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HADCO Group's Recycling Division Monthly E-Newsletter



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Recycling Beyond International Coastal Clean Up Day

International Coastal Clean-Up Day was celebrated on September 17, 2022. This day is celebrated as a social action initiative, and through community organized beach clean-ups, trash, pollution and solid waste are collected and removed from beaches and coastlines. It serves to bring awareness to the importance of keeping coastline areas free of pollution that would eventually make its way to the ocean and harm marine life.

With its massive reach spanning over 150 countries, International Coastal Clean- Up Day is considered one of the world's biggest and most successful clean-up and recycling initiatives. Created 35 years ago by US-based NGO, [Ocean Conservancy](#), it has become a global movement, removing over 384 million pounds of beachside trash and debris collected over the lifetime of the project, through its collaboration with worldwide organizations and partners.

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Managing Director,
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Trinidad and Tobago is a staunch supporter of this initiative. From Manzanilla to Maracas, and all the beaches in-between, thousands of citizens, corporations, and departments within the public sector play their part every year to ensure that our shorelines are free from harmful trash that endanger our marine life.

According to a [joint press release](#) by The Ministry of Planning and Development's Environmental Policy and Planning Division (EPPD), in partnership with The Institute of Marine Affairs (IMA), and The Environmental Management Authority (EMA), a total of 2,720.9 pounds of garbage was collected along the foreshore of the Audrey Jeffers Highway in Port-of-Spain alone. Of the various categories of waste collected, plastic was the biggest offender, followed by glass, tyres and other miscellaneous items.



Father and son pick up trash near foreshore of Audrey Jeffers Highway, Port-of-Spain
Image Credit: [EPPD](#)



Baby leatherback turtle on Grande Riviere Beach.
Plastic is a huge threat to the safety of turtles as they can get trapped in the debris or mistake it for food
Image Credit: [Mt Plasir Estate Hotel](#)

Whilst this is a huge achievement for Trinidad and Tobago that should be celebrated, we at HADCO Group's Recycling Division would like to take this opportunity to remind readers that there are year-round recycling solutions that can be employed beyond International Coastal Clean-Up Day.

Most of the trash collected during the beach clean-up is at-home waste items that could have otherwise been recycled. Our hope is that by making businesses and citizens more aware of our easily accessible recycling alternatives, less waste will end up on our coasts and in our oceans.

See our recycling guide below, which is designed to help businesses, households, and individuals become more aware of what can be recycled all year round.

What We Collect at HADCO Group's Recycling Division



Plastics (PET, HDPE) - For e.g. Plastic water and soda bottles, shampoo bottles, liquid soap and bleach bottles, plastic food and pint containers, etc. Please ensure that each plastic bottle is emptied, rinsed, dried, and placed in a separate bag.



Glass - For e.g. Wine, beer bottles, food, sauce and jam jars, etc. Please ensure each glass bottle is emptied, rinsed, dried, and placed in a separate bag.



Tetra Pak - For e.g. Most juice boxes, milk cartons, etc. Look for the Tetra Pak symbol to be sure. Please ensure that each Tetra Pak carton is emptied, rinsed, dried, and placed in a separate bag.



Aluminium Cans / Metal Tins - For e.g. Soda cans, beer cans, and all canned food tins, etc. Please ensure that each aluminium can and metal tin is emptied, rinsed, dried, and placed in a separate bag.



Paper and Cardboard - For e.g. Most wastepaper, newsprint, books, magazines and cardboard, snack boxes, soap boxes, wax paper, foil boxes and tissue roll cores, etc. Please ensure that all paper and cardboard material are flattened and collated in separate bags or boxes.



Vegetable Cooking Oil - For e.g. Vegetable based oils such as olive oil, palm oil, soybean oil, corn oil, and sunflower oil. Please ensure that your waste vegetable oil (WVO) is in a sealed container.



Lead Acid Batteries - For e.g. Light to medium cars, trucks, lawnmowers, marine vehicle batteries, etc. Please ensure that lead acid batteries are dry before placing in a bag or box.

See next page for more information about our recycling drop off points.

Get Involved!

Businesses, households, and individuals interested in recycling beyond International Coastal Clean-up Day can take any of their sorted recyclable material mentioned above to any of the following locations:

HADCO Limited - Head Office - JRJ Warehousing Compound, Bhagoutie Trace, San Juan.

New Age Recycling Facility - 17A Yorke Avenue, O'Meara Industrial Estate, Arima.

Ecoimpact Facility - Lot 17 DEFG, e Teck Diamond Vale Business Park, Diego Martin.

Caribbean Battery Recycling Facility - 2 El Socorro Ext, LP 52 Patraj Trace, San Juan.

For sorted plastics, glass, Tetra Pak, aluminium cans, wastepaper, and cardboard inquiries, please contact **New Age Recycling** at (868) 290-2970 / 2975 or visit www.newagerecyclingtt.com.

For waste vegetable oil and used lead-acid batteries inquiries, please contact **Ecoimpact Company Limited** at (868) 633-3609 or visit www.ecoimpacttt.com.



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