# **Monthly Report**

### Solid Waste Education & Enforcement

## **April 2023**

#### **Divert NS Scholarship**

Divert NS is once again offering up to \$20,000 in scholarships to NS Grade 12 students. There are 7, \$2500 regional scholarships and 1-\$2500 French scholarship. The deadline for applications is April 30, 2023. More information can be found at www.divert.ns.ca/scholarship

#### **Newspaper Stewardship Advertising**

As part of the stewardship agreement, we can place up to 4-1/2 ads per year in the Cumberland Wire, free of charge. Two more ads were placed in the Cumberland Saltwire with a focus on Green Cart Tips and our sorting guide.

#### **Residential Visits**

We are receiving a larger than expected number of rejections from Miller Waste for residents not sorting dual stream. Staff will continue to work on messaging to the public with a focus on Dual Stream Recycling.

#### **Education & Enforcement Reporting**

The 2023 education & enforcement contracts with Divert NS are now complete, and staff will be preparing the final reports for Divert NS.

#### Collection Schedules

The 2023/2024 collection schedules were mailed out to residents through Canada Post.

#### Canadian Nationals UpDog Challenge

The Dr. Carson & Marion Murray Community Centre will be hosting this 4-day event in July. Work continues with staff from the Community Centre to ensure that the event will be set up for proper waste separation. Compostable pet waste bags have been ordered for the event which will be given out to all attending.

#### **Litter Project- Amherst Stadium**

The *Put Waste In Its Place Campaign* seems to have had a positive impact on the sorting at the Amherst Stadium. Staff will continue with this campaign throughout the summer months with our parks in hopes that it will help with litter throughout the town.

#### **Earth Day Events**

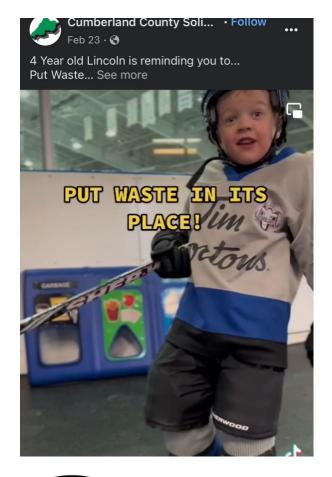
Staff are gearing up for Earth Day Celebrations. There are a number of groups that are conducting clean-ups with the hopes that more will join! If community groups are looking to register a clean-up they are encouraged to visit the following website: https://www.nsadoptahighwav.ca/

Staff will have a table set up at the Amherst Stadium on Friday, April 21 from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. to give away bags and gloves to residents wishing to do a clean-up.

#### **Social Media**

We continue to have an active presence on the Cumberland County Solid Waste Facebook Page. Our focus has been on the "Put Waste In Its Place Campaign" and common sorting questions.







**Frozen Juice** Cans





Place broken glass in a cardboard box or plastic container, label the box/container "broken glass" and then place beside your garbage.

be placed in the garbage. Some other examples include chip cans, coffee