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**RECYCLING AND
GARBAGE SERVICES**

2022 RESIDENT GUIDE



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Recycling and Garbage Services

The City of Saint Paul contracts with Eureka Recycling and the St. Paul Haulers, LLC, to provide Citywide recycling and garbage services to residential properties.

Saint Paul's recycling and garbage programs provide outreach, education, and resources for residents to reduce, reuse, recycle, and safely dispose of materials to promote a sustainable and healthy community. Having residents participate helps Saint Paul track and meet our community's waste diversion goals and improves the livability and safety of our neighborhoods.



Residents living in 1-4 unit properties have recycling collected weekly in blue recycling carts. Garbage is collected weekly or every other week in gray garbage carts.

Where do my recycling and garbage go?

Recyclables are processed and sorted at Eureka Recycling's Material Recovery Facility and transported to markets in the Twin Cities metro area, the Midwest, and North America to be made into new consumer products.

Garbage collected in the City of Saint Paul goes to the Ramsey/ Washington Recycling & Energy Center (R&E Center). The material is processed to produce fuel used by Xcel Energy to power homes.

Recycling Guide



DO NOT PUT RECYCLABLES IN PLASTIC BAGS



PLASTIC CONTAINERS

**Empty and rinse.
Replace caps.**

Bottles and jugs:

- Water, soda, and juice bottles
- Milk and juice jugs
- Shampoo, soap, and lotion bottles

Cups and containers:

- Pudding and fruit cups
- Cottage cheese and yogurt tubs
- Clear plastic produce and clamshell containers

NO: #3, #4, #6, #7 or black plastic, plastic bags, plastic film/wrappers, Styrofoam™, or containers larger than 3 gallons



METALS

Empty and rinse.

- Food and beverage cans
- Aluminum foil and trays
- Pie tins and decorative tins smaller than 3 gallons
- Empty aerosol cans

NO: Paint or spray paint cans, propane cylinders, or helium tanks



PAPER AND BOXES

Flatten boxes.

- Office paper, magazines, newspaper, and books
- Corrugated cardboard
- Cereal, toiletry, and shoe boxes
- Cardboard pizza delivery boxes

NO: Shredded paper, paper egg cartons, paper plates, napkins, or frozen food boxes



GLASS

**Empty and rinse.
Remove caps.**

- Food and beverage bottles and jars

NO: Drinking glasses, window glass, ceramics, or mirrors



CARTONS

**Empty and rinse.
Replace caps.**

- Milk cartons
- Juice boxes
- Soup, broth, and wine cartons

NO: Paper or Styrofoam™ egg cartons or ice cream cartons

Keep These Out of Recycling and Garbage Carts

These items should not be put in recycling or garbage carts. They can be harmful to the environment when not handled properly, cause damage to equipment, and injure employees at waste processing facilities. Options for proper disposal are listed below.



NO BATTERIES



**NO HAZARDOUS
WASTE**



**NO PROPANE
TANKS**



**NO ELECTRONIC
WASTE**



**NO
CONSTRUCTION
MATERIALS**



NO MEDICINE



**NO SHARPS
OR NEEDLES**

No Household Hazardous Waste, Batteries, and Propane Tanks

These items are dangerous because they can start fires in trucks or processing facilities. Find a drop-off location at RamseyRecycles.com/HHW or for additional battery disposal locations, visit call2recycle.org/locator.

No Electronic Waste

It is illegal to dispose of electronic waste, such as TV's, computers, and cell phones in the recycling or garbage cart because many of these items contain hazardous materials. These items may qualify for collection under the City's Bulky Item Collection Program. For more information contact your garbage hauler, drop electronic items off at a Citywide Drop-Off event, or visit RamseyRecycles.com/AtoZ.

No Construction Materials

Construction, demolition, or building materials cannot be put in your recycling or garbage cart. Find locations for disposal at RamseyRecycles.com/AtoZ.

No Medicine

Safely dispose of expired and unused medication for free at the Ramsey County Law Enforcement Center. Protect our environment by never flushing medication down the drain or disposing of it in the garbage. Find information at RamseyRecycles.com/Medicine.

