

# CHIPPEWA COUNTY

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MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF  
ENVIRONMENT, GREAT LAKES, AND ENERGY

# OVERVIEW

Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) has shifted their focus from disposal as the primary effort towards a circular economy where all waste materials find their highest and best use. Michigan took its first steps towards materials management a few years ago by securing funding to support an economy that reuses and recycles resources. An important component of that funding is for Solid Waste Management Planning – also referred to as Materials Management Planning. Materials management plans form the foundation of the changes the state is preparing to make.

To support this new era of materials management and future planning activities, EGLE initiated a massive data collection project to document and inventory the current state of materials management systems in all municipalities within Michigan's 83 counties. The primary objective of the Michigan Materials Management Infrastructure and Program project, also known as Mega Data, is to provide the baseline of data necessary for counties to develop future materials management plans and provide a roadmap for materials management moving forward. The data collected through the project would also be applied to the Benchmark Recycling Standard analysis developed by EGLE to help understand access to recycling services in the state, where gaps exist, and where EGLE may focus their support to improve access and infrastructure in the state.

EGLE contracted with Resource Recycling Systems (RRS) to support this large undertaking to gather, compile and analyze information from across the state.

## PURPOSE OF THE COUNTY PROFILE

The County Profile was developed for two purposes. First, the profiles provided the opportunity to summarize all the information collected for all 83 counties and their municipalities to date as a project milestone. Second, despite the extensive research and information collection, RRS acknowledges that the information presented here may be incomplete. The County Profiles offered the opportunity for each county to review, edit and add to their county's profile information before finalizing as a deliverable for the Mega Data project. Later in the process, EGLE added the review of the County Profile as a requirement of the Materials Management County Engagement Grants (MMCE).

## COUNTY PROFILE DEVELOPMENT

The County Profiles contain information that reflects research and outreach to understand programs and services available at the county and municipal levels. The information summarized here corresponds to information required in the state's Solid Waste Management Plan format and will assist counties and designated planning agencies with plan development. This profile focuses on residential programs and services. The information for the Profiles was collected from the following sources:

- Approved Solid Waste Management Plans
- EGLE's Waste Data System (WDS)
- EGLE's Recycle Search tool
- EGLE's Recycling Specialist staff
- Interviews with County program coordinators and designated planning agents
- County Run Measurement Program Survey via ReTRAC
- Municipal Measurement Program Survey via ReTRAC
- Information obtained through Freedom of Information Act requests
- Direct outreach through phone calls, emails, and letters to all target audiences and related groups or organizations with access to target audiences
- Web research
- Participation by Counties in the MMCE Grant Program

## DISCLAIMER

This information presented here was gathered and compiled over several years by RRS on behalf of EGLE for the Mega Data project. The profile was originally developed as a tool to summarize information collected and engage counties in review of the information

for finalization. The profile is not intended for use as a reference guide for residents or purposes other than to provide counties with information to support future materials management planning. Information, programs, and services can change frequently and therefore information presented here may be out of date. If information has been omitted or requires update, please contact RRS at [alynott@recycle.com](mailto:alynott@recycle.com).

# ACCESS AND COLLECTION

## COUNTY PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Chippewa County Recycling Program is operated by Northern Transitions, Inc. The program also offers household hazardous waste collection.

## MUNICIPAL PROGRAM AND SERVICES OVERVIEW

Programs and services offered or provided by municipalities for their residents are summarized by material type and then in two tables. One table features curbside services, and the other table features drop-off services.

## TRASH

In Chippewa County, several communities provide residents with access to curbside trash collection through a contracted hauler. The remaining residents are likely served by subscription haulers through an open market. Whitefish and Sugar Island Township also provide their residents to residential trash drop-off services through their local transfer stations.

## RECYCLING

The same communities that provide residents with access to curbside trash services through contracted haulers also provide contracted services for curbside recycling. County residents can also drop-off recycling at the county program's recycling trailer, which accepts paper, glass, mixed plastics, metal cans and scrap.

## YARD WASTE

Common yard waste materials, such as brush and leaves, are accepted at the Kinross Township and Sault Ste. Marie City compost sites. No information was obtained about curbside yard waste programs in the county.

## HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

Chippewa County residents can utilize hazardous waste collection events to drop-off materials such as motor oil, paint, household cleaners, electronics, and fluorescent bulbs.

## OTHER

No information obtained about Other programs.

## LIST OF ACTIVE HAULERS

- GFL Environmental

## CURBSIDE SERVICES BY COMMUNITY

MUNICIPALITY NAME	TRASH COLLECTOR	RECYCLING COLLECTOR	YARD WASTE COLLECTOR	OTHER CURBSIDE SERVICES
Bay Mills township				
Bruce township				
Chippewa township				
Dafter township				
De Tour Village				
Drummond township	Subscription			
Hulbert township				
Kinross charter township	GFL Environmental	GFL Environmental		
Pickford township				
Raber township				
Detour township				
Rudyard township	Subscription			
Sault Ste. Marie city	GFL Environmental	GFL Environmental		
Soo township	Subscription			
Sugar Island township				
Superior township				
Trout Lake township				
Whitefish township				

## DROP-OFF SERVICES BY COMMUNITY

MUNICIPALITY NAME	TRASH DROP-OFF SERVICES (PERMANENT)	RECYCLING DROP-OFF SERVICES (PERMANENT)	YARD WASTE OR OTHER ORGANICS DROP-OFF (PERMANENT)	OTHER PERMANENT DROP-OFF SERVICES	TEMPORARY DROP-OFF SERVICES

Bay Mills township		Chippewa County Recycling Trailer			Chippewa County Hazardous Waste Events
Bruce township		Chippewa County Recycling Trailer			Chippewa County Hazardous Waste Events
Chippewa township		Chippewa County Recycling Trailer			Chippewa County Hazardous Waste Events
Dafter township		Chippewa County Recycling Trailer			Chippewa County Hazardous Waste Events
De Tour Village village		Village of DeTour and DeTour Township Recycling Trailer			Chippewa County Hazardous Waste Events
Drummond township		Chippewa County Recycling Trailer			Chippewa County Hazardous Waste Events
Hulbert township		Chippewa County Recycling Trailer			Chippewa County Hazardous Waste Events
Kinross charter township		Chippewa County Recycling Trailer	Kinross Township Compost Pile		Chippewa County Hazardous Waste Events
Pickford township		Chippewa County Recycling Trailer			Chippewa County Hazardous Waste Events
Raber township		Chippewa County Recycling Trailer			Chippewa County Hazardous Waste Events
Detour township		Village of DeTour and DeTour Township Recycling Trailer			Chippewa County Hazardous Waste Events
Rudyard township		Chippewa County Recycling Trailer			Chippewa County Hazardous Waste Events

Sault Ste. Marie city		Chippewa County Recycling Trailer	Sault Ste. Marie Compost Site		Chippewa County Hazardous Waste Events
Soo township		Chippewa County Recycling Trailer			Chippewa County Hazardous Waste Events
Sugar Island township	Sugar Island Township Transfer Stations	Chippewa County Recycling Trailer			Chippewa County Hazardous Waste Events
Superior township		Chippewa County Recycling Trailer			Chippewa County Hazardous Waste Events
Trout Lake township		Chippewa County Recycling Trailer			Chippewa County Hazardous Waste Events
Whitefish township	Whitefish Township Transfer Station	Chippewa County Recycling Trailer			Chippewa County Hazardous Waste Events

