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### **Paint Exchange Helps Residents and Environment**

Residents can safely dispose of unwanted, but useable paint or pick up free paint, while helping reduce waste sent to area landfills by participating in the annual *Great Paint Exchange* scheduled for Sat., April 24, at the Public Work Center, 131 South Boulevard.

Residents wishing to get rid of half to full cans of usable latex paint can drop it off from 9 – 11 a.m., and anyone in need of paint may pick it up from 12:30 - 2:30 p.m.

Paint collected that is not given away will be properly disposed of through *Partners In Waste Paint Solutions*, an Illinois Environmental Protection Agency program that has agreements with paint retailers to reformulate or remix collected paint for reuse.

Now in its seventh year, the Village's annual paint exchange is sponsored by the Environmental and Energy Commission, citizen volunteers who work for a pollution-free environment in Oak Park through efforts such as promoting recycling to reduce solid waste.

For more information about the paint exchange call 358.5700 or email [publicworks@oak-park.us](mailto:publicworks@oak-park.us).

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