

# TRASH TALK



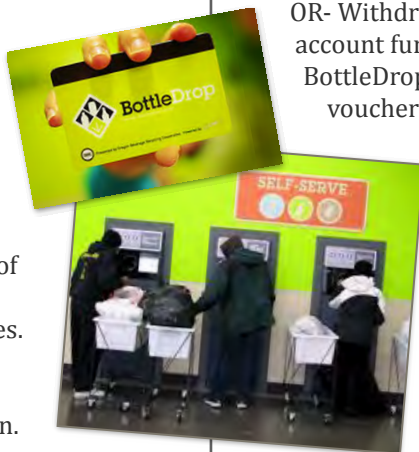
## BottleDrop now in Newport!

Hours: 8am-6pm daily Address: 158 E Olive St.

BottleDrop has arrived in Newport! This new system, operated by the Oregon Beverage Recycling Cooperative, for redeeming bottles and cans of which Newport is one of 25 facilities in Oregon. With a clean and spacious indoor facility, onsite staff, and a BottleDrop Account, it makes returning deposit containers and collecting your refund fast, clean and convenient.

### 3 Easy Ways to Return

1. Bottle Drop Account - Create an account at the kiosk inside the Center. You can obtain green bags from the customer service, fill it up with your deposit bottles/cans and drop it off at Bottle Drop Newport and your refund will be credited to your account.
2. Self Serve - Return up to 350 bottles and cans per person, per day in a clean and friendly environment using new state of the art reverse vending machines. Receive your refund using the onsite pay station.
3. Hand Count - Have 50 or fewer containers to redeem? A customer service associate can assist you by using their hand-count method.



### 3 Easy Ways to Collect

1. Instant Cash - When you use the self-serve vending machines or utilize the hand count service, you can receive your refund in cash (Up to \$35.00 per person, per day).
  2. BottleDrop Card - When you sign up for a BottleDrop account, you'll get your own account card, which will be credited every time you use our BottleDrop system. Redeem your balance for cash at any BottleDrop Redemption Center.
  3. Participating Retailer Kiosk - Use the BottleDrop kiosk to print a voucher for your Bottle Drop account funds and redeem for cash at the checkout counter. - OR- Withdraw your BottleDrop account funds and print a BottleDrop PLUS store credit voucher worth 20% more at participating retailers.
- Want to donate your funds to a local non-profit?**  
Create a BottleDrop account, go online and view the list of BottleDrop Give non-profits and donate all or part of your balance to your favorite cause or causes!

## In the Know

### Beach Clean-up

#### **SOLVE's annual Spring Beach Cleanup March 23**

Take care of the Oregon Coast. Join SOLVE and thousands of volunteers this March to clean up litter and marine debris from our local coastline! There is even a greater need because of our recent king tides. Go to [solveoregon.org](http://solveoregon.org) to sign up to volunteer.

### Earth Day April 22

#### **Stay tuned for Free Compost Day this Spring**

In celebration of Earth Day, Thompson's Sanitary will be providing free compost on a select day this Spring. The compost is hauled to Newport from Pacific Region Compost in Corvallis, where we haul the raw Mixed Compostables materials picked up curbside and turned into compost after a 60-day process. Due to weather and demand, the date is yet to be determined based on when compost is available. We will post on our website, [thompsonsanitary.com](http://thompsonsanitary.com), as well as on our Facebook page when a date has been decided. Limit to one pick-up load per person, while supplies last, at the Agate Beach Transfer Station, 8096 NE Avery St, Newport.



# Need a ride for SFW Fest? Call Pirate Taxi for a good cause



Arrrrggghhh! Looking for a safe ride to and from the Seafood and Wine Festival February 22-24? Kelli Thompson of Newport created Pirate Taxi five years ago to give Seafood and Wine Fest goers a fun and safe option back to their hotel or home while benefitting local cancer victims.

When you hop in Kelly's mini-van, she explains to all riders that the Pirate Taxi operates on their generous donation so 100% of what riders pay goes to CAN Cancer, a local appeal to provide community assistance to cover non-medical living expenses for Central Coast Oregonians fighting all forms of cancer. The fund is managed through Pacific Communities Health District Foundation.

Last year, Thompson donated over \$1,000 directly from her operation of Pirate Taxi. Since its inception, Kelli has donated over \$3,000 from the fundraiser. And no worries mate, she's a licensed and insured pirate driver!

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## Have you thought about your home waste station?



We realize this might not be on everyone's minds, but how you organize your home waste station determines how well you're utilizing your waste services. Home stations can range from fancy cabinet built-in's to DIY stations under your sink or in the garage. To help you:

- 1) **Locate a convenient place for your recycling center:** It's best to choose a spot somewhat close to the kitchen where a majority of your waste is generated.
- 2) **Make it Easy:** Make it a family affair; assign jobs, color-code, label, and post special instructions per the recycling guide. Rinse out food and beverage containers to keep pests and mess to a minimum!
- 3) **Select the right containers** that work for your space and the types of items going in them.



*Ideas to Celebrate Earth Day  
all year long*

1. Ditch the single use water bottle for a reusable bottle
2. Bring reusable bags when you shop. To help you remember, put in the front seat of your car after you unload groceries.
3. Carry reusable utensils instead of using single use plastic ones
4. Compost kitchen scraps
5. Participate in a beach or river clean-up
6. Pull out invasive plants in your yard and replace with native ones that attract bees
7. Use environmentally friendly, non-toxic cleaning products.
8. Replace incandescent light bulbs with efficient CFLs or LEDs
9. Carpool, ride your bike, use public transportation, or drive an electric or hybrid car
10. Teleconference instead of traveling to a meeting
11. Recycle
12. Donate your clothes and home goods instead of throwing them out
13. Repair whatever you can before replacing with new
14. Use cloth towels instead of paper ones
15. Change your paper bills to online billing
16. Set your office/home printer to print two-sided
17. Run your dishwasher only when it's full to save water and energy
18. Turn off electronics and unplug appliances when you're not using them to save energy
19. Wash your clothes only when necessary, use cold water and line-dry
20. Buy local food to reduce the distance from farm to fork