**Help Stop Mercury Pollution**

Mercury is a very toxic heavy metal that can enter our bodies through consumption, inhalation, and skin absorption. Mercury can cause harm to the brain, kidney, and lungs. There are many common household items that contain Mercury and need to be properly recycled. Common household items include:

* Thermometers
* Thermostats
* Barometers
* Fluorescent light bulbs
* Button-cell batteries
* Blood pressure cuffs
* Old latex paint (pre-1990)

**Do not throw these items in the trash! They will be disposed of in the Cranberry Creek Landfill, where leachate water is discharged to the Wisconsin Rapids Wastewater Treatment Facility.**

**Mercury Thermostat Recycling**

Old mercury thermostats from individual homes and other small mercury containing items can be brought to the Wood County Health Department office in Wisconsin Rapids. The thermostats must be double bagged in clear plastic bags and not leaking mercury.

Wood County River Block Building  
3rd Floor  
111 W Jackson St  
Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54495  
Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00am - 12:00pm / 1:00pm - 4:00pm Closed Holidays  
Phone: (715) 421-8911

**Fluorescent Lightbulb Recycling Contacts:**

Express Recycling,

Batteries+Bulbs,

Waste Management