

## Examples of City Garbage Programs

### City of Apple Valley

Apple Valley licenses private firms to provide garbage collection services to residents. The City is divided into five (5) hauling zones. For collection, the City is divided into zones and more than one hauler may have customers in each zone. The licensed contractors must serve the customers within each zone on an assigned day, so several haulers may be on a particular street on that day. Only one day each week is “garbage day” for all the houses in that zone. Each household has a separate contract with their garbage hauler. Eight (8) companies are licensed for service in the City; seven (7) provide residential garbage service.

The haulers supply the carts.

Price information is not available.

### City of Bloomington

All residential garbage and recycling collection is coordinated through the City. Garbage service is provided by a City-contracted consortium (Bloomington Haulers, LLC).

The garbage companies supply the carts.

Fees are charged on the City Utility Bill. The fee includes both garbage and recycling collection.

Cart Size	Quarterly Rate*
35 gallon every week	\$36.26
65 gallon every week	\$48.48
95 gallon every week	\$60.57
Overflow Bag	\$5.34/bag

Collection of special bulky items and electronic waste is available on an on-call basis. Prices are quoted when the pickup is scheduled and ranges between \$31.99 and 53.32 per item.

Yard waste collection is available by subscription. Weather permitting, full-season yard waste collection is offered April 12 through November 26. Full season subscription is \$84.78 per year. Up to 20 bags or bundles of brush can be placed next to the cart each week with the subscription. The on-call yard waste price is \$4.26/bag.

Bloomington has a Citywide Curbside Cleanup once each year. Residents who pay the annual cost for the program (\$4.42 per month) are eligible to participate in the cleanup. Residents place unwanted items at the curb in four piles (large metal, appliances, brush and general junk) and the items are collected on the scheduled collection day.

### City of Eagan

The City has open collection for their garbage and recycling services. The city licenses several companies to collect garbage and recycling for residents. Residents may choose from any of the haulers licensed in the city for garbage and recycling services. There are currently seven haulers licensed to provide residential service in Eagan. Pricing for weekly service and for large item or yard waste pickup is set by the individual haulers.

The City has promoted the Neighborhood Block Rate Program. Residents on the same street, cul-de-sac or neighborhood can decide to have the same hauler collect their garbage and recyclables for the entire neighborhood. The Neighborhood Block Rate Program is a voluntary program that allows neighborhoods to obtain:

- decreased noise levels
- increased traffic safety
- decreased wear and tear on city streets, therefore reducing the assessments to your property for roadway repairs
- decreased potential for air and noise pollution

### City of Maplewood

Garbage and Yard Waste Collection is provided under a City contract with Republic Services for all single-family properties up to four units. Townhomes and manufactured homes can opt into the program. Garbage is collected once a week on each neighborhood's designated garbage and recycling collection day (Monday through Friday). Recycling is provided through a City contract with Tennis and covers all residential units in the City.

The City owns the garbage carts for the residential garbage service. Republic Services manages the carts.

Republic Services does the billing. The fee includes only garbage services. Recycling services are billed on property taxes as an annual fee.

Cart Size	Quarterly Rate*
20 gallon every other week	\$37.35
20 gallon every week	\$39.00
35 gallon every week	\$42.15
65 gallon every week	\$60.00
95 gallon every week	\$75.00

\*Maplewood residents are billed bimonthly. The quarterly rate was calculated from the bimonthly rate. A \$0.75 per month Cart Fee is also added to each bill.

Every other week (EOW) service, with a 20-gallon cart, is available for residents. A form is required by the City for EOW service, which lists the current service level, usual frequency of extra bags, and the reason for the EOW request. The City of Maplewood has sole discretion to grant or not grant the request. Regular verification of proper disposal of garbage and waste is made at the property. Evidence of improper garbage or waste storage, collection, or disposal is reason for the City to immediately require every week garbage pickup.

It is possible to opt-out of the Maplewood garbage program. Exemptions from service by the city-contracted hauler can only occur in accordance with the Maplewood Solid Waste Management Ordinance. The ordinance states that the city has sole discretion to allow an exemption after verification that a property owner has an alternate, environmentally responsible, method of disposing of their garbage. Alternate methods include written permission to dispose of garbage in a neighbor's or family

member’s garbage cart (shared service), use of a commercial dumpster owned or leased for use by a commercial property owned or leased by the applicant, the applicant may be an employee who has written permission to use the employer’s commercial dumpster, or the applicant could self-haul garbage to a state permitted solid waste facility. Alternate service providers from the city-contracted garbage hauler will not be approved for opt-out purposes. There is a \$35.00 fee for the application. Regular verification of proper disposal of garbage and waste is made at the property for which the request for special service location is made. Evidence of improper garbage or waste storage, collection or disposal is reason to immediately require standard garbage set-out procedures.

Republic Services provides collection of appliances, electronics, and other bulky items at a cost of \$10 to \$35 (plus tax), depending on the item.

Yard waste collection is available by subscription. The 2021 subscription cost is \$124.80 (no tax). Yard waste is collected in a 95-gallon yard waste cart once a week from April 1 through the end of November (weather permitting) and up to five compostable bags of yard waste per week can be placed outside of the cart for pickup.

The City hosts a Spring Clean Up annually where residents can drop off bulky items for free or a fee at Aldrich Arena.

City of Minneapolis

The City and a City-contracted hauler (Minneapolis Refuse, Inc) provide all collection services. Services include:

- Garbage (weekly)
- Recycling (every other week)
- Organics recycling (weekly)
- Large items (weekly for burnable items/ every other week for items that are 50% or more metal)
- Yard waste (weekly, mid-April through mid-November)
- Vouchers to bring extra garbage, large items, scrap metal, building materials and tires to the city-owned South Transfer Station.
- Clean City programs such as graffiti removal, street litter containers, Adopt-a-Block, etc.

The City owns and manages the garbage, recycling, and organics carts. Yard waste is collected in paper bags and bundled brush is collected.

The City bills for services and charges a base fee of \$26.46 per dwelling unit per month, of which \$15.08 is taxable. Small carts are an additional \$2.00 per month; large carts are an additional \$5.00 per cart.

Cart Size	Quarterly Rate*
32 gallon every week	\$81.24 (includes all services)
95 gallon every week	\$90.24 (includes all services)

City of Richfield

Richfield contracts for collection of garbage, recyclables, yard waste, organic materials, and bulky items with three haulers. The City bills for the weekly services. Garbage, organics, and yard waste (in season) are collected weekly. Recyclables are collected biweekly. The City bills quarterly for services. Four levels of garbage service are available: 95 gallon every week, 65 gallon every week, 35 gallon every week and 35 gallon every other week.

Cart Size	Quarterly Rate*
35 gallon every other week	\$28.17
35 gallon every week	\$35.70
65 gallon every week	\$45.09
95 gallon every week	\$54.48

\*Includes taxes and fees

Extra bags, overfilled carts (unclosed lids) and items adjacent to the cart result in an additional fee.

Collection of recyclables is a required service and is separately billed depending on cart size. Collection of organics is optional and costs \$17.52 per quarter. Rebates to customers of recycling and organics costs may occur as a result of recyclables commodity adjustments or funding from Hennepin County.

Bulky item collection is available from the hauler and is paid for when pickup is scheduled.

Collection of yard waste is either \$100 per year or \$5 per bag.

The City requires all eligible residents to participate. It is expected that residents have means to properly dispose of garbage, recycling and yard waste materials, even if they do not participate in the program. An application is required in order to process the request to not participate. Sharing garbage service is not an approved alternative collection method.

### City of St Louis Park

St. Louis Park provides curbside collection of garbage, recycling, organics, and yard waste for single-family residential properties, which includes multiplex housing with two to four units. Five to eight-unit buildings have the option to opt-in to the City service. The City contracts with Waste Management to provide all services.

Extra bags of garbage, outside the cart, will be collected if each bag has a \$3 extra garbage sticker affixed to it. Stickers can be purchased at the City Hall.

Organics are collected weekly in a separate cart.

Appliance, electronics and bulky item collections services are available from Waste Management for pre-paid fees.

Yard waste collection is seasonal and is usually weekly. Yard waste is collected in the resident's reusable container, or in certified compostable bags. Bundled brush is also collected. Yard wastes can also be dropped off at the City's brush site.

The City does the billing for all except appliances and large items. Services included in the fee are use of city-owned garbage, recycling and organics carts, collection of garbage that fits inside the cart, collection of recyclables that fit inside the cart along with extra recyclables placed in paper bags or boxes next to

the cart, collection of organics that fit inside the cart, and collection of yard waste from April to November.

Cart Size	Quarterly Rate
30 gallon every other week	\$42.30 (includes all services)
30 Gallon every week	\$60.36 (includes all services)
60 gallon every week	\$85.92 (includes all services)
90 gallon every week	\$131.69 (includes all services)
120 gallon every week	\$209.21 (includes all services)

<sup>1</sup> Every other week service is only available to customers with City Organics collection service or who back-yard compost.