**February 2025 Social Media Captions –**

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| **Facebook** | |
| February-FBImage-1-  https://earth911.com/inspire/earth-action-green-your-valentines-day/ | This Valentine’s Day, celebrate in ways that show love for the environment. Consider purchasing cards made from 100% recyclable materials or you can even make your own. Cards with some embellishments may not be recyclable in your community’s curbside or drop-off programs. Check with your municipality or waste hauler to find out what’s recyclable in your community. <https://earth911.com/inspire/earth-action-green-your-valentines-day/> |
| February-FBImage-2  https://www.epa.gov/recycle/composting-home | Even though they are beautiful, processing cut flowers can have a high carbon footprint, and the flowers may not be compostable in your community. Consider planting a tree, in your yard if you have space, or as part of a reforestation project for a long-lasting gift. Check with your municipality or waste hauler for information about composting in your community or check out tips from the EPA for composting at home. <https://www.epa.gov/recycle/composting-home> |
| February-FBImage-3  https://www.benjaminmoore.com/en-us/interior-exterior-paints-stains/how-to-advice/painting-101/storing-leftover-paint | An easy way to reduce paint waste is to not create it in the first place. Figure out how much you’re going to need and buy just enough for your project. OR, paint can be safely stored in a cool dry place for reuse later.  https://www.benjaminmoore.com/en-us/interior-exterior-paints-stains/how-to-advice/painting-101/storing-leftover-paint |
| February-FBImage-4  https://earth911.com/recycling-guide/how-to-recycle-paint/ | Not all paint is created (or disposed of) equally. Oil-based paint is considered household hazardous waste and should be disposed of at special collection events or sites. Latex and acrylic paint can also be disposed of at a household hazardous waste collection event or site or dried using kitty litter or newspaper and disposed of in the trash. However, be sure to check with your municipality or waste hauler to find out the proper way to dispose of paint in your community.  <https://earth911.com/recycling-guide/how-to-recycle-paint/> |

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| **Instagram** | |
| February-IGImage-1- | Show your loved one you really care by taking time to make your own Valentine’s Day cards this year. https://earth911.com/inspire/earth-action-green-your-valentines-day/ |
| February-IGImage-2- | Did you know that oil-based paint is flammable, even once it has dried out? For this reason, it is important to properly dispose of all oil-based paint at a household hazardous waste collection event or site. Check with your municipality to find out how to properly dispose of oil-based paint in your community. |

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| **X, formerly known as Twitter ((MAX 280 characters including spaces!)** | |
| February-XImage-1- | Plant a tree instead of giving flowers this valentine’s day to create a long-lasting gift. The earth will thank you!  <https://earth911.com/recycling-guide/how-to-recycle-paint/> |
| February-XImage-2- | Oil-based paint is household hazardous waste and should be taken to a special collection event or site. Ask your municipality or waste hauler about the proper way to handle paint in your community. |