



## **SANDBAG COLLECTION MANAGEMENT AND LEAF & YARD WASTE COLLECTION FLOOD IMPACTED RESIDENTS ONLY**

The Township has developed a comprehensive plan for dealing with the cleanup process related to the 2026 Flood Event. Below are details on the plan and processes in place to assist impacted residents with managing sandbag collection and yard clean up.

### **SANDBAGS**

There are approximately 15,000 sandbags in various locations throughout the Township. The Township of Laurentian Valley will be providing assistance to residents with the collection of sandbags. The Township is working with a local Contractor, W.W. Siegel Sand & Gravel, to collect all sandbags including those from private property. Residents are responsible for placing filled sandbags at the end of their driveways for collection by the Contractor. **It is important that residents contact the Municipality to arrange for the collection of the sandbags by speaking with Kendryck Stage, Public Works Administrative Assistant.** The collection will take place during the week of June 22, 2026, and all sandbags must be set out by June 21, 2026. Please note that the Contractor will not collect any plastic, wood or other flood related debris.

Residents are reminded that sandbags can potentially be contaminated with harmful bacteria from failed septic systems.

Bags should not be cut open or used for sandboxes, playgrounds, or other areas where direct contact with humans or animals may occur. The sand should not be disposed of in a wetland, waterway, floodplain, or other environmentally sensitive or protected area.

If you are handling flooded sandbags you are advised to use gloves, safety glasses and a dusk mask. Residents are reminded to wash their hands regularly.

### **FLOOD DAMAGED ITEMS**

Household Hazardous Waste (paint cans, batteries, propane cylinders) and Electronic Waste (TV's, is not accepted and must be taken to the Ottawa Valley Waste Recovery Centre. Tires must also be taken to the Ottawa Valley Waste Recovery Centre. There is no charge to drop off these items at the OVWRC.

## **LEAF & YARD WASTE COLLECTION**

The Township has arranged for a special Leaf & Yard Waste Collection by Miller Waste. Materials are to be placed beside your driveway, away from the travelled portion of the road.

Leaf and Yard waste must be in open top, reusable containers, cardboard boxes or paper yard waste bags. Material in plastic bags including plastic bags claiming to be biodegradable or compostable will not be collected. Branches must not exceed 2 inches in diameter or 4 feet in length. Detailed guidelines and collection days can be found on your collection schedule.

This special one-time collection will occur on June 11, 2026 and materials are to be set out the day prior on June 10, 2026.

**For more information, please contact:**

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Township of Laurentian Valley 613-735-6291 ext. 209**