

FOCUS AREA SURVEY

KAB's three educational focus areas are litter prevention, beautification and community improvement and waste reduction.

Responses are based on 10 received from local government, county employees, school teachers, Clemson Extension, and the Horry County Solid Waste Authority.

What impression would a first-time visitor have of your community?

Positives:

- Historic Preservation
- Boutique Shopping
- Eco Tourism
- Loads of Natural Beauty
- Looks like a Great Place to Live
- Friendly People
- Attractive Areas
- Beautiful Beaches
- Natural Areas to Enjoy
- Relaxing Atmosphere

Negatives:

- Myrtle Beach is tacky (Billboards and signs everywhere) (3responses)
- Roadsides and Medians are messy
- Trash on roadsides
- Visual Clutter
- No Public Transportation
- Traffic Congestion
- Road kill
- Old Buildings or Abandoned Buildings need a facelift or to be torn down

Litter Prevention:

Who are contacts for litter prevention, education/enforcement?

- Everyone (9 responses)
- City of Conway Beautification Department, c/o Mr. Foster Hughes: (843) 248-1740
- Police Departments/State Highway Patrol
- Horry County Environmental Services/Animal Care, c/o Mr. Gary Gause: (843) 915-6980

What ordinances/codes/regulation exists in your community related to litter (prevention)?

- Horry County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 10 Garbage, Trash and Refuse, Art. II, Sec. 10-16 Disposal generally;
- Horry County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 10 Garbage, Trash and Refuse, Art. II, Sec. 10-42 Enforcement; penalties; (We have this ordinance prohibiting littering that assigns penalties as well. We all wonder how much we really try to enforce the ordinance)
- City of Conway Code of Ordinances, Title 6 Health and Sanitation, Chapter 3 Garbage and Waste Disposal, Sec. 6-3-11 Scattering of refuse and littering prohibited;
- Town of Aynor Code of Ordinances, Art. II Littering, Sec. 19-30/19-31 Littering & Penalty;
- ? (6 responses)

Did your community participate in the Great American Cleanup or any other community litter cleanup?

- Several scheduled each year with various nonprofit organizations
- Conway has semi-annual clean-up events, and we participate in River Sweeps
- Coastal Carolina University-Burroughs & Chapin Center for Marine and Wetland Studies, together with the Coastal Waccamaw Stormwater Education Consortium and S.C. Sea Grant conduct semi-annual beach sweeps on Waites Island
- NO (8 responses)

Who is responsible for illegal dump cleanup in your jurisdiction?

- Private Property owners are required to clean up their own
- Sanitation Department (4 responses)
- Solid Waste Department (2 responses)
- Public Works (2 responses)
- Horry County Police – Environmental Service Officer: (843) 248-1520.

What litter prevention programs are used by your area schools?

- Horry County Solid Waste Authority's Recycling Program (5 responses)
- Palmetto Pride
- SCDHEC - "Take Action Lesson Plans"
- ? (3 responses)

Who does education related to litter prevention?

- Kendra Hooks, Coordinator of Recycling Programs for Horry County Solid Waste Authority, (843) 347-1651
- Jeannie Carter, SCDHEC, jeanniecarter@greenleafedu.com,
- Horry County School Board: Environmental Education teachers
- Keep North Myrtle Beach Beautiful
- Horry County Parks and Recreation
- Horry County Stormwater Department
- Public Works Department(s)
- Clemson Extension Service
- Coastal Waccamaw Stormwater Education Consortium
- Waccamaw Riverkeeper
- Surfrider Foundation

Beautification and Community Improvement:

Who are contacts for beautification programs/activities?

- Everyone (3 responses)
- City of Conway, Beautification Department, c/o Mr. Foster Hughes: (843) 248-1740
- Public Works Departments
- Sanitation Department
- Solid Waste Authority
- Police Department
- Horry County Parks and Open Space Board
- Keep North Myrtle Beach Beautiful

What ordinances/codes/regulation exists in your community related to beautification and community improvement?

- City of Conway, Zoning Ordinance:
<http://cityofconway.com/departments/planning/ordinance%20updated%208%2017%2010.pdf>
- Prohibition against junk cars
- Dilapidated buildings and residents that maintain their yards clean of debris, roll-out carts and recycling bins are to be moved away from curbside on the day of collections

Has your community recognized anyone for beautification efforts in the past three years?

- City of Conway provide awards for commercial and residential improvements of landscape
- City of North Myrtle Beach through Keep North Myrtle Beach Beautiful program

Do we have an active Master Gardener program?

- Yes, Clemson Extension Service, c/o Mr. Gary Forrester: (843) 365-6715, ext. 113

How many Garden Clubs exist in our community?

- 3 Master Gardener Organizations, c/o Mr. Gary Forrester: (843) 365-6715, ext. 113
- Conway: Camelia Garden Club, contact: Janice Cutts: (843) 397-8081

Are we a Tree City USA?

- City of Conway, c/o Ms. Wanda Lilly, City of Conway Arborist: (843) 488-1777
- City of Myrtle Beach, c/o Mr. Richard Kirby, Parks Superintendent: (843) 918-2390
- City of North Myrtle Beach, c/o Mr. Sean Hoelscher, Tree City Board: (843) 280-5572
- Town of Surfside Beach, c/o Mr. Eric Simpson, Parks and Grounds Supervisor: (843) 913-6060

Who does education related to beautification and community improvement?

- Kendra Hooks, Coordinator of Recycling Programs for Horry County Solid Waste Authority, 843-347-1651.
- Jeannie Carter, SCDHEC, jeanniecarter@greenleafedu.com,
- Horry County School Teachers
- Keep North Myrtle Beach Beautiful
- Horry County Parks and Recreation
- Horry County Storm Water
- Public Works
- Clemson Extension Services
- Coastal Waccamaw Stormwater Education Consortium
- Waccamaw Riverkeeper
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Waste Reduction:

Who are contacts for solid waste management?

- The Horry County Solid Waste Authority owns and operates the MSW and C&D Landfills in the county, 347-1651 or education@solidwasteauthority.org.
- Waste Industries, Waste Management, Lee Disposal, and other private haulers service businesses and residents.
- Sanitation Department

What ordinances/codes/regulation/contracts exist in your community related to solid waste?

- Horry County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 10 Garbage, Trash and Refuse, Art. II Solid Waste Handling and Disposal
- City of Conway Code of Ordinances, Title 6 Health and Sanitation, Chapter 3 Garbage and Waste Disposal, Sections 6-3-1 thru 6-3-28

List all the landfills, transfer/convenience stations in our area:

- 1 MSW Landfill site and 1 C&D Landfill site within Horry County (off S.C. 90 on the outskirts of Conway)
- 2 transfer stations (City of MB & City of NMB)
- 24 Recycling Convenience Centers (Horry County Solid Waste Authority, call (843) 347-1651 or email education@solidwasteauthority.org)

What is the estimated remaining life of each landfill?

- The landfill area is projected to last until the year 2033.

List the public or private recycling opportunities in our community (be specific):

- 24 Recycling Convenience Centers through Horry County Solid Waste Authority, call (843) 347-1651 or go to <http://www.solidwasteauthority.org/recyclingcenters.html>
- Private Haulers for residential curbside recycling, www.SolidWasteAuthority.org

Are there any reuse/second-hand shops in our community?

- Habitat for Humanity
- Goodwill
- Salvation Army
- Plato's Closet
- Moosie's Closet

Do you have a recycling end use business?

- There are various markets for all recyclables that change from month to month, but the markets are kept local if possible.
- Recyclables include: plastic, glass, metal, e-waste, paper, cardboard, cell phones, mattresses, yard debris, construction waste, scrap metal, used oil, kitchen grease, batteries, clothing, and shoes.

Where does the electronic waste including cell phones and inkjet in our community go?

- Electronic waste including cell phones go to the 24 Recycling Convenience Centers, Horry County Solid Waste Authority, call (843) 347-1651 or email education@solidwasteauthority.org.
- Inkjet can go to Cartridge World, Walmart, Pet Smart, Office Depot, Office Max, or Best Buy.

Do your schools recycle?

- Schools recycle classroom paper, newspaper, cardboard, plastic jugs and bottles, steel and aluminum cans. Horry County Solid Waste Authority, call (843) 347-1651 or email education@solidwasteauthority.org

Who does education on waste reduction?

- Recycling Coordinators; Kendra Hooks, Horry County Solid Waste Authority, call (843) 347-1651 or email education@solidwasteauthority.org
- Jeannie Carter, SCDHEC, jeanniecarter@greenleafedu.com,
- Horry County School Teachers
- Keep North Myrtle Beach Beautiful
- Horry County Parks and Recreation, Bonnie Fitz
- Horry County Storm Water
- Public Works
- Clemson Extension Services
- Coastal Waccamaw Stormwater Education Consortium
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