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Fall Freecycling Day Returns to Community Arts Center Sept. 25

East Brunswick's Fall Freecycling Day, sponsored by the Friends of the East Brunswick Environmental Commission, returns to the Community Arts Center, 721 Cranbury Road, on Saturday, Sept. 25.

It will take place from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Items for freecycling may be dropped off until 1 p.m. with browsing and pick up until 2 p.m. Rain will cancel the event. Check the Friends' website for updates: friendsebec.com.

A semi-annual event, Freecycling Day offers area residents an opportunity to discard usable, unwanted household items in an environmentally friendly way instead of sending them to landfills. Attendees can browse for "finds" from small furniture and housewares to toys and tools. There is no charge to participate as a donor or "browser" in this "free trade" event. All items must be offered for free, for personal use and not for resale.

To ensure everyone's safety at the event, participants, browsers and volunteers must comply with all state guidelines pertaining to COVID.

Adult and teen volunteers are needed for all or part of the day. For more information and to sign up, click here.

Recommended freecycling items include clothing, books, shoes, bicycles, fish tanks, dishes, pots and pans, toys, office supplies, silverware, small appliances, tools, power tools, gardening tools, kitchenware, garage items, electronics and pet supplies. It is recommended that boxed toys, games and anything with small parts be taped shut.

Prohibited items include large furniture pieces, mattresses, televisions, computer monitors, paints, VHS tapes, computer disks, pesticides, tires, toiletries, unframed mirrors, food or any hazardous materials. FriendsEBEC reserves the right to reject items.

Freecycling days are a project of <u>FriendsEBEC</u> and co-sponsored with the East Brunswick Recycling Center and East Brunswick Recreation, Parks & Community Services.

The FriendsEBEC is a nonprofit, all-volunteer citizens group dedicated to local environmental education and conservation. In addition to Freecycling Days, it coordinates National Moth Week, Amphibian Protection, Community Garden, Butterfly Park, community Moth Nights and Option Green lectures at the library. Membership is free.

For more information about Friends of EBEC, visit friendsebec.com, or send email to friends.ebec@gmail.com.