

Recycling EDITION



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What's Up with Recycling? | The Evolution of Curbside

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In the early 1990s, curbside recycling was introduced to Mount Prospect and other communities. Residents received small, open plastic bins for bottles, cans, and paper. In the early days of recycling, paper labels needed to be removed from bottles & cans, plastic windows cut out of paper products, and paper was required to be separated from the rest of the materials. Initial sorting was done by the recycler during pick up.

Then, in the early 2000s, recycling carts were introduced to municipal programs to make this process easier for residents and more efficient for recyclers. Due to automated trucks, sorting technology, and markets, residents were now allowed to put recyclables together in the cart on wheels with a lid, called *single-stream*. Once the materials were picked up at the curb, all sorting was done back at the company's Material Recovery Facility (MRF) by machines.

For several decades, U.S. recyclers exported about 68% of recyclables to China and other countries. Wishcycling, people putting materials in the cart that were not accepted by the recycler, caused bales of recyclables to be contaminated with garbage. As a result, in 2018 China instituted its Green Sword Policy restricting exports, especially mixed paper and low-grade plastics – and other countries followed China's lead.

Overnight, market prices dropped, and U.S. recyclers were left with materials they couldn't move and are having to upgrade their sorting facilities to produce clean bales of material streams. Even with its flaws, recycling is an industry that is not going away. The U.S. EPA set a goal to recycle 50% by 2030, and support technology efforts to create a circular economy.

Recycling is limited – sorting technologies and markets dictate the materials that can be sorted/reprocessed/ marketed. Just because something is made from glass, plastic, paper, or metal doesn't mean it can be recycled in your curbside program. Labels and numbers 1-7 on plastics are misleading. Just because a package or container states that it is *recyclable* doesn't mean that it can be recycled in the municipal program.

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RECYCLING

- ONLY THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WILL BE ACCEPTED

Put in Recycling Cart LOOSE, EMPTY, CLEAN AND DRY

GLASS
Bottles & Jars
No Metal Caps - Lids 3" and Larger OK

PLASTIC
Bottles - Caps On Preferred, Tubs, Jugs, Jars
No Bags, Film, or Foam

METAL
Steel & Aluminum
Depressurize Aerosols

MIXED PAPER & CARTONS
Flatten Boxes
NO Single-use Plates, Cups, Napkins

CONTAMINANTS - DON'T Put in Recycling Cart!

✗ NO Batteries, Electronics or Sharps

✗ NO Plastic Bags, Wrap Single-Use Cups or Styrofoam #6 plastics

✗ NO Food, Liquids, Diapers or Shredded Paper






✗ NO Clothing or Shoes

✗ NO Hoses, String Lights, Cords or Hangers

• For more information, visit our web site, www.mountprospect.org/solidwaste or call 947/670-5640.
 • Plastic bags are not accepted in your recycling cart. They will contaminate the recycling process.
 • Bins must be placed out before 6:30 a.m. on your collection day and removed from the curbside the day they are serviced.
 • If you place the wrong items in your recycling cart it may not be collected.

Most Common Contaminants

KEEP THESE COMMON CONTAMINANTS OUT OF YOUR RECYCLING CART

 <p>Plastic bags, film/ sheeting, packaging <i>(do not bag your recyclables)</i></p>	 <p>Food waste & liquids</p>	 <p>Electronics & small appliances</p>	 <p>Textiles <i>(bedding, carpet, etc.)</i></p>	 <p>Hoses, extension cords & holiday lights</p>
 <p>Paper napkins, plates, cups & tissues</p>	 <p>Polystyrene foam <i>(foam and plastic containers)</i></p>	 <p>Wet cardboard <i>(do not place cardboard outside the cart when it rains/snows)</i></p>	 <p>Bio-hazardous waste and diapers</p>	 <p>Hazardous waste</p>

What can you do to help prevent recycling contamination?

- Check what you can put in your cart. Always look for a recycling label.
- Only include acceptable items in your recycling cart.
- Clean, empty and dry all your recyclable containers.
- Keep your recyclables loose. NO PLASTIC BAGS!
- Call or email Public Works if you have any questions.

Recycling Facts

How much does the Single Family Refuse and Recycling program cost per household? \$262.68 (2022 rate).

How do I dispose of glass doors, mirrors, etc.? Cover the glass surface with duct tape (tape across the glass, this will help keep the pieces in place).

How do I dispose of toilets? To dispose of a toilet, the tank and bowl need to be separated. One-piece toilets need to be broken up or placed inside the cart.

Where does our recycling go? Recycling is taken to Groot's Recycling material processing facility in Elk Grove Village.

Where does our garbage go? Waste generated from Mount Prospect residential properties is currently being processed at the Winnebago Landfill Company (in Winnebago County, Illinois), which is privately owned by Rock River Environmental Services.

