

***Come for a visit!
We'll talk trash
together!***

At the Garbage Garage Education Center you'll learn all about trash—why it's a problem and what we can do about it.

The Center opened in 2003 to help educate people **of all ages** about reducing, reusing, and recycling as well as landfills and household hazardous waste.

IT'S FUN! IT'S FREE!!

**Drop-in Hours:
Tuesday, Wednesday,
Thursday, and Friday
10 am—2 pm**

**Call or e-mail to
schedule a tour:
(970)498-5772
rwatson @ Larimer.org**

Directions

The Garbage Garage is located at the Larimer County Landfill. It's the building directly south of the entrance lanes & gatehouses. Please enter through the Recycling lane (farthest to the right). Please park in the Garbage Garage parking lot ONLY!

From Fort Collins:

Go south on Taft Hill Rd. past Harmony Road. The landfill is about 2 miles south of Harmony on the west side of the road.

From Loveland:

From Highway 34 (Eisenhower Blvd.), go north on Wilson Ave. Wilson turns into Taft Hill Rd. Head towards Fort Collins and the landfill will be on the west side of the road.



Larimer County Landfill
5887 S. Taft Hill Road
Fort Collins, CO 80526



Solid Waste Department
www.larimer.org/solidwaste

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***Larimer County's
waste and recycling
education center at the
Larimer County Landfill***

AN ADVENTURE IN TRASH AWAITS YOU.....

You'll begin your adventure in the Garbage Garage by entering the "Mountain of Trash," a tunnel-like hallway where you'll be surrounded by trash. Meet Patty Packrat, the Garbage Garage "spokesrat," who has lots of fun facts and interesting things to say on displays in the Center. Learn how much trash you create, where it goes and what it's made up of. (Did you know that about a third of residential trash buried in our landfill is paper?)

From there, you head into areas featuring displays about reducing, reusing, recycling and the landfill. Enter the kitchen area to learn more about water, safe cleaning products and how to safely dispose of household hazardous wastes. (The average household is home to 64 hazardous chemicals!)



The Amazing History of Trash traces products, laws, and trash disposal from early Rome and into the future.



What happens to trash in the landfill? How long does it take for a banana to decompose? Learn more about composting, or take a look at our easy-to-make composters outside. You'll find all this and more at the Garbage Garage!



Learn how to make smart choices when shopping, where your recyclables go when they leave your curb, and how they are made into new products.



ACTIVITIES FOR TOUR GROUPS

Tour the Garbage Garage and add an additional site:

- Recycling Center (K-Adult)
- Landfill (weather permitting)
(Activity and grade level)
- Recycling Relay (K-A)
- Water: Keep It Clean (PS-2)(3-A)
- Where Does It Go Game (2-A)
- Quest for Less (4-12)
- Natural Resources & The Environment (4-A)
- The Lorax (PS-3)
- Reuse Olympics (2-A) (Summer)
- Enviroscape Model (3-A)
- Watershed Model (3-A)
- Making Methane (4-12)
- Scavenger Hunt (K-12)
- Landfill Plants & Animals (K-8)
- Trash Art (2-A)
- And More!

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