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TOWN NEWS

## March Photo Submissions

Robert B. Green was inspired by the photos and article MacKenzie Miller submitted for the February edition of *Fairview Town News* to send us this month's cover photo and other snapshots of caterpillars and butterflies. Submit your high-resolution images of life in Fairview for the April edition to [TownNews@fairviewtexas.org](mailto:TownNews@fairviewtexas.org).



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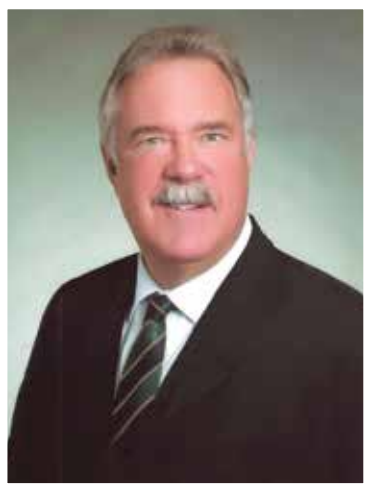
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# MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR



HENRY LESSNER

*Good morning friends!*

I write this on a very rainy Saturday. It is good to fill up the NTMWD reservoirs.

Some things going on around Town are:

- Maybe for the first time ever, our fire and police forces are fully staffed. This is a credit to the focus on this objective by our new Police Chief Chris Chandler and our Fire Chief Jeff Bell. Way to go guys!
- Under the leadership of John Adler, our Technology Advisory Committee will start including a quarterly topic in our Town newsletter.
- After months of effort and review by our entire Town staff and the Council, the Council approved an ordinance at our last meeting that updates our Subdivision regulations. These regulations are important as they specify the standards for drawing and recording a plat and the requirements for public infrastructure construction to make a property suitable for development.

**...our fire and police forces are fully staffed. This is a credit to the focus on this objective by our new Police Chief Chris Chandler and our Fire Chief Jeff Bell. Way to go guys!**

If you remember during the COVID outbreak, the Town had set up a streaming arrangement that enabled residents to remotely listen in on Council meetings. This streaming capability will be again available starting with the Council's March public meeting. P&Z public meetings will also be streamed starting in March. How to access this streaming capability will be coming out shortly. This will enable listening and viewing only. If one wants to participate in the meeting during Citizen's Comments or during a Public Hearing, you need to be present in the Council chamber.

The Fairview Rotary Club is growing again under the leadership of Bill Baxter. We meet on the second and fourth Tuesdays at Matt's Mexican restaurant in Allen at noon. We have a speaker at every meeting, support various non-profits, and run the flag program in Fairview.

Breakfast with the Mayor on the first Friday at Heritage Ranch at 8:30 a.m. and at Fairview Farmers on the second and fourth Mondays at 8 a.m.

Looking forward to spring!

*Henry Lessner*

Henry Lessner  
[Mayor@FairviewTexas.org](mailto:Mayor@FairviewTexas.org)

*Save the Date*  
Breakfast with the Mayor

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# Council's Corner

At the Jan. 10 Town Council meeting, the council approved the following items on the consent agenda:

- Minutes of the Nov. 16, 2023, Special Town Council meeting
- Minutes of the Dec. 5, 2023, Regular Town Council meeting
- Interlocal agreements with nearby municipalities for temporary use of fire/emergency apparatus and related matters
- An updated ordinance regarding the Town policy on water leak adjustment

The council also:

- Held a public hearing and approved changes to the Town of Fairview subdivision regulations and related matters
- Discussed the draft resident survey
- Discussed a change order for a left turn lane on State Highway 5 as part of the Fairview Crossing construction project
- Discussed recognition for former Fire Chief Dick Price
- Appointed Joe Boggs to the Economic and Community Development Corporation Board of Directors
- Received the Monthly Financial Report for the period ending Nov. 30, 2023
- Received the Monthly Police Report for the period ending Dec. 31, 2023
- Received the Monthly Fire Report for the period ending Dec. 31, 2023
- Received an update on Town construction projects

The Town Council meets the first Tuesday of each month at Fairview Town Hall, 372 Town Place. The public portion of the meeting begins at 7:30 p.m.

