

Bring your used tires to Ann & Hope

Firestone pitches in with April 29 Blackstone Valley Tire Roundup

CUMBERLAND – Here's a chance to get rid of old tires from towns all around the region.

The Blackstone Valley Tourism Council, in partnership with Keep The Valley Beautiful and Firestone Complete Auto Care in Warwick, will hold a one day tire collection for the entire Blackstone Valley community.

The Blackstone Valley Tire Round Up will be held on Saturday, April 29, from 8 a.m. until 2 p.m. at the Ann & Hope parking lot.

Last year's event collected more than 8,000 tires.

The collection day is part of

the Keep America Beautiful's Great American Cleanup, a series of community improvement events held nationally between March 1 – May 31.

Firestone Complete Auto Care, a national sponsor for the Great American Cleanup, agreed to recycle 1 million tires nationwide, free of charge.

Dan Donovan, the manager of Firestone Complete Auto Care on Bald Hill Road in Warwick, has been involved in the tire collecting event for several years by providing the tire disposal services.

"It has been great to work with the Blackstone Valley over the past few years for the tire

collection event," said Donovan, "it feels good to know that we're preventing tires from polluting the Blackstone Valley."

Residents from the Blackstone Valley's cities and towns are encouraged to bring tires that they may have on their property. Disposal of rimless tires is free and tires with rims are \$2.50 each, a portion of which will be used to help fund Keep The Valley Beautiful program.

The Blackstone Valley Tourism Council is looking for volunteers for the event to guide people into the Ann & Hope parking lot and to load tires into the trailers. People interested in helping can contact Kristin Zawistowski at 401-724-2200 or at kristin@tour-blackstone.com.

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