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## **Snohomish County Solid Waste Receives Call2Recycle Top 100 Leader in Sustainability Award for Battery Collection and Recycling**

**EVERETT, Wash., March 9, 2023** – Call2Recycle Inc. has recognized Snohomish County Solid Waste as a Top 100 Leader in Sustainability for battery recycling during 2022. Solid Waste diverted more than 32,000 pounds of batteries from area landfills last year.

“This award reaffirms Public Works commitment to the environment and community resiliency,” Snohomish County Public Works Director Kelly Snyder said. “Many thanks to staff and residents for working towards a responsible consumer battery management program – especially during logistical and organizational challenges brought on by the pandemic and staffing challenges.”

Call2Recycle is a not-for-profit, product stewardship organization focused on the reduction of hazardous waste in compliance with state and national regulations. Snohomish County’s efforts helped the Call2Recycle program collect nearly 8 million pounds of consumer batteries in the United States.

“By properly disposing of batteries and other hazardous materials, we greatly reduce the risk of fires at waste and recycling centers and divert potential toxins from polluting landfills,” Snyder said.

Overall, 2.7 million pounds of hazardous material were reused or recycled at county facilities during 2022.

All Snohomish County Solid Waste facilities accept batteries in addition to a growing list of retailers. To find a list of battery collection sites in Snohomish County, visit the [Solid Waste facility webpage](#) or [Call2Recycle, Inc.](#)

### **About Snohomish County Public Works**

Snohomish County Public Works is responsible for approximately 1,600 miles of county roads, more than 200 bridges and manages about 200 traffic control signals. The department also processes nearly 600,000 tons of garbage per year. Its mission is to focus on safety and mobility while practicing fiscal responsibility and preserving the environment. Public Works has won numerous state and national honors for its work and is the largest department within Snohomish County government with approximately 500 employees plus seasonal staff. Its main office is located at 3000 Rockefeller Ave, Everett, WA 98201. Visit [www.snohomishcountywa.gov/PublicWorks](http://www.snohomishcountywa.gov/PublicWorks) or follow the department on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) for more information about Snohomish County Public Works.

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