# Allen Community Band Performing Free Mid-Winter Concert

The Allen Community Band will perform music made famous in Disney productions during a free concert at **3 p.m. Sunday, March 3, at the Lowery Freshmen Center, 368 N. Greenville Ave., in Allen.**



Selections from The Wizard of Oz, The Sound of Music and Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone will also be featured, and area educators will be honored during the concert.

For more information about the band, contact Band Director Craig Logan at [CraigL@allencommunityband.com](mailto:CraigL@allencommunityband.com).

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## Garage Sales Are Coming



With milder weather ahead, more people consider holding garage or yard sales. Permits are not required for residents to hold a garage/yard sale in Fairview, but please adhere to signage restrictions.

One sign is permitted at the site of the yard/garage sale, and a total of two directional signs are permitted at road intersections. Signs may be in place up to one day before the sale and must be removed immediately after the sale has ended.

Signs for garage and yard sales are limited to size – no larger than 60 square inches. Please consult Fairview Ordinance 3.13.012(e) for specific details of sign restrictions. The entire Code of Ordinances is available at FairviewTexas.org under the “Government” tab.

If you have questions, please contact Code Enforcement Officer Richard Robertson at 972-886-4223.




Fairview Town Hall will be

# closed

Friday, March 29,  
in observance of Good Friday.

Town Hall will reopen at  
8 a.m. Monday, April 1.  
Have a safe and fun holiday weekend!



## RAINY DAYS SHOULDN'T MEAN INDOOR LAKES



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MEET AT 9 A.M. APRIL 13  
ON THE EAST SIDE OF TOWN HALL  
372 TOWN PLACE

## Volunteers Needed for Community Cleaning Event

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Board is sponsoring a Community Cleanup event to pick up trash along Fairview's trails and roads and in our parks.

The Town will supply trash bags and reflective vests. Bring your own gloves, trash pickers/grabbers or other tools to help pick up debris. Volunteers will gather at 9 a.m. Saturday, April 13, near the east entrance of Town Hall, 372 Town Place. The Parks Board will help disperse volunteers to areas they've identified for cleaning. Light refreshments will be provided.

After the work has ended, the Public Works team will pick up the filled trash bags that volunteers leave at cleanup sites.

The cleanup event is being held in conjunction with the Household Hazardous Waste Collection and Document Shredding events. Let's all pitch in to make Fairview fresh and clean for spring.



# Stories and Music Harmonize this Month at the Allen Public Library

By Tom Keener

## Celtic Folk Music

Patrick O-Shaun Young will guide the audience through a special presentation of KelticDead Music at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 7. Selections of KelticDead stories and

tunes will demonstrate how Celtic folk music resonates in the American experience. Those who wish, come prepared to sing along in this special KDM Broadside presentation.



Young is a video-based storyteller, author, songwriter, and the creator of the web-based, audio-visual KelticDead Music Video Broadside. Here, stories are found within the music of Celtic, folk, old timey and seafaring tunes that continue to impact the modern world.

Young is a retired audio-visual systems engineer who uses his studio skills to create music-story presentations in the tradition of the 16th Century Broadside formats. These are freely accessible from his KelticDead Music website.

Young is recognized in the 2023-24 Marquis Who's Who Publications Board for his work with the KelticDead Music initiative.

## Fiddlinda & Friends: An Evening of Celtic Music

Celebrating the enchanting music of the Celtic tradition, Fiddlinda & Friends will perform at 7:30 p.m. Friday, March 15. With a repertoire including ancient laments, contemporary ballads, traditional Irish tunes, Scottish Gaelic folksongs and a few foot-stomping jigs and reels, this group promises a full evening of lively entertainment.

