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## **EIU Students to Mark Earth Day by Collecting Recyclables; Public Invited**

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Eastern Illinois University students and local recycling businesses are teaming up to collect a variety of recyclable materials on Earth Day (Wednesday, April 22).

Community members and students are invited to drop items off at Eastern's Library Quad and South Quad from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. In addition, vehicles may be unloaded in the parking lot north of O'Brien Stadium and Lantz Arena from 3 to 7 p.m.

Accepted items include glass, plastics 1-5 and 7, light bulbs, gently used clothing and small electronics. Items will be sorted and sent to the proper facilities. For a full list of accepted items, please contact student Emily Steele at [easteel2@eiu.edu](mailto:easteel2@eiu.edu).

The event is sponsored by the EIU Residence Hall Association's Environmental Awareness Committee and local recycling businesses Veolia and eRecycling.

"A large amount of the items that can be recycled end up in the trash every year, and we feel like it is our responsibility as a university to help prevent the expansion of landfills as much as possible," read a statement from the RHA committee.

Those who would like to volunteer may contact student Julia Novotny at [janovotny@eiu.edu](mailto:janovotny@eiu.edu).