

COMMUNICATION UPDATE

TO:	Mayor and Members City Council
DATE:	July 4, 2025
SUBJECT:	Textile Diversion Event (WM2504) (City Wide)
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	City Wide
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This Communication Update is to provide the Mayor and Members of Council with an update on Hamilton's Textile Diversion Event happening on Saturday, July 12, 2025, at the Kenora Community Recycling Centre. The information below includes a brief background of textile waste in Hamilton, how other jurisdictions have dealt with this waste, and further details of the upcoming event.

Background

Composition studies on Hamilton's garbage indicate that 2 to 4% of the garbage stream is made up of textile waste including clothing, curtains, linens, shoes and accessories such as purses. This could equate to approximately 2,500 to 5,000 tonnes of textile waste being managed in the City's garbage stream. Because of the impact textile waste can have on the garbage stream, other jurisdictions in Ontario, such as Markham and Toronto, have established strategies and policies to reduce the amount of textile waste going to landfill from their municipalities.

Staff are holding this event to divert textile waste from landfill and test the effectiveness of future textile waste diversion events.

Event Details

The City of Hamilton will be partnering with the Salvation Army for this event; however, Waste Management staff will be on site to direct residents to where textiles will be collected. The event will run from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. on Saturday, July 12, 2025, at the

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Kenora Community Recycling Centre located at 460 Kenora Avenue East. For more information on the event, please visit www.Hamilton.ca/crc. Social media graphics have been included in Appendix "A." Please feel free to share on your social media pages.

Next Steps

Waste Management staff will report back to the Waste Management Sub-Committee on the results of this event and will use the results to inform future textile diversion events and programs.

For further information, please contact Ryan Kent, Manager of Waste Policy and Planning, at extension 7686.

APPENDICES AND SCHEDULES ATTACHED

Appendix A: Social Media Graphics



Don't toss it - donate it!

CLOTHING & TEXTILE DONATION EVENT

SATURDAY, JULY 12

8 am - 12 pm

Kenora Community Recycling Centre 460 Kenora Avenue, Hamilton



Visit hamilton.ca/crc for more information