No Sharps and Needles

To properly dispose of sharps, syringes, or needles put them in a plastic bottle or container and secure it with a lid. You can drop off the containers of sharps or needles at a Ramsey County Household Hazardous Waste site.

⚠️ Keep These Out of Recycling Carts

Recycle Smart! These items are often put in the residential recycling carts by mistake. These items may be safe to put in the garbage, but you can reduce waste by choosing to drop them off for recycling.



NO PLASTIC BAGS



NO CORDS OR TANGLERS



NO SCRAP METAL

No Plastic Bags, Bubble Wrap, or Film

Do not place any plastic bags, bubble wrap, or film in your recycling cart. Avoid using plastic bags by bringing reusable bags to the store. Clean and dry plastic bags and film can be dropped off at grocery or retail stores for recycling. To find a drop-off location, visit plasticfilmrecycling.org.

No Cords and Tangles

Do not place cords, string lights, or other tangle materials in your recycling cart. These can damage the sorting equipment. Place these items in your garbage cart, or find other drop off locations at RamseyRecycles.com/AtoZ.

No Scrap Metal

Scrap metal items such as pipes and fencing cannot be put in recycling or garbage carts. Scrap metal items such as pots, pans, or hangers cannot be placed in your recycling cart. Find recycling drop-off options at RamseyRecycles.com/AtoZ.



Plastic bags and other tangles get wrapped around equipment at recycling facilities and workers spend hours every day cutting them loose. This is both dangerous and time-consuming.

Correct Cart Placement

- On your scheduled collection day, place carts at the edge of the alley or curb by 6 a.m. with the cart openings facing the alley/street.
- Do not place carts in the street. Keep them on a driveway or boulevard no more than three feet from the curb. Carts in the street interfere with snow plowing.
- Leave two feet of space between the carts and other objects such as trees, fences, garages, and snow piles.
- All materials must fit inside the carts, with the lids closed.
- Remove carts from the curb within 24 hours after your collection.
- Prevent carts from freezing by clearing snow and ice from around them.
- If you have alley collection, make sure house numbers are posted and visible on your garage or the back of your house.

Changing Your Cart Size

To change your recycling cart size, contact Eureka Recycling at 651-222-7678.

Residents can change their garbage cart size one time per calendar year at no additional cost. Additional cart changes are \$25.00. Contact your garbage hauler to request a cart change. If you are a tenant, contact your landlord. Find your hauler at stpaul.gov/collectionmap.

Damaged Carts

Recycling and garbage carts are the property of the City of Saint Paul. Do not paint or alter your carts. If your carts are damaged because of animals, accidents, or regular wear and tear, they will be repaired or replaced at no charge. Contact Eureka Recycling or your garbage hauler to report a damaged cart.

Using Your Carts

- Put the carts out by 6 a.m. on your collection day.
- Place the carts so the front (away from handle) is facing outwards at the edge of the alley or curb.
- Do not place the carts in the street.



To find your hauler information or collection day, visit stpaul.gov/collectionmap.

2022 COLLECTION CALENDAR

Residential recycling is collected weekly; garbage is collected weekly except for those that have selected every other week service.

- Every other week Garbage
- Tree Collection
- Holiday (No Collection)
- Delayed Collection Day

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Collection Information

Find Your Collection Day

Residents living in 1-4 unit properties have recycling collected weekly in blue recycling carts. Garbage is collected weekly or every other week in gray garbage carts. Most Saint Paul neighborhoods receive recycling and garbage collection services on the same day. To find your collection day, as well as your hauler's contact information, visit stpaul.gov/collectionmap.

Missed Collection

If your recycling or garbage cart(s) were set out correctly by 6 a.m., but not collected by 8 p.m. on your collection day, please call Eureka Recycling or your garbage hauler by noon the following day to report a missed collection. Find contact information on page 19.

2022 Holiday Collection

In 2022, regular recycling and garbage collection will be delayed one day if it falls on or after the following holidays:

- Memorial Day
- 4th of July
- Labor Day
- Thanksgiving Day

Education Tags

If your hauler was unable to collect your recycling or garbage, they may leave an education tag on your cart. If you receive a tag, please correct the problem by your next collection day.