Recycle Coach

Residents can access Recycle Coach from their desktop computers, mobile devices, or through digital assistants like Amazon Alexa and Google Home. By leveraging the power of voice technology, the platform makes it easy for people to get local disposal information for thousands of household items when they need it. And the best part, **it's absolutely free.**

With Recycle Coach, residents can:

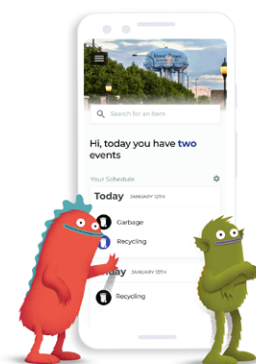
- Stay organized with custom curbside collection and events calendars
- Receive collection reminders, real-time updates on service disruptions and schedule changes due to holidays
- Become recycling experts with a comprehensive *What Goes Where?* search tool, including local disposal information and collection requirements for common and uncommon items
- Take the *What Type of Recycler Are You?* quiz for useful recycling tips and tricks

Become a better recycler today by downloading the Recycle Coach app for free at the iTunes Store and Google Play or you can access the Recycle Coach widget on the village's website.

About Recycle Coach

Recycle Coach is a technology company with deep roots in public and private waste management services. The company develops a comprehensive digital solution that optimizes collection, waste, and recycling programs. It connects residents with local disposal information on desktop, mobile, or through digital assistants.

Serving over 3,000 communities across the U.S., Canada, Australia, and New Zealand, Recycle Coach strives to make the world a greener place by making it easier for people to practice waste mindfulness.



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collection again.**

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your app store today!





Plastic Bag and Film Packaging Recycling

The Village of Mount Prospect is partnering with Trex Company to offer residents two locations for plastic bag collection drop-off. When residents bring their unwanted plastic materials to Trex drop-off locations, not only are they helping to keep thousands of pounds of waste out of landfills, they are also helping Trex create beautiful and environmentally responsible outdoor products.

This recycling option is especially important since these materials ARE NOT ACCEPTED in the Village's curbside recycling program. The materials contaminate other recycling, which means if you place these items in your recycling bin, it will cause the entire contents to go to the landfill and not be recycled.

All material brought to the drop-off locations must be **clean and dry**.

The Village also encourages residents to continue dropping-off plastic bags and film packaging at participating Trex recycling partner locations including: Jewel Osco, Mariano's Fresh Market, Meijer, and Target.

The following materials will be accepted at both drop-off locations:

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| Newspaper sleeves | Produce bags |
| Bread bags | Dry cleaning bags |
| Product wrap | Plastic grocery bags |
| Cereal liners | Case overwrap |
| Food storage bags | Air pillows used in packaging |
| Ice bags | Salt bags |

Collection Sites

PUBLIC WORKS FACILITY
1700 West Central Road
Available 24/7 at the west end of the parking lot

VILLAGE HALL
50 South Emerson Street
M-F | 8:30am-5:00pm

For more information, please visit the village website or contact the Public Works Department at 847.870.5640.



Textile Recycling

CURBSIDE COLLECTION OF CLOTHING

Mount Prospect, in partnership with Simple Recycling, now offers a convenient collection program that will help reduce the harmful environmental impact of textile waste. The free textile collection service aims to forge long-lasting benefits for the environment, people and communities alike.

As of April 1, 2022, pick-ups must be scheduled online at www.simplerecycling.com or by calling 866.835.5668. Orange bags are no longer required. Textiles can be in any clean paper or plastic bag or box. Place bags or boxes by your front door on your pickup day.

According to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), 85% of all clothing ends up in the landfill with only 15% being donated. Proactive efforts to recycle clothing, shoes, and accessories today can have the same impact as removing millions of cars from the nation's

roads. In addition, when recycled or reused, these items help reduce greenhouse gases more than recycling glass, plastics, and yard trimmings.

For those residents who traditionally donate clothing to charities, the Village and Simple Recycling encourage them to continue to do so.

What Items Can be Collected

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| Men's Clothing | Shoes | Drapes/Curtains |
| Women's Clothing | Purses | Sleeping Bags |
| Children's Clothing | Hats | Tools |
| Coats and Jackets | Toys | Silverware |
| Jewelry | Pillows/Blankets | Dishes |

For more detailed information regarding textile recycling, please visit the village's website or contact the Public Works Department at 847.870.5640.