Playing fiddle since the age 10, Linda Relph became part of the Texas Irish music scene after relocating from California in



the early 90s. Besides traditional Irish, her background includes contest fiddling (she was the California State Ladies Champion four times), Celtic Rock (founding member of The Killdares), greengrass (bluegrass-tinged Irish, courtesy of her former band Nine-8ths Irish) and even country (playing with several George Strait Tribute bands). She likes to call herself a “mercenary fiddler,” as she’ll play with just about anyone, anywhere.

Toar Schell has been a mainstay of the traditional Irish music community for over 25 years. He describes himself as a semi-competent banjo player and plays mandolin, fiddle and banjo.

Candy Schell plays fiddle, mandolin, bodhran and button accordion. She is a regular at local music sessions and is almost always at J. Gilligan’s sessions on Tuesday nights in Arlington. She is also a member of the TIMES Band & Session Players.

Matt Cook started his Irish traditional music journey many years ago around campfires, singing the songs of days long

past. As the years have gone by, more instruments have been added, and even more songs and tunes have snuck into his repertoire.

## Myles and LaSonjia Jack: Allen American Hockey

Myles Jack and his mother LaSonjia Jack, the first African-American majority owners in professional hockey history, will share their story at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 21.

Prior to retiring last month, Myles spent seven seasons in the NFL. The majority of his career was with the Jacksonville Jaguars, who drafted him in 2016 as the 36th overall pick. He also played for the Pittsburgh Steelers and the Philadelphia Eagles.

Jack was nominated for both the NFL’s 2021 Salute to Service Award and the Walter Payton Man of the Year award, the league’s highest off-field honor.

Alongside Myles, president/COO/co-owner of Amsonia Sports, LaSonjia is also fully focused on the success of the Allen Americans. She is dedicated to bringing a competitive spirit to the Americans, as well as a positive impact to the community off the ice.

“It’s such an honor to lead such a great hockey team in Texas, which is a great place for families and businesses,” she said. “We are looking forward to engaging all our fans, business partners, and community leaders. The Allen Americans are a pillar in this community, and we will continue that tradition.”

The Allen Public Library is at 300 N. Allen Drive. These free events will also be streamed live on ACTV at <https://ACTV.org>. Click the green “Watch” button top right on channel page. You can also find programs at [YouTube.com/@AllenCityTV/videos](https://YouTube.com/@AllenCityTV/videos). For information about any of these events, call 214-509-4911.



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To register for paperless billing, click the "Forms" tab at [FairviewTexas.org/departments/water-trash](http://FairviewTexas.org/departments/water-trash), complete the "Paperless Billing" form, and return it using the instructions on the form.




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# DOCUMENT SHREDDING EVENT



Hosted by  
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**SATURDAY, APRIL 13**  
9 a.m. – 1 p.m.  
Public Works Yard  
500 S. State Highway 5

*Bring a valid driver's license with a Fairview address or a Town-issued water bill.*

## Document Shredding Event Part of Town-Wide Spring Cleaning

Gather your outdated files (maximum of 10 boxes measuring 10 × 12 × 15-inches each per resident) and bring them to be securely shredded from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, April 13, at the Fairview Public Works Yard, 500 S. State Highway 5.



If you're unsure whether a document should be saved, refer to recommendations from the Internal Revenue Service. (Scan the QR code to view the IRS recommendations.)

Documents will be accepted for shredding on a first come, first served basis until a maximum capacity of 12,000 pounds is reached.

Residents must present a valid driver's license with a Fairview address or a Town-issued water bill to participate.

The shredding event is hosted by the Fairview Public Works Department and is sponsored by Randolph-Brooks Federal Credit Union-Allen.



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## Prescription Drug Take Back Day

**10 a.m.-2 p.m.**  
**Saturday, April 27**  
**Fire Station 1**  
**510 S. State Highway 5**

## Drug Take Back Day Set for April 27

The Fairview Police Department is participating in the Drug Enforcement Agency's Drug Take Back Day to collect and dispose of unneeded medications to prevent medication misuse and opioid addiction.

Bring unneeded medications to Fire Station 1, 510 S. State Highway 5, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, April 27.

Liquid products, such as cough syrup, should remain in the original container and tightly sealed to prevent leakage. Medication in tablet or capsule form may be poured directly into the disposal box or disposed of in its original container.

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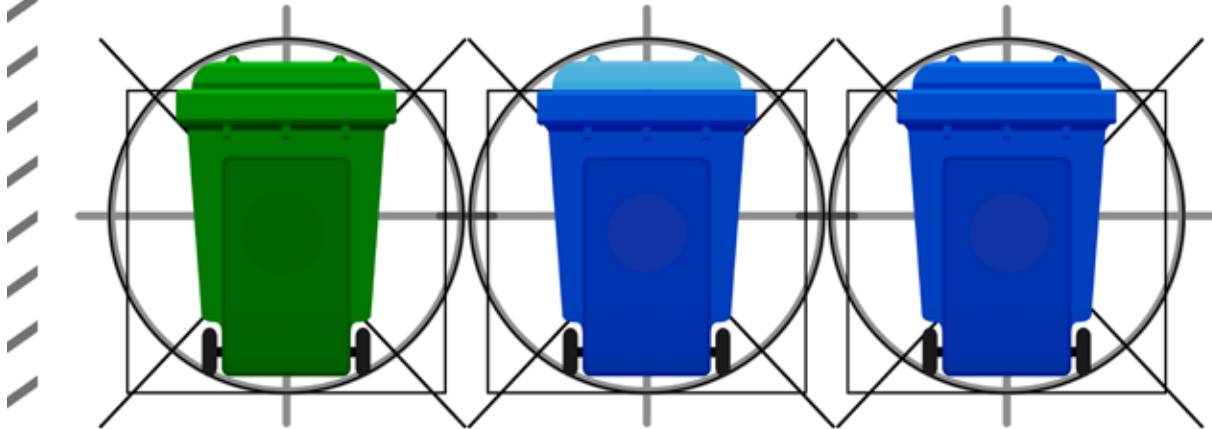


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Contributed by the Technology Advisory Committee

Everyone should educate themselves on the benefits and risks associated with social media. Connecting and engaging safely on social media requires vigilance. The following are best practices recommended by the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency and other cybersecurity experts:

**1 Think before you post:** Ask the questions, “Am I comfortable sharing such information? Does this posting create risk now or down the road?” No matter how quickly you delete a post or picture, it’s likely someone saw it. Everyone should understand the importance of owning their digital lives so they can avoid putting themselves or others in a bad situation.

**2 Turn off location/geotagging features:** Many social media platforms allow users to keep their location hidden. It may be fun to “check-in” and show where you’re visiting, but you’re telling people where to find you and that you aren’t home. Always know if you’re sharing location information and with whom you’re sharing it.

**3 Connect with people you trust:** Some social media platforms may seem safer because of limited personal information shared. However, you should keep your connections limited to people you know and trust. Many platforms have privacy settings that allow users to limit what content others can see.

**4 Verify before you click:** Don’t click on suspicious links or files or respond to messages asking for money or personal information. Even if the message looks like it’s from a friend or family member, their account may have been hacked. Call them to check. Before buying something, research the company. Search their name online along with words like “scam” or “complaint.”

**5 Speak up if you’re uncomfortable:** If a friend posts something about you that makes you uncomfortable or you think is inappropriate, let them know. Likewise, you should stay open-minded if a friend approaches you about something you posted. Children should report any instances of cyberbullying.

**6 Enable multi-factor authentication (MFA) and check your account settings:** MFA requires anyone logging into an account to prove their identity multiple ways (e.g. username, password, one-time verification code). Check your account settings on each social media platform to determine what access permissions you want to allow or restrict.

Sources: Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency. *Social Media Guide*. [https://www.cisa.gov/sites/default/files/publications/Social%20Media%20Guide\\_0.pdf](https://www.cisa.gov/sites/default/files/publications/Social%20Media%20Guide_0.pdf), Federal Trade Commission. *That friend request could be from a scammer*. Oct. 2023. <https://consumer.ftc.gov/consumer-alerts/2023/10/friend-request-could-be-scammer>, National Cybersecurity Alliance. *Share with Care: Staying Safe on Social Media*. Apr. 2023. <https://staysafeonline.org/resources/social-medial>



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# Meet our March Actor of Fairview-Carmella!

Carmella is 9 years old and in 4th grade. She got into musical theatre after seeing her sister perform in *The Jungle Book Kids*.

“I saw how much fun she had there” and wanted to give it a try.

She is currently in rehearsals for *Miss Nelson is Missing*, which will be her seventh production at NTPA.

“I play Mr. Blandsford in *Miss Nelson is Missing*. This is my first male role, so I am looking forward to a new challenge. I also like being in charge, so a principal is the perfect fit. My favorite role so far has been Scat Cat in *Aristocats Kids*, because it had really fun dances and a lot of them.”

When not at the theatre, she enjoys dancing at Allen Dance Studio or drawing.

Come see Carmella and the rest of the *Miss Nelson is Missing* cast performing at North Texas Performing Arts-Fairview Youth Theatre March 21-24.

“ I also like being in charge, so a principal is the perfect fit.”



## HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION EVENT

Bring a valid driver's license with a Fairview address or a Town-issued water bill

9 a.m. – 1 p.m.  
 Saturday, April 13  
 Public Works Yard  
 500 S. State Highway 5

## Acceptable Household Items for Disposal

(\*Liquids and pourable items must be dropped off in a container)

- Acid-Based Cleaners
- Acid-Based, Lithium and Rechargeable Batteries
- Aerosol Cans
- Ammonia-Based Cleaners
- Antifreeze
- Car Batteries and Battery Acid
- Car Wax and Cleaners
- Cleaning Solvents
- Drain And Oven Cleaners
- Fats, Oils and Grease
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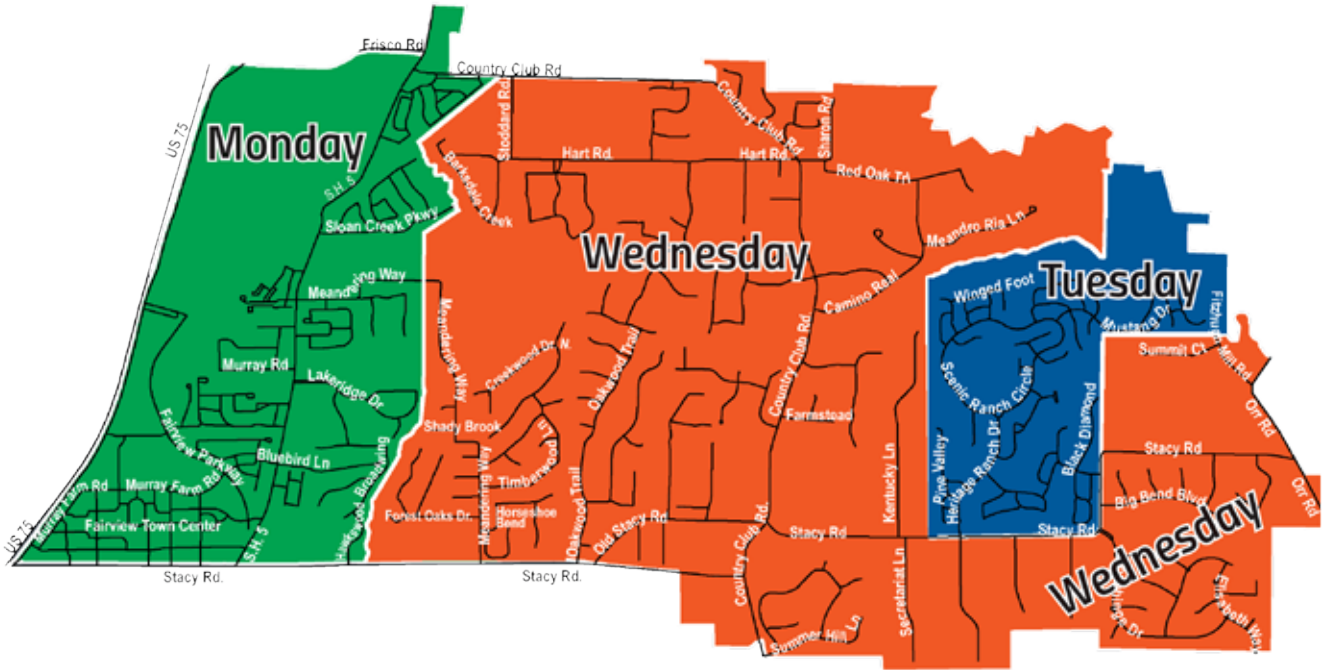
# The ABCs of Weekly Trash and Recycling Collection

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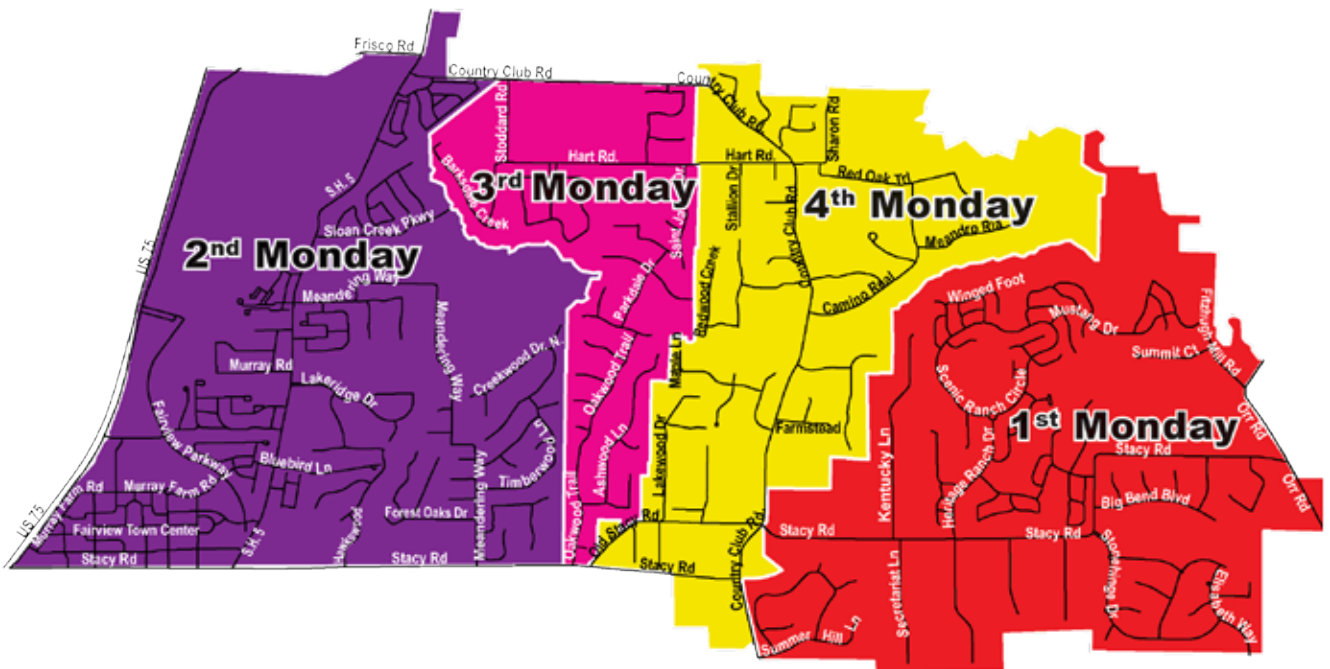
- a. **Arrange** carts carefully with handles facing your home, lids open toward the street, and 2 feet of space between carts and other objects.
- b. **Be** punctual by placing carts at the edge of the street no earlier than 5 p.m. the day before collection and no later than 7 a.m. on collection day. Roll carts back to your house by 6 a.m. the day after pickup.
- c. **Close** lids without clamping or locking. If your trash cart is full, purchase a pink tag for \$2.14 from the Town. Only bags with Town-issued tags will be collected outside carts (except during bulk pickup week).

**Did You Know?** Empty cardboard boxes don't have to go to the landfill. If they're clean and dry, they can be cut down and folded flat to fit inside your recycling cart.

## Trash & Recycling Collection Map



## Brush & Bulk Collection Map



# 2024 Collection Calendar

■ Holiday

## JANUARY

	S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1st Mon.		1	2	3	4	5	6
2nd Mon.	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
3rd Mon.	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
4th Mon.	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
	28	29	30	31			

## FEBRUARY

	S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1st Mon.					1	2	3
2nd Mon.	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
3rd Mon.	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
4th Mon.	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	25	26	27	28	29		

## MARCH

	S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1st Mon.						1	2
2nd Mon.	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
3rd Mon.	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
4th Mon.	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
	31						

## APRIL

	S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1st Mon.		1	2	3	4	5	6
2nd Mon.	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
3rd Mon.	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
4th Mon.	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
	28	29	30				

## MAY

	S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1st Mon.				1	2	3	4
2nd Mon.	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
3rd Mon.	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
4th Mon.	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
	26	27	28	29	30	31	

## JUNE

	S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1st Mon.							1
2nd Mon.	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
3rd Mon.	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
4th Mon.	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
	30						

## JULY

	S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1st Mon.		1	2	3	4	5	6
2nd Mon.	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
3rd Mon.	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
4th Mon.	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
	28	29	30	31			

## AUGUST

	S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1st Mon.					1	2	3
2nd Mon.	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
3rd Mon.	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
4th Mon.	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	25	26	27	28	29	30	31

## SEPTEMBER

	S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1st Mon.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
2nd Mon.	8	9	10	11		13	14
3rd Mon.	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
4th Mon.	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
	29	30					

## OCTOBER

	S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1st Mon.			1	2	3	4	5
2nd Mon.	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
3rd Mon.	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
4th Mon.	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
	27	28	29	30	31		

## NOVEMBER

	S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1st Mon.						1	2
2nd Mon.	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
3rd Mon.	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
4th Mon.	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
	24	25	26	27	28	29	30

## DECEMBER

	S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1st Mon.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
2nd Mon.	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
3rd Mon.	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
4th Mon.	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
	29	30	31				

## Solid Waste Collection Tips

### Trash and Recycling

- **Trash** should be contained inside securely tied plastic bags, and all bags should fit inside your solid blue cart with the lid closed.
- **Pink tags** may be purchased from the town for \$2.14 each and placed on every excess bag that doesn't fit inside your trash cart. Other than during bulk collection weeks, bags sitting outside of carts without a town-issued tag won't be collected.
- **Recyclables** should be placed loose, without bagging, into recycling carts, which are either solid green or dark blue with a lighter blue lid.
- Lids on trash and recycling carts may not be clamped or locked.

- Place carts with handles facing the house and lids opening toward the street or alley.
- Place carts 2 to 3 feet apart and away from each other or any objects that may obstruct the pickup arm.
- Carts should be placed at the curb by 7 a.m. on collection day and no earlier than 5 p.m. the prior day. Carts must be rolled away from the street after trash is collected – no later than 6 a.m. the following day.
- Hazardous waste cannot be picked up by Republic Services.

### Bulk and Brush

- Brush and bulk waste may be

collected on any day during your brush and bulk pickup week.

- Bulk and brush should be cut into 4-foot lengths and neatly stacked.
- Up to 12 cubic yards of brush and bulk are allowed per address in a month.
- A single cubic yard is 3 feet long, 3 feet wide and 3 feet tall.
- Call Republic Services at 972-422-2341 to schedule an unusually large pickup and get a cost quote for the special pickup.

To report a damaged cart or request collection for a missed pickup, contact Republic Services at 972-422-2341 or RepublicServices.com/Customer-Support.

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