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Garfield County provides new option for proper disposal of worn U.S. flags

New flag disposal box installed at Garfield County Courthouse Lobby

WASHINGTON – In partnership with the National Association of Counties, the National Flag Foundation, Garfield County has installed a flag retirement box, at no cost to the county, at the Garfield County Courthouse in the front lobby. Flags should be folded respectfully before being placed in the box.

The United States Flag Code prescribes flag etiquette — everything from flying it near other flags to instructions on how to raise and lower it. “The flag, when it is in such condition that it is no longer a fitting emblem of display, should be destroyed in a dignified way, preferably by burning,” says the code.

Said NACo Executive Director Matthew Chase, “We are pleased to provide these flag retirement boxes. Helping residents properly dispose of worn U.S. flags is consistent with our commitment to public service and community engagement.”

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