridges: 1 box
 - Brita Products: 1 box
 - Cords: 1 box
 - Holiday Lights: 2 boxes
 - Smoke Detectors: 1 box
 - Musical Instruments: 2 individual
 - Mercury Thermometers: 7 individual

Glendale Heights Recycling Extravaganza



- Glendale Heights also collected:
- 10,000+ pounds of electronics
 - 2,275 pounds of textiles
 - 6,660 pounds of shredded paper
 - 312 pounds of household batteries
 - 210 pounds of broken holiday lights

Schaumburg Recycling Extravaganza

- April 25, 2026
- 1530 cars
- Collected for SCARCE:
 - Books: 50 boxes



Community Recycling Event 2026

Saturday, April 25
9 a.m.–1 p.m.

Wintrust Field West Lot
1999 S. Springinguth Rd.
Schaumburg, IL

For more information, visit Schaumburg.com/RecyclingEvent, call (847) 895-7100, or dial 311 in Schaumburg.

[Drive-up event.](#)

ELECTRONICS RECYCLING

LRS RECYCLING

Televisions & Monitors \$25 EACH
Tube, LCD, LED, Plasma, and Projection
[CREDIT CARD ON SITE ONLY](#)

Other NO COST
Small appliances
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Computers
Keyboards & mice
Radios
Printers
Telephones
Cell phones
Copper
Metal
+ more

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EVERLIGHTS

American Flags
ELLSWORTH HEINEKE AMERICAN LEGION
POST #1983

Fire Extinguishers

Paint thinner, gas, and other hazardous waste will not be accepted.



For more information, visit Schaumburg.com/RecyclingEvent

DOCUMENT DESTRUCTION

Allowed
Paper
Staples
Envelopes

Not Allowed
CDs
Plastic bags
Spiral notebooks
3-ring binders

TWO BOX LIMIT
DO CU-SHRED

Schaumburg residents may also attend an earlier Document Destruction Event:

Saturday, April 11 • 9 a.m.–Noon
Al Larson Prairie Center for the Arts
201 Schaumburg Ct.
(Enter Prairie Center Drive from Schaumburg Road)
[ID REQUIRED](#)

WATER/LATEX & FLAMMABLE OIL-BASED PAINT RECYCLING

	Water Latex-Based Paints	Oil-based Paints
1 quart	\$2.99	\$5.99
1 gallon can	\$5.99	\$9.99
5 gallon pail	\$19.99	\$25.99
Spray can	—	—

[CASH OR CREDIT ON SITE](#)

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Shoes
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Belts
Hats
Backpacks
Towels
+ more

Visit SimpleRecycling.com for a full list.
SIMPLE RECYCLING



Schaumburg Recycling Extravaganza

- April 25, 2026
- 1530 cars
- Collected for SCARCE:
 - Books: 50 boxes



Itasca Recycling Extravaganza

- May 2, 2026
- 450 cars
- Collected for SCARCE:
 - Books: 16 boxes
 - School/Office Supplies: 9 boxes
 - CD's/DVD's: 2 boxes
 - Brita Products: 2 boxes
 - Musical Instruments: 1 individual



Lemont Recycling Extravaganza

- May 9, 2026
- Hosted by Senator John Curran and Representative Nicole La Ha
- Approximately 400 cars
- SCARCE collected:
 - Books: 24 boxes
 - Records: 1 box
 - CD's/DVD's: 4 boxes
 - Brita Products: 1 box
 - Holiday Lights: 16 boxes
 - Medical Supplies: 1 box
 - Instruments: 1 individual
 - Ink Cartridges: 2 boxes
 - Cords: 2 boxes



Woodridge Recycling Extravaganza



- May 9, 2026
- Hosted by the Woodridge Rotary
- 463 cars
- SCARCE collected:
 - Books: 29 boxes
 - School & Office Supplies: 18 boxes
 - CD's/DVD's: 6 boxes
 - Eyeglasses: 1 box
 - Ink Cartridges: 3 boxes
 - Cords: 3 boxes

