

BOOK RECYCLING NOW AVAILABLE
AT
ONEONTA AND COOPERSTOWN TRANSFER STATION.

In December 2015, the Otsego County Solid Waste Department contracted with Discover Books to place collection bins for soft and hardcover books at the Cooperstown and Oneonta Transfer Stations. The new service is in response to County residents seeking locations to recycle books, especially hard cover books. Prior to the agreement, individuals wanting to dispose of hard cover books were asked to separate the cover from the pages. The glue used in the spine of the book and the hard cover prevent hardcover books from being disposed in the regular recycling bins. Four Book Bins will be placed at each transfer station and Discover Books will service the bins from their Massachusetts based company, at no cost to the County.

Discover Books has collection locations all across the country with the goal to resell, donate, or recycle books depending on their condition. The priority and focus of the company is to place books with people who want and need them the most. Discover Books is able to do this through partnerships with public libraries and charitable organizations throughout the country. Since the company's inception, they have donated over 8.9 million books to non-profit organizations and they have diverted over 500 million pounds of paper from landfill demise. It is this focus on charity and environmental awareness that attracted the County to this particular company.

The Otsego County Planning and Solid Waste Department is looking forward to working with Discover Books. Individuals can dispose of books during the transfer stations regular hours:

Oneonta M-F 7 am – 3 pm and Saturdays 8 am to Noon
Cooperstown M,W,F 7 am to Noon and Saturdays 8 am to Noon
Hours of operation on Saturdays from
Memorial Day to Labor Day are extended to 2 pm.

Feel free to visit the Solid Waste Department's website at
www.otsegocounty.com/dept/solidwaste or call us at
(607) 547-4225 for additional information.