



# WATERGATE VILLAS EAST

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## **NEW for 2026: Glass Recycling Program**

- Bottles must be completely empty (no liquid inside). No need to rinse.
- Remove caps and rings from bottle necks
- Remove foil from bottle necks
- Remove any metal, aluminum or plastic off the top and neck of the bottle.
- Jars must be clean inside (no sauce or food residue).
- Width of bottle/jar must be less than 4 inches (larger are not acceptable as they won't fit through the crusher).

**Please deposit glass into the bins labeled GLASS ONLY in our refuse area.**

Glass is brought weekly by Watergate volunteers to Rotary Club of St. Thomas East Eco's glass crusher– which is also run by volunteers. Please help them by following the above rules, so that the crusher can run at maximum efficiency. Failure to comply will result in volunteers needing to take the time to transport unsuitable bottles to the landfill.

More information about this amazing local environmental initiative is at the bottom of this sheet.

**Thank you for caring to recycle your glass ♥!**



Glass is being turned back into sand right here in Red Hook, thanks to the [Rotary Club's 911 Glass Rescue project](#). Bottles and jars are pulverized– the resulting material is turned into sand bags for sale, and available to local contractors and the public for a wide variety of uses ranging from decorative applications and art projects, to landscaping/agricultural uses, water filtration, and more! Check out [V.I. Stone](#) for visuals of sample projects.

Volunteers and donations are always welcome, needed and appreciated– please reach out to the **Rotary Club of St. Thomas East Eco** via their website [here](#) for more information, and, please consider buying the colorful sand from the Rotary Club for your home, business, school, church or wherever you have decorative and landscaping needs– it is available in the mix pictured above, as well as in solid colors (white, clear, green, blue and brown).