



# WASTE REDUCTION WEEK

## 2024 Community Events Guide

### Cape Breton: Glace Bay

**Small Repair Sewing 101 • October 22 • 2:00 - 5:00 pm**

**LOCATION:** Glace Bay Library (143 Commercial Street, Glace Bay)

*Learn how to do small sewing jobs such as repairing buttons and rips, hemming, and other basics. All supplies and light refreshments will be provided.*

**FOR MORE INFO:** [Glace Bay Library](#) @ 902-849-8657

### Cape Breton: Port Hood

**Christmas Swap • October 23 • 6:00 - 8:00 pm**

**LOCATION:** Bayview Education Centre (133 Company Rd, Port Hood)

*The Municipality of Inverness is partnering with Bayview's Green Wave Gang to host a Christmas Swap event. We will be swapping all things Christmas (clothing, decorations, lights, CDs/DVDs, dishware, etc.). Donations will be accepted on October 21 and 22 at the municipal office, 375 Main Street, Port Hood. Come swap out your Christmas items for something "new to you" and learn how to make upcycled Christmas decorations. Baked items will also be on sale during the swap.*

**FOR MORE INFO:** [Municipality of Inverness](#) & [Bayview Education Centre](#)

### Antigonish

**Clothing Swap • October 26 • 10:00 am - 2:00 pm**

**LOCATION:** Antigonish Town & County Library (283 Main St., Antigonish)

*Drop off gently used or new clothing on Friday, October 25th from 1:00 - 7:00 pm and Saturday October 26th from 8:00 - 10:00 am. Clothing swap will happen Saturday October 26th from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm. Local seamstress, Carin Rumsey, will be demonstrating tips on repairing and transforming clothing! A perfect way to swap out old Halloween costumes or formal attire!*

**FOR MORE INFO:** [Eastern Region Solid Waste Management](#)

### Pictou County: New Glasgow

**Sewing Workshop • October 9 • 6:00 - 8:00 pm**

**LOCATION:** Bergengren Room, Pictou County Wellness Centre (2756 Westville Road, New Glasgow)

*Learn basic sewing repair tips and tricks from local seamstress, Gladys Knowles. Light refreshments and snacks will be served.*

**FOR MORE INFO:** [Pictou County Solid Waste](#) @ 902-396-1495

### Colchester: Truro

**Care & Repair Market • October 19 • 10:00 am - 1:00 pm**

**LOCATION:** Truro Library (754 Prince St., Truro)

*Several repair people will be onsite including jewelry, tool sharpening, and clothing repair.*

**FOR MORE INFO:** [Truro Living Earth Council](#) & [Colchester Solid Waste](#)

### Colchester: Truro

**Costume Swap • October 26 • 11:00 am - 4:00 pm**

**LOCATION:** Truro Library (754 Prince St., Truro)

*Drop off your gently used Halloween Costumes October 1 - 24 (Monday to Saturday) any time between 11:00 am - 4:00 pm.*

**FOR MORE INFO:** [Colchester Solid Waste](#)

### Colchester: Tatamagouche

**Costume Swap • October 22 • 2:00 - 7:30 pm**

**LOCATION:** Tatamagouche Library (170 Main St., Tatamagouche)

*Drop off your gently used Halloween Costumes October 1 - 21 (Tuesday to Sunday) between 11:00 am - 2:00 pm.*

**FOR MORE INFO:** [Colchester Solid Waste](#)

### Colchester: Stewiacke

**Costume Swap • October 24 • 4:00 - 6:30 pm**

**LOCATION:** Stewiacke Town Hall (295 George St., Stewiacke)

*Drop off your gently used Halloween Costumes October 1 - 23 (Weekdays ONLY) any time between 10:00 am - 3:00 pm.*

**FOR MORE INFO:** [Colchester Solid Waste](#)

### Colchester: Bible Hill

**Costume Swap • October 23 • 3:00 - 7:00 pm**

**LOCATION:** H. Douglas Boyce Village Hall (69 Pictou Rd., Bible Hill)

Drop off your gently used costumes October 1 - 22 (Weekdays ONLY) anytime between 9:00 am - 11:00 am & 2:00 pm - 4:30 pm.

**FOR MORE INFO:** [Colchester Solid Waste](#)

### East Hants

**East Hants Winter Warmer Event • October**

**LOCATION:** Various locations

East Hants Winter Warmer Event is BACK! During the month of October, East Hants and C.O.A.T.S (Community Offering Assistance Together), will promote the drop-off of various winter gear for all ages at specific communication locations. The group will then host their annual BIG GIVE event, where people can come and get what they need for the season. Any leftovers will be set up at various libraries and community resource locations for seasonal access.