Bulky Item Service

Bulky items are things that are too large to fit inside a cart or are prohibited by law from being placed in your cart. Bulky items include mattresses, furniture, appliances, and electronics.



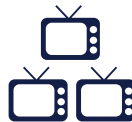
Bulky Item Collection Steps

1. Contact your garbage hauler to schedule collection.

- The scheduled collection day may be different than your normal garbage collection day.
- All pick-ups will be scheduled within seven days of your request.



Small Carts
2 bulky items
included per year



**Medium/
Large Carts**
3 bulky items
included per year

2. Place your bulky item(s) out for collection.

- Do not place the bulky item(s) in your garbage cart.
- Place bulky item(s) beside your garbage cart, following your garbage hauler's instructions.
- Bulky item(s) must not have any food or liquids in them.

Additional bulky items can be collected for a fee. Contact your garbage hauler to schedule a pick up. Price lists can be found at stpaul.gov/bulky.

No construction or demolition materials are accepted as a bulky item. To find disposal options for these materials visit RamseyRecycles.com/AtoZ.

Each year, one live holiday tree can be collected per residential property unit between January 2-15 on your regular collection day at no additional cost. Check the size requirements with your garbage hauler at stpaul.gov/holidaydisposal.



Service Holds & Walk-up Service

Service Holds

Temporary Service Holds: Contact your Garbage Hauler

During temporary absences, residents can request a suspension of garbage service. Holds can be placed twice per calendar year for a minimum of four weeks up to a yearly total of 26 weeks.

Requests must be made to your garbage hauler at least two weeks prior to the start of the Temporary Service Hold. If the service hold goes into effect mid-billing cycle, you will see a credit on your next bill after your garbage service resumes. To learn more and to access forms, visit stpaul.gov/servicehold.

Unoccupied Dwelling Unit: Contact the City

Contact the City to register your property as unoccupied if you have a unit that will be vacant for an extended period of time. Garbage haulers cannot process these requests. To learn more and to access forms, visit stpaul.gov/servicehold.

No service hold requests are needed for recycling service.

Walk-Up Service

If you have physical limitations which prevent you from taking your cart to the curb or alley, you can request walk-up service from your garbage hauler at no additional cost. Request forms are available on our website at stpaul.gov/walkup.

If you do not meet the criteria as a less able-bodied individual, you can request walk-up service for an additional fee:

- **Less than 100 feet: \$25/month, plus tax**
- **More than 100 feet: \$50/month, plus tax**

Walk-up service is also available for recycling from Eureka Recycling. You can set up service by calling Eureka Recycling at 651-222-7678.





Annual Fees & Garbage Rates

The residential recycling and garbage programs each have an annual fee that is collected with your Ramsey County property taxes. These fees cover the cost of carts, program administration, clean-up programs, education, and outreach.

The 2022 annual recycling fee is \$60.24 per unit for 1-3-unit properties and \$38.16 per unit for properties with 4 units and more.

The 2022 annual garbage fee is \$28.08 per unit for 1-4-unit properties.

2022 Garbage Service Options and Prices

Your quarterly garbage service bill is mailed by your garbage hauler and includes all county and state taxes.



Cart Size	Collection Frequency	# of Included Bulky Items	Quarterly Rate
Small	Every other week	2	\$59.30
Small	Weekly	2	\$69.81
Medium	Weekly	3	\$96.56
Large	Weekly	3	\$106.81

Garbage Billing

Quarterly Garbage Service Billing Process

Bills Sent

Garbage haulers mail out invoices on the 5th day of January, April, July, and October. The invoice covers the next three months (e.g. the January bill is for service in January, February, March).

Payment Due

Payment is due the 25th of the billing month. Late charges will be applied monthly to unpaid bills.

City Assessment

At the end of the billing period, past due accounts are sent from the garbage haulers to the City for payment. The City then collects the past due amount from residents through the Ramsey County Property Tax system. Any garbage payments from the past due service period must be paid to the City at stpaul.gov/assessment.

