

MAYOR’S OFFICE

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Delta has been named a Leader in Sustainability for the second year in a row by Call2Recycle, the product stewardship program responsible for household battery and cell phone recycling in BC.

“I’m proud of the great many Delta residents who have embraced our battery and cell phone recycling program and have made the program such a success,” said Mayor Lois E. Jackson. “This is an incredible accomplishment and demonstrates our municipality’s commitment to sustainability.”

Through the Call2Recycle program, Delta provides eleven convenient locations for residents to drop off used batteries and cell phones including recreation facilities, libraries, seniors’ centres and the Municipal Hall. Over 4,300 kilograms of rechargeable and non rechargeable batteries were recycled at Delta’s facilities in 2011 and 2012 making Delta one of the highest collection sites in Canada.

Delta’s participation in household battery recycling began even before the provincial take-back program started. At Council’s direction, Delta has been offering a household battery drop-off program to residents since 2010. Since the program’s inception, Delta has helped residents divert almost 6,000 kilograms of hazardous waste from the landfill demonstrating Delta’s leadership in waste management.

Residents can search for their closet drop-off location online at www.call2recycle.org or by calling the Recycling Council of BC Hotline at 604-RECYCLE.

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