# FACILITIES

## MATERIALS MANAGEMENT FACILITIES IN COUNTY

FACILITY SUMMARY TABLE

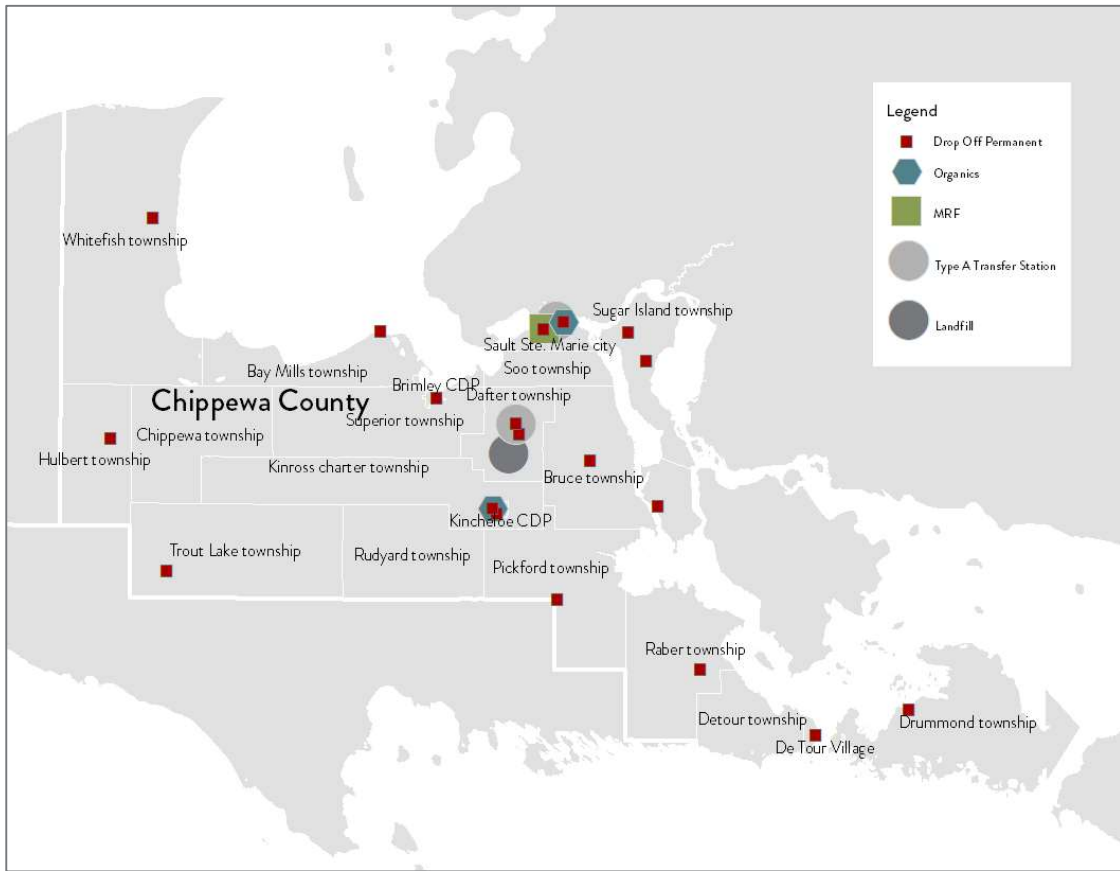
FACILITY TYPE	FACILITY NAME	FACILITY ADDRESS	CITY	PERMANENT OR TEMPORARY
<b>Compost (Yard Waste)</b>	City of Sault Ste. Marie DPW Compost Site Sault Ste.	325 Court St.	Sault Sainte Marie	
<b>Compost (Yard Waste)</b>	Kinross Charter Township Compost Site	16350 Darcy Rd	Kincheloe	
<b>Drop-off (T, NT)</b>	Bay Mills Township Hall Drop site	14722 West Lakeshore Drive	Brimley	Permanent Drop-off
<b>Drop-off (T, NT, WDC)</b>	Bruce Township Hall Drop site	3156 E. 12 Mile Road	Dafter	Permanent Drop-off
<b>Drop-off (T, NT)</b>	Chippewa County Recycling Center	1401 W Easterday Avenue	Sault Ste. Marie	Permanent Drop-off
<b>Drop-off (T, NT)</b>	Chippewa Township Recycling Drop Off			Permanent Drop-off
<b>Drop-off (O)</b>	City of Sault Ste. Marie DPW Compost Site Sault Ste.	325 COURT ST	Sault Ste. Marie	Permanent Drop-off
<b>Drop-off (T, NT)</b>	Dafter Fire Hall Drop site	2926 W. 10 Mile Rd.	Dafter	Permanent Drop-off
<b>Drop-off (T, NT)</b>	DeTour Township Hall Drop site	414 St. Mary's St.	Detour Village	Permanent Drop-off
<b>Drop-off (T, NT)</b>	Drummon Island Township Hall Drop site	29935 West Pine Street	Drummond Island	Permanent Drop-off
<b>Drop-off (T)</b>	GFL Brimley Hauling and Transfer Station	3239 W M-28	Brimley	Permanent Drop-off
<b>Drop-off (T, NT)</b>	Hulburt Township Fire Department Drop Site	37685 W. 4th	Hulbert	Permanent Drop-off
<b>Drop-off (O)</b>	Kinross Charter Township Compost Site	16350 Darcy Rd	Kincheloe	Permanent Drop-off