CHANGES TO MOUNT PROSPECT CLOTHING, SHOE & TEXTILE COLLECTION PROGRAM



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ITEMS WE ACCEPT

- ALL TYPES OF CLOTHING
- SHOES
- ACCESSORIES
- KITCHENWARE
- LINENS
- *ITEMS LESS THAN 50 LBS THAT ONE PERSON CAN CARRY



Recycling

Electronics Recycling Drop-off

In September 2009, Illinois became the 16th state to adopt an electronics recycling law known as the Electronics Products Recycling and Reuse Act (SB2313). This legislation bans certain electronic items, mainly computers and televisions, from Illinois landfills.

To assist residents with collecting old electronics and to ensure environmentally safe recycling of these materials, the Village, in partnership with SWANCC and Com2 Recycling Solutions, has established an Electronics Recycling Drop-off site at the Mount Prospect Public Works Facility.

Not all electronic items will be accepted. Please review the *Electronics Recycling Acceptable Items* list to see if your electronics item will be accepted. If you do not find your electronic listed as an acceptable item please consult the SWANCC Reuse/Recycle Directory (swancc.org) for alternative recycling options.

Drop-Off DETAILS

Location Mount Prospect Public Works Department
1700 West Central Road

Dates Wednesdays | April - October | 10 am-12 pm
Items brought to the Public Works facility outside of designated hours will not be accepted.

In addition to the Mount Prospect location, SWANCC sponsors several other weekly drop-off locations. The locations listed below are open to all Mount Prospect residents. Collection locations will be closed on national holidays; closed Saturday after holidays.

Glenview Transfer Station

3 Providence Way | Des Plaines
Just north of River Rd & Central Rd
Open Year Round
Saturdays 9:00 am-11:30 am

Hoffman Estates

Village Hall
1900 Hassell Road
Open April-November
Mondays 10:00 am-12:00 pm

Winnetka Public Works

1390 Willow Road | Open April-November | Thursdays 1:00 pm-3:00 pm



ELECTRONICS RECYCLING ACCEPTABLE ITEMS

Only the following electronic items will be accepted for recycling at SWANCC sponsored drop-off locations:

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| Cable Receivers | MP3 Players |
| Cell Phones | Portable Digital Assistants (PDAs) |
| Computer Monitors | Printers (Multi-function Printers) |
| Computers (Desktops, Notebooks, Tablets) | Satellite Receivers |
| Converter Boxes | Scanners |
| Fax Machines | Televisions (All Types) |
| Keyboards | Video Game Consoles |
| Mice | Video Recorders/Players |
| | Zip Drives |

Battery Recycling

The Village (with the sponsorship of SWANCC) offers a battery recycling program. The purpose of the program is to provide a convenient method for recycling of household alkaline and rechargeable batteries and prevent disposal in landfills.

Who is allowed to participate? The program is open to all Mount Prospect residents and SWANCC community residents.

What type of batteries will be accepted? The program is only designed to accept household alkaline batteries (AAA, AA, C, D, 9V and button cells) and rechargeable batteries (NiCad, NiMh, lithium ion, and lithium polymer). We will not accept Nickel Iron, Mercury, Silver Oxide, or Lead Acid batteries. These battery types would include car, marine and sump pump.



What type of Preparation is needed? For all rechargeable batteries (Lithium, NiMh, and NiCad), residents must cover the contact points of each rechargeable battery with masking tape or place each rechargeable battery in an individual self-locking plastic bag so that the contact points on batteries do not touch each other during collection or transportation, which can cause a fire hazard. Batteries that are not prepared properly will not be accepted. This is not necessary with household or alkaline batteries.

Where do I drop off my batteries? Batteries can be brought to the Public Works Department, 1700 West Central Road, in front of main entrance at the west end of the parking lot (available 24/7).

Contact the Public Works Department with questions at 847.870.5640 or publicworksdept@mountprospect.org.

Compact Fluorescent Recycling

Compact Fluorescent Light Bulbs (CFLs) have been in the news focusing on their environmental benefits. They do however contain mercury vapor, which makes disposing of the bulbs a concern.

In response, the Village, in cooperation with SWANCC, offers a free recycling program to Mount Prospect and SWANCC residents. Residents can bring their CFLs and up to four foot fluorescent (maximum of 12 total) to the Public Works Department, 1700 West Central Road, in front of main entrance at the west end of the parking lot (available 24/7) for recycling. CFLs/tubes should be unbroken and in a zip lock bag for proper recycling.

This program is for residentially generated CFLs and is not for commercial or industrial businesses. Please do not bring incandescent bulbs. Incandescent bulbs are not hazardous and can be disposed of with your regular solid waste.

For more information on the program, please visit the Village website or contact the Public Works Department at 847.870.5640.



Holiday Lights Recycling Program

Did you purchase new holiday lights and don't know what to do with the old ones? Do you have a set of lights or extension cords that you can't get to work? Don't throw them in the garbage. You can recycle them free of charge.