**FOR MORE INFO:** [Municipality of East Hants](#)

### East Hants: Elmsdale

**East Hants Costume Fix n' Swap • October 19 • Noon - 3:00 pm**

**LOCATION:** 15 Commerce Court, Elmsdale

Pre-event donation drop-offs at Elmsdale & Mount Uniacke Libraries, East Hants Family Resource Centre. Two fixers will be onsite and one maker to support creating options from donations.

**FOR MORE INFO:** [Municipality of East Hants](#)

### East Hants: Elmsdale

**Small Business & Waste Reduction Week Workshops • October 24 • 9:30 - 11:00 am**

**LOCATION:** East Hants Sportsplex (1076 Highway 2, Lantz)

Small businesses are invited to attend this workshop to learn more about best practices on waste management, including understanding the services available, such as dedicated waste audits and specific meetings at their locations related to their operations/needs.

**FOR MORE INFO:** [Municipality of East Hants](#)

### East Hants: Mount Uniacke

**Small Business & Waste Reduction Week Workshops • October 23 • 10:30 am - Noon**

**LOCATION:** Mount Uniacke Library (555 Highway 1, Mount Uniacke)

*Small businesses are invited to attend this workshop to learn more about best practices on waste management, including understanding the services available, such as dedicated waste audits and specific meetings at their locations related to their operations/needs.*

**FOR MORE INFO:** [Municipality of East Hants](#)

### Cumberland County: Amherst

**Costume Swap • October 15 • 6:00 - 8:00 pm**

**LOCATION:** West Highland Elementary School (18 Maltby Ct, Amherst)

*Drop off your gently used costumes and get some "new to you".*

**FOR MORE INFO:** [Town of Amherst](#)

### Cumberland County: Amherst

**Let's Talk Trash Sessions • October 17 • 6:00 - 7:00 pm**

**LOCATION:** Four Father's Memorial Library (21 Acadia St, Amherst)

*Focuses on waste reduction and solid waste management.*

**FOR MORE INFO:** [Town of Amherst](#) & [Cumberland Public Libraries](#)

### Cumberland County: Pugwash

**Let's Talk Trash Sessions • October 23 • 6:00 - 7:00 pm**

**LOCATION:** Pugwash Library (10182 Durham St, Pugwash)

*Focuses on waste reduction and solid waste management.*

**FOR MORE INFO:** [Town of Amherst](#) & [Cumberland Public Libraries](#)

### Halifax

**Ocean Action Zone Activities • October 27 • 9:00 am - 1:00 pm**

**LOCATION:** Discovery Centre (1215 Lower Water St, Halifax)

*Drop into the Ocean Action Zone at the Discovery Centre anytime between 9:00 am and 1:00 pm to chat with Solid Waste Educators about litter, marine debris, and reducing our waste. Then do a fun craft transforming marine rope into a wearable item to take home. This is a drop-in style event hosted by Halifax Solid Waste Resources, attendees must purchase tickets to the Discovery Centre.*

**FOR MORE INFO:** [Halifax Solid Waste](#) & [Discovery Centre](#)

### Halifax

#### What Goes Where and Repair Instead of Replace Event • October 22 • 11:00 am - 2:00 pm

**LOCATION:** The Gerald Hardy Memorial Society (22657 HWY #7, Sheet Harbour)  
*Starting at 11:00 am, Solid Waste Educators will be giving a 60-minute presentation all about What Goes Where: how to sort garbage, recycling, and compost items for collection, along with tips and tricks to keep our economy circular and items out of the waste stream. Cascades Thrift Staff will be on-site to inform residents what they will gladly take off your hands with all donations helping to support their charity and participant activities. From noon until 2:00 pm, pop by the Repair Instead of Replace Booth happening in the same location as the presentation. Bring textiles that need small repairs and educators will teach you to make the repair yourself.*

**FOR MORE INFO:** [Halifax Solid Waste](#), the [Gerald Hardy Memorial Society](#) and [Cascades Thrift Shop](#)

### Halifax

#### Repair Instead of Replace Event • October 23 • 10:00 am - 1:00 pm

**LOCATION:** Pinkie's Thrift/Prescott Group (3486 Prescott Street, Halifax)  
*Join Halifax Solid Waste Resources and Prescott Group at Pinkie's Thrift to celebrate Waste Reduction Week. Learn how to do a simple sewing repair yourself and bring your textiles that have a small hole or a button missing to have it repaired on-site. Prescott Group members will also be there to talk about what they can accept at their thrift store. Remember to donate your gently used textiles at local thrift stores like Pinkie's Thrift.*

**FOR MORE INFO:** [Halifax Solid Waste & Pinkie's Thrift/The Prescott Group](#)

### Annapolis Valley: Middleton

#### Textile Tune-up Workshop • October 8 • 6:00 - 7:45 pm

**LOCATION:** Rosa M. Harvey, Middleton & Area Library (45 Gates Ave, Middleton)  
*Join our Textile Tune-up Workshop to learn essential skills for mending and maintaining your favourite fabrics. In this hands-on session, you'll master basic hand-sewing techniques, repair common issues like holes and loose seams, and explore creative mending methods. Perfect for beginners, this workshop will help you extend the life of your clothing and textiles while adding a personal touch to your repairs. Bring your items to mend, and leave with the confidence to tackle future repairs on your own!*

**FOR MORE INFO:** [Valley Waste-Resource Management](#) @ 1-877-927-8300

### Annapolis Valley: Kentville

#### Textile Tune-up Workshop • October 10 • 6:00 - 7:45 pm

**LOCATION:** Kentville Library (440 Main Street, Kentville)

Join our Textile Tune-up Workshop to learn essential skills for mending and maintaining your favourite fabrics. In this hands-on session, you'll master basic hand-sewing techniques, repair common issues like holes and loose seams, and explore creative mending methods. Perfect for beginners, this workshop will help you extend the life of your clothing and textiles while adding a personal touch to your repairs. Bring your items to mend, and leave with the confidence to tackle future repairs on your own!

**FOR MORE INFO:** [Valley Waste-Resource Management](#) @ 1-877-927-8300

### South Shore/West Hants: Mahone Bay

#### Up! Skilling Event • October 5 • 8:30 am - 4:00 pm

**LOCATION:** Mahone Bay Centre (45 School St, Mahone Bay)

This event will help you get back to the basics. Learn how to save money, be more resilient and sustainable, and build relationships with your neighbours. Learn from "Skillers" who will teach you about things like sewing, fermentation, living off grid, hot water bath canning, waste reduction and so much more.

**FOR MORE INFO:** [Region 6 Solid Waste](#)

### South Shore/West Hants: Mahone Bay

#### Repair Café • October 24 • 1:30 - 4:00 pm

**LOCATION:** Mahone Bay Centre (45 School St, Mahone Bay)

Have a small repair you've been meaning to get fixed or just need some mending done to an old shirt or sweater, come to the repair café, enjoy some light refreshments. Don't need anything repaired but just want to learn? All are welcome!

**FOR MORE INFO:** [Region 6 Solid Waste](#)

### South Shore/West Hants: Shelburne

#### Costume Swap Event • October 9 • 9:00 am - 7:00 pm

**LOCATION:** Town of Shelburne Library (17 Glasgow Street, Shelburne)

Visit the library to take, swap or donate a Halloween costume for all to enjoy.

**FOR MORE INFO:** [Region 6 Solid Waste](#)



### South Shore/West Hants: Liverpool

**Reduce Your Environmental Impact Event • October 23 • 1:30 - 3:30 pm**

**LOCATION:** Thomas Raddall Library (145 Old Bridge St, Liverpool)

*Celebrate Waste Reduction Week with some fun trivia games and learn how to reduce your waste and impact to the environment. Crafts are available for youth to learn how to turn trash into a treasure.*

**FOR MORE INFO:** [Region 6 Solid Waste](#)

### Digby/Yarmouth: Digby

**Halloween Costume Swap • October 22 • 2:00 - 6:00 pm**

**LOCATION:** Isaiah W. Wilson Memorial Library (84 Warwick St, Digby)

**FOR MORE INFO:** [Waste Check](#) @ 902-245-2163

### Digby/Yarmouth: Yarmouth

**Halloween Costume Swap • October 24 • 2:00 - 6:00 pm**

**LOCATION:** Izaak Walton Killam Memorial Library (405 Main St, Yarmouth)

**FOR MORE INFO:** [Waste Check](#) @ 902-742-5040

### Digby/Yarmouth: Clare

**Textile Repair Event • October 25 • 10:00 am - Noon**

**LOCATION:** 1711 Highway 1, Church Point, NS

*Community members are invited to come and bring items to be repaired by the members of Inclusion Clare, see demonstrations and learn. Members of the Inclusion Clare Sewing Group will be on hand to help residents with repairs such as: Repairing/replacing missing buttons, fixing seams, fixing zippers, and hemming pants.*

**FOR MORE INFO:** [Waste Check](#) @ 902-742-5040 & [Inclusion Clare](#)