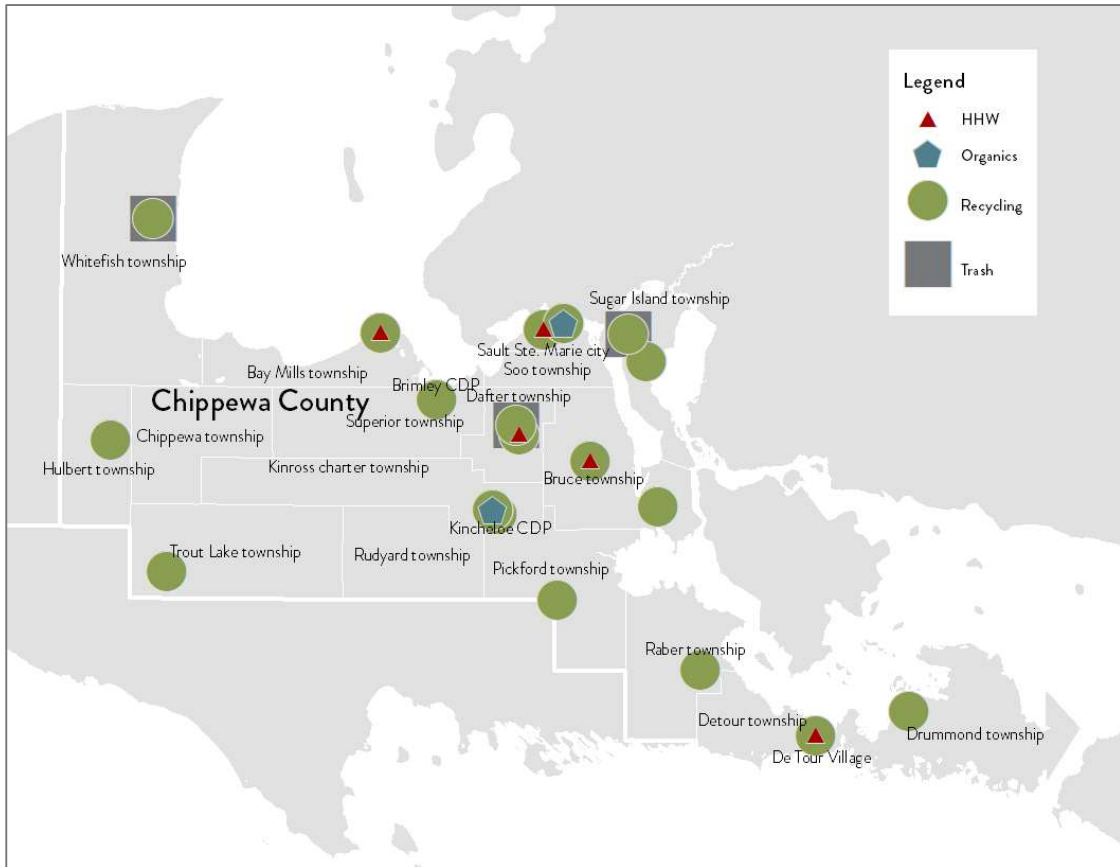
<b>Drop-off (T)</b>	Kinross Charter Township Recycling Trailer	4884 W. Curtis St.	Kinross Charter Twp	Permanent Drop-off
<b>Drop-off (T, NT)</b>	Kinross City Water and Maintenance Drop site	16350 South Darcy Rd.	Kinross	Permanent Drop-off
<b>Drop-off (T, NT)</b>	Neebish Island Ferry Dock Drop site		Sault Ste. Marie	Permanent Drop-off
<b>Drop-off (T, NT)</b>	Pickford Township Hall Drop site	130 W. Main St.	Pickford	Permanent Drop-off
<b>Drop-off (T, NT)</b>	Raber Township Hall Drop site	16315 E. M-48	Goetzville	Permanent Drop-off
<b>Drop-off (T, NT)</b>	Sugar Island Community Center Drop site	6401 East 1/2 Mile Road	Sugar Island	Permanent Drop-off
<b>Drop-off (B)</b>	Sugar Island Township North End Transfer Station		Sugar Island Township	Permanent Drop-off
<b>Drop-off (T, NT)</b>	Superior Township Hall Drop site	7049 S. M-221	Brimley	Permanent Drop-off
<b>Drop-off (T, NT)</b>	Trout Lake Township Hall Drop site	32686 W. H-40	Trout Lake	Permanent Drop-off
<b>Drop-off (T, B, NT)</b>	Whitefish Township Drop site	8047 N Genes Rd	Paradise	Permanent Drop-off
<b>Transfer Station – Type A</b>	GFL Brimley Hauling and Transfer Station	3239 W M-28	Brimley	
<b>Transfer Station – Type A</b>	Sault Ste. Marie Transfer Station	711 W. Spruce St	Sault Ste. Marie	
<b>MRF</b>	Chippewa County Recycling Center	1423 W Easterday Ave	Sault Ste. Marie	
<b>Landfill</b>	Dafter Sanitary Landfill	3962 W 12 Mile Rd	Dafter	

Drop-off Facility Types: B = Transfer Station Type B; C&D = Construction & Demolition; NT = Source-Separated Recycling Drop-off Non-Traditional; T = Source-Separated Recycling Traditional; O = Organics; WDC = Waste Diversion Center

## FACILITY SUMMARY MAP



## FACILITY BY MATERIAL TYPE



# POLICY

## MUNICIPAL ORDINANCES

Municipality	Policy type	Requirement
<b>Kinross charter township</b>	Ordinance	Can for Waste; Recycling Container Location

## MUNICIPAL FUNDING MECHANISMS

Municipality	Waste Collection	Recycling Collection	Organics Collection	Bulky Item Collection
<b>Bay Mills township</b>		Legislatively Authorized Millages		

## COUNTY ORDINANCES

No county ordinances obtained.

## COUNTY FUNDING MECHANISMS

County	Type	Additional Information
<b>Chippewa County</b>	Voter Approved Millage	

# DATA

## REPORTED DATA

No reported data.

## RESIDENTIAL WASTE PROJECTIONS

Municipality	Population	Total Waste Generation (Tons) <sup>1</sup>	Total Recyclable Diversion (Tons)	Total Organics Diversion (Tons)	Total Requiring Disposal (Tons)
Bay Mills township	1,797	814	58	69	688
Brimley CDP	442	186	0	17	169
Bruce township	2,045	927	66	78	782
Chippewa township	283	128	9	11	108
Dafter township	1,679	761	54	64	642
De Tour Village village	223	101	7	9	85
Detour township	454	206	15	17	174
Drummond township	1,012	481	55	39	387
Hulbert township	183	83	6	7	70
Kincheloe CDP	3,818	1,606	0	146	1,461
Kinross charter township	3,570	1,696	194	136	1,366
Pickford township	1,485	673	48	57	568
Raber township	491	223	16	19	188
Rudyard township	1,130	512	37	43	432
Sault Ste. Marie city	13,526	6,426	735	516	5,176
Soo township	3,080	1,396	100	117	1,179
Sugar Island township	625	283	20	24	239
Superior township	866	392	28	33	331
Trout Lake township	180	82	6	7	69
Whitefish township	529	240	17	20	202
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>37,418</b>	<b>17,217</b>	<b>1,473</b>	<b>1,426</b>	<b>14,318</b>

## COMMERCIAL WASTE PROJECTIONS

County	Approximate Number of Employees	Total Waste Generation (Tons)	Total Diversion (Tons)	Total Requiring Disposal (Tons)
Chippewa	8,752	18,822	1,489	17,333

## TOTAL WASTE GENERATED PROJECTIONS

County	Total Waste Generation (Tons) <sup>1</sup>	Total Diversion (Tons)	Total Requiring Disposal (Tons)
Chippewa	36,039	4,389	31,650

<sup>1</sup> Due to rounding, total waste generation tonnages may not equal the sum of the total diversion and disposal tonnages.