The Village accepts unused and non-working holiday string lights and extension cords year round. The materials in the string lights and extension cords will be reclaimed and reprocessed into new products. Most importantly they will be kept out of the landfill.

Residents can drop off their unwanted holiday string lights and extension cords at the Public Works Department, 1700 West Central Road, in front of main entrance at the west end of the parking lot (available 24/7).



Medication/Sharps Recycling

The Medication/Sharps Recycling Program program is for residents of SWANCC's member communities. Residents can bring medications and sharps for disposal to the Public Works Department during normal business hours (Monday-Friday, 7:30 am-5:00 pm). Please do not leave medications and sharps during non-business hours when carts are not outside.

No prescription drugs or sharps from businesses, schools or hospitals will be accepted. IDs will be checked for verification of residency.

General tips

- Prescription drugs that are more than a year old should be disposed of properly
- Turn in non-prescription medicines without an expiration date that are more than six months old
- Keep pharmaceuticals in their original containers with labels to identify contents
- Blackout or cross off patient's name on pharmaceutical labels
- Sharps need to be placed in a rigid container with a sealed lid. A new sharps container will be provided

Acceptable Items

- Unused/expired prescription medications
- Prescription cough syrup
- Prescription ear drops and eye drops
- Expired over the counter medications
- Residential sharps

Unacceptable Items

- Pharmaceutical controlled substances (opiods, narcotics, stimulants, depressants, hallucinogens, anabolic steroids, etc.)
- Institutional or business waste
- Non-prescription liquids





Organics Recycling

Unlimited Organics Collection Program

The Village has rebranded the existing yard waste program as the Organics Program. In addition to the collection of yard waste, the Village will now accept organic material including fruits, vegetables, meat, etc. All yard waste and organics material will be collected in unlimited quantities for no additional charge, but residents must provide their own rigid container or obtain one through the cart rental program for collection. Organics Service will be provided from April through mid-December.



Acceptable Organics

- Grass clippings
- Brush
- Flowers
- Leaves
- Fruits & vegetables
- Pastas
- Meat (no bone)
- Breads
- Crackers
- Cereals
- Cheese, yogurt (no liquids)
- Coffee grounds

Non-Acceptable Organics

- Plastic bags
- Styrofoam
- Bones, seafood
- Shrink wrap
- Chip and candy wrappers
- Plastic forks, knives or spoons
- Plastic containers or wrap from food packaging
- Plastic of any kind
- Glass of any kind
- No beverages

Organics/Yard Waste Collection Details

Container Specifications

Any size container up to 95 gal is acceptable with this program. Residents are responsible for maintaining personally owned yard waste containers.

- Rigid containers up to 32 gal cannot exceed more than 50lbs as they are manually tipped by the driver
- Rigid containers 32 gal and larger must be wheeled carts as they are picked up with a hydraulic arm

Bag Specifications

If you choose to use kraft paper bags, you will only be able to dispose of yard waste material. Material identified as organic must be disposed of in a rigid container.

- Bags must be made of biodegradable kraft paper. Biodegradable bags made out of corn starch or similar products are not acceptable
- Bags cannot exceed 32 gallon capacity. The bag will not be collected if it exceeds 32 gallons

- Bags cannot exceed 50 pounds. The bag will not be collected if it exceeds 50 pounds
- Plastic bags cannot be used to dispose of yard waste. Plastic bags containing yard waste will not be collected

Organics/yard waste generated from Mount Prospect residential properties will be taken to Organix Recycling, LLC located on the South Side of Chicago.



Collection Set-Out Times

Yard waste can be placed at the curb as early as 4:30 pm the day before collection and no later than 6:30 am of collection day. Late set-outs will not be collected until the following week.

Brush Collection

Brush Less than 3.5 inches in Diameter

- Residents may set out an unlimited number of properly prepared bundles of brush
- Brush bundles are collected on your regular collection day.
- Tree limbs must not exceed 3.5 inches diameter



- Brush must be bundled – bundles not to exceed 50 pounds, 5 feet in length and must be secured with a biodegradable material (cloth or twine); no wire or plastic

Brush Greater than 3.5 inches in Diameter

- Brush or logs greater than 3.5 inches in diameter are taken as garbage and not collected as yard waste
- Logs can be placed in your garbage cart for collection or placed outside the cart. If logs are placed outside the cart the logs must be prepared according to the following specifications:
 - Bundles or individual logs will be collected on your regular scheduled collection day, not to exceed 50 pounds, or five (5) feet in length.
 - One (1) cubic yard limit (approximately six (6) bundles or large logs equal one (1) cubic yard).
 - Bundles must be secured with cloth or twine; no wire or plastic.

Curbside Organics Collection Guidelines



- ACCEPTABLE**
- GRