### Celebrate America Recycles Day at the NIH!

All NIH staff are invited to participate in America Recycles Day activities occurring from November 8-18, 2019. America Recycles Day has been established as a single day for educating and motivating others to recycle and improving recycling programs. The NIH has expanded upon America Recycles Day to make it last over a week! Events and collections will be held across many NIH campuses to promote recycling and share recycling knowledge. These activities are described below and on the <a href="NEMS website">NEMS website</a>. NIH staff should contact Mansi Mehta or Jacquelyn McGauley at 301-496-7990 with any questions regarding America Recycles Day at the NIH.

## Bethesda

- Electronics recycling from November 12-15 at drop-off locations in the lobbies of these buildings: 1, 10 (South Lobby), 13, 31A, 35, 38A, 40, 45, 50
  - Acceptable items include personal items and non-accountable government property, such as electronics, floppy disks, CDs, cords, microwaves, coffee makers, monitor stands, metal staplers and hole punchers
- Plastic film recycling locations, as described in the "<u>Featured Article</u>"
  - A few examples of acceptable items are Ziploc bags, grocery bags, dry cleaning bags, shrink wrap and bubble wrap
- Cafeteria recycling information tables on Thursday, November 14 from 11am-1pm in these buildings: 10 (B1 & 2nd floor), 31, 35, 38, 45

## Research Triangle Park

The Research Triangle Park campus will host a seminar event from Meredith Marley of Shimar Recycling on November 15 in Building 101, Room E450. Ms. Marley will primarily focus on the current state of recycling in North Carolina. Attendees can expect to learn how the local recycling industry has been affected by recent changes in the world recycling markets. Attendees can also expect to hear about recycling on the RTP campus, specifically methods to improve recycling rates and reduce contamination and changes to be expected in the future.

## **Bayview**

The Bayview campus will celebrate America Recycles Day on November 15, 2019 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm in the atrium of the Biomedical Research Center (BRC). Waste Management (WM) will share information on recycling, specifically solvent recycling. In addition, the Gaithersburg Distribution Center (GDC) will provide pickup services from the BRC and Triad buildings for surplus property. All accountable items (items with barcodes) must receive approval through their Property Custodial Officer (PCO). Non-accountable items may be placed in the collection bins without paperwork. All items will be recycled, redistributed or donated.

# Shady Grove & ATRF Building

America Recycles Day activities on the Shady Grove campus and at the ATRF Building in the Riverside complex in Frederick will consist of recycling collections from Friday, November 8 until Monday, November 18. Acceptable items include:

- Clean towels and blankets
- Eyeglasses and accessories
- Plastic grocery bags Water filters, specifically Brita, Everpure and PUR brands