Change in Property Ownership

Both recycling and garbage carts should remain at the property. Contact your garbage hauler after the sale has taken place to notify them of the ownership change. You can find your hauler at stpaul.gov/collectionmap. You may need to provide proof of sale (i.e. a copy of the deed) to confirm new ownership. For more information visit stpaul.gov/garbage.

There is no need to cancel or set up service for recycling. If there is no recycling cart, or you would like to change the size of the cart, contact Eureka Recycling at 651-222-7678.

BILLING PROCESS

BILLED	DUE
JAN 5	JAN 25
APR 5	APR 25
JUL 5	JUL 25
OCT 5	OCT 25

Reduce, Reuse...



Creating Low-Waste Events

Resources are available to help organizers of community events, block parties, or small gatherings reduce waste and recycle more. Waste Management Plans are needed for events which require a City permit. Find details at stpaul.gov/eventrecycling.

Waste Management Guide

This guide provides tips and resources to assist with planning and implementing a low-waste event.

Container Lending Program

Recycling and organics containers are available for event organizers to borrow at no charge. Complete the online reservation form at stpaul.gov/eventrecycling.

Citywide Drop-Off Events

Saint Paul partners with local district councils to organize annual citywide drop-off events. Residents can properly dispose of large items and recycle materials not collected in the residential collection program. For information, visit stpaul.gov/drop-offs.

Fix-It Clinics

Attend a Fix-it Clinic to learn how to repair small household appliances, clothing, and more! Volunteers help residents troubleshoot problems and fix the items. Find details at RamseyRecycles.com/FixItClinics.

... and Recycle!

Recycling Drop-Off Center

Saint Paul residents and small businesses can bring their recyclable materials to the free Recycling Drop-Off Center. See a list of accepted materials on page 3.

309 Como Avenue, Saint Paul
Monday - Friday 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Saturday 8 a.m. - noon

Free Cardboard Drop-Off

All cardboard must be flattened and fit loosely in your recycling cart. If you have large amounts of cardboard, you can bring it to the Recycling Drop-off Center located at 309 Como Avenue in Saint Paul.

A to Z Recycling and Disposal Guide

Use Ramsey County's online resource list to learn what, how, and where to recycle and properly dispose of items. Visit **RamseyRecycles.com/AtoZ** or call their 24/7 hotline at 651-633-EASY (3279). Interpretive services are available.



Come Clean! Program
Help clean, beautify, and improve your neighborhood by reducing and cleaning up litter. Any individual or group can adopt a specific block(s), adopt a public trash container, or organize a one-time litter clean up event with assistance from the City. To learn more, call 651-266-6199 or visit **stpaul.gov/come-clean**.



Residential Yard Waste

Collection Service

Optional yard waste collection is available to residents for an additional fee each year from April 15 – November 30. Tree stumps, dirt, and rocks are not accepted in yard waste collection. There are two service options:

Subscription Service

Residents can contact their garbage hauler and sign up to receive a yard waste cart. The cart, along with up to 8 compostable bags, can be collected each week. The annual fee is \$120.

Please note: If you had a yard waste subscription in 2021, the annual subscription service auto-renews in January. Please contact your garbage hauler for service changes or questions.

Non-Subscription Service

Residents can set out a compostable bag or bundle of yard waste near their garbage cart for a fee of \$3 per bag/bundle, plus tax. Contact your garbage hauler to request this garbage service at least 48 hours before your regular collection day.



Yard Waste Drop-Off Sites

Saint Paul residents can bring yard waste and food scraps (organics) to Ramsey County yard waste sites for free. Photo ID required. Find information at [RamseyRecycles.com/YardWaste](https://www.ramseynorecycling.com/YardWaste).

Food Scraps (Organics)

Uneaten leftovers, forgotten produce, spoiled food, food scraps, and other organic material account for more than 30% of residential garbage. Reducing food waste saves money and reduces pollution, learn more at stpaul.gov/foodwaste.

The best way to dispose of food scraps and other organic materials is to recycle them through composting in your backyard or at a drop-off location. To find information about backyard composting, a full list of accepted household organic materials, and collection sites, visit stpaul.gov/organics.

Ramsey County offers a free food scraps starter kit for residents. The kit includes a small kitchen caddy, compostable bags, and helpful tips. Kits can be picked up at Ramsey County yard waste sites.