Villa Park Spring Sweep

- Saturday, May 16
- 278 cars
- SCARCE Collected:
 - Books: 13 boxes
 - Records: 1 box
 - School/Office Supplies: 4 boxes
 - CD's & DVD's 6 boxes
 - Brita Products: 1 box
 - Holiday Lights: 6 boxes
 - Ink Cartridges: 1 box
 - Bread Tags: 1 box
 - X-rays: 1 box
 - Smoke detectors: 2 individual
 - Cords: 3 boxes



Woodridge Recycling Extravaganza



- May 16, 2026
- Hosted by Christ the Servant Church
- 380 cars
- Collected for SCARCE
 - Books: 67 boxes

Boxes of Books Collected

**744 boxes of books collected so far at Recycling Extravaganzas!
That's 22,320 lbs of books!**



Upcoming 2026 DPC Recycling Extravaganzas

June 6* – West Chicago

July 25 – Darien

August 1 – Naperville

August 1 – Addison Township

August 29 – Lisle Township

August 29 – Roselle (tentative)

September 19* – Downers Grove

September 5 – West Chicago

October 3 – Milton Township

October 3 – Wood Dale

October 10 – Darien

October 17 – Glen Ellyn

October 31 – Woodridge

November 7 – Carol Stream

November 21 – Addison Township

** = Accepting meds/syringes/EpiPens*

2026 Medicine & Syringe/EpiPen Collections

West Chicago – June 6
Downers Grove – September 19




Where is Away Exhibit


- At Gary United Methodist Church (Wheaton) for the month of May!
- Part of their “Caring for Creation” projects this spring.
 - Prairie Path Cleanup
 - Environmental education presentations



Caring for creation

 **Stewarding Creation with Native Plants**
Sunday, May 3, 10:10 a.m., Anderson Room

 **Talking About Climate Change**
Sunday, May 10, 10:10 a.m., Anderson Room

garychurch.org 



Growin' Green Garden Market at SCARCE

Saturday, May 2, 9am-1pm

500+
attendees!

Featured:

- Organic Seedlings
- Native Plants
- Food Scrap Amended Compost
- Local Eco-Vendors
- Gardening Books
- Garden Tool Sharpening
- Hands-on Activities & Crafts for Kids
- Fun Jewelry, Decor, Toys, and More!



Chicago Glue and Machine

- Earned their Earth Flag from SCARCE in 2023 (pictured top)
- Became a Certified Illinois Green Business on May 6, 2026 (pictured bottom)
- First in DuPage County to do so.
- Integrated sustainability across their operations through:
 - Energy Efficiency
 - Water Conservation
 - Waste Reduction
 - Pollution Prevention
 - Transportation
 - Community Engagement



Villa Park Library Repair Fair in Partnership with SCARCE

- May 9th from 11am-3pm
- Featured:
 - Crystal/china/porcelain repair
 - Stained glasswork repair
 - Clothing repair
 - Small appliance repair
 - Clock repair



Electronics Repair



Sewing Repair

Compost Workshop at SCARCE

Tuesday, May 12, 6:30pm-8pm

- Educational composting workshop.
- Offered assistance to homeowners that would like to set up indoor composting or backyard composting.
- Discussed the benefits of compost and various compost bin options.

Next composting workshop: June 18 at the Villa Park Library from 7pm-8:30pm



SCARCE Blowing Up on TikTok

Views: 26.3K

Likes: 1,407

Comments: 38

Saves: 646



Musical Instruments



Alex, a music teacher for CUSD 200 (Wheaton/Warrenville) acquired 9 refurbished instruments for her students on May 27, 2026.

- Alto Saxophone (2)
- Trombone (2)
- Clarinet (2)
- Cornet
- French Horn
- Baritone Horn

Smoke Detectors

- 3 boxes shipped to Curie Services (approximately 115 per box)
 - 55.3 lbs
 - 56 lbs
 - 55.1 lbs
- 166.4 lbs total!
- Funded by DuPage County Board Member Initiative



Upcoming Events

Hendrickson (Woodridge) will be receiving their Earth Flag on Friday, June 5th, 2026 at 10:15am!



Solar Energy Teacher Training Workshop at SCARCE coming in June!

