#### **REPORT ILLEGAL DUMPING**

Illegal dumping is a criminal offense and must be reported to the Municipality immediately.

RECYCLE MORE, WASTE LESS







#### **REDUCE-REUSE-RECYCLE**

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# ILLEGAL DUMPING



### WHAT IS ILLEGAL DUMPING?

Illegal dumping is the deliberate disposal of (waste) materials onto public or private land. It often occurs on vacant land and other public open spaces.



## WHY IS ILLEGAL DUMPING A PROBLEM IN OUR COMMUNITY?

- Waste devalues our properties and drives tourists away.
- Waste pollution can contaminate our soil and very limited water supply and cause health problems.
- Waste pollution is aesthetically unpleasing and can attract flies and other disease carrying vermin.







### **CAUSES OF ILLEGAL DUMPING**

There are plenty of reasons that people decide to illegally dump their trash.

- High level of waste production
- Lack of education on available disposal options (such as recycling)
- Not taking the time to drive to the local landfill or transfer station
- To avoid Disposal Fees at Waste Sites

Even if you aren't the one committing the crime, you're still the one paying for it (in more ways than one).

### HOW CAN YOU HELP?

- STOP littering and illegal dumping.
- Throw rubbish in dustbins.
- Changing the attitude of the community by educating them.
- Put your waste out on the correct refuse removal day in your area.
- Keep your pavement and nearby open spaces clean.
- Contact your Local Authority when your nearby waste skip bin is full.