Accepted Household Organics for Drop-off

Food Scraps














- Fruits and Vegetables
- Meat, Seafood, and Bones
- Dairy Products
- Coffee Grounds

Soiled Paper

- Napkins
- Paper Towels
- Paper Egg Cartons
- Paper Coffee Filters

Products with BPI Label



		LEAVES & GRASS	TREES & SHRUBS	FOOD SCRAPS (ORGANICS)
COMMUNITY DROP-OFF SITES	Mac-Groveland Organics Site* Off Grand Ave. near Macalester St. <i>Sign up required. Visit macgrove.org.</i>			
	Como Park Organics Site 1149 Beulah Ln.			
	Highland Park Organics Site 800 Snelling Ave. S.			
RAMSEY COUNTY YARD WASTE SITES	Summit Hill 870 Pleasant Ave.			
	Battle Creek 389 Winthrop St. S.			
	Midway 1943 Pierce Butler Rt.			
	Frank and Sims 1150 Sims Ave.			

Household Hazardous Waste

If a container has the words “Caution,” “Warning,” “Danger,” or “Poison” on the label and still has product inside, it does not belong in the garbage or recycling. Use Ramsey County’s free household hazardous waste collection sites for safe disposal.

Ramsey County Year-Round Collection Site

Bay West, Inc. - 5 Empire Drive, Saint Paul

April - November Hours

Tuesday - Friday: 11 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Saturday: 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Sunday - Monday: Closed

December - March Hours

Friday: 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Saturday: 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Sunday - Thursday: Closed



Product Reuse Center

Choose to reuse when starting your next household project. Materials that are still in usable condition, like paints, automotive fluids, and household cleaners, are available for free at the Product Reuse Center. Same location and hours as the Collection Site.

Accepted Items

- Aerosol and Pressurized Containers
- All Batteries
- Automotive Fluids and Oil Filters
- Electrical Cords and Cell Phones
- Fluorescent Bulbs
- Household Products (cleaners, paints, and personal care products)
- Lawn and Garden Products
- Mercury Containing Items
- Needles and Syringes (sharps). *Must be empty.*

For a full list of accepted items and mobile collection site information, visit **[RamseyRecycles.com/HHW](https://www.ramseyrecycles.com/HHW)**.

Contact Us

Recycling

For service-related questions contact Eureka Recycling at 651-222-7678 or email at info@eurekarecycling.org.



Download the Eureka Recycling App!

Receive timely alerts and search what can and can't be recycled. Use this tool online at eurekarecycling.org or download the app by searching "Eureka Recycling" in the Apple or Google Play app store.

For additional waste reduction, recycling, and disposal information, contact Saint Paul's Recycling Program at 651-266-6199, email recyclingprogram@ci.stpaul.mn.us, or visit stpaul.gov/recycle.

Garbage

Call your garbage hauler for service and billing questions. To find your garbage hauler, visit stpaul.gov/garbagemap.

Advanced Disposal:	763-786-7233
Aspen Waste Systems:	612-884-8008
Gene's Disposal Service:	651-426-1224
Highland Sanitation:	651-458-0043
Republic Services:	651-286-4590
Waste Management:	763-784-8349

For additional garbage program related questions, contact Saint Paul's Garbage Program at 651-266-6101, email garbage@stpaul.gov, or visit stpaul.gov/garbage.

Ramsey County

For additional waste reduction, recycling, and disposal information, contact the Recycling & Disposal Hotline at 651-633-EASY (3279), (answered 24/7) or visit RamseyRecycles.com.



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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
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SAINT PAUL, MN 55102**



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Questions?

Information is available in 170 different languages. Call for interpreters.
Recycling: 651-222-7678 / Garbage: 651-266-6101

¿Preguntas?

Puede encontrar información disponible en Español en stpaul.gov/publicworks.
Solicite el servicio de intérpretes.
Reciclaje: 651-222-7678 / Basura: 651-266-6101

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Kev Sau Khoom Ua Dua Sv: 651-222-7678 / Khib Nyhiab: 651-266-6101

Su'aalo?

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