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## FREE Latex Paint Recycling Program for Genesee County Residents

When asked whether or not they would utilize a free – drop off for old latex paint, over 90% of Genesee County residents indicated they would. Now, that hypothetical drop-off is a reality! Latex paint can now be recycled into a usable paint product that is sold locally at the Habitat for Humanity Restore in the City of Flint. "With every household in America having on average of 1-3 gallons of left over latex paint, we knew this was a service needed for Genesee County residents." says Derek Bradshaw, Director-Coordinator of the Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission.



Residents of Genesee County can bring their left-over, unused, and unwanted latex paint to the Restore during regular business hours at **NO CHARGE!** The Restore is located at 101 Burton St. Flint, MI 48503.

Paint collected at the Restore is transported to a processing facility in Battle Creek, operated by ePaint LLC, where the paint is then made into a new paint product called "Everybody's Paint" or "ePaint" for short. This new paint product is then returned to the Restore in the City of Flint where residents can purchase new paint for under \$15 per gallon! Paint colors even have their own Michigan-made touch such as "Keep Lake Michigan Blue", "Mackinaw Green" and "Petoskey Stone".



This program has been organized by the Genesee County Metropolitan Planning Commission with support from the Genesee County Habitat for Humanity and Keep Genesee County Beautiful.

For more information please contact the Genesee County Recycle Hotline at (810) 762-7744; Recycle@co.genesee.mi.us or the Genesee County Habitat for Humanity Restore at (810) 766-9089. Restore Hours are Tuesday-Saturday 9:00a.m.-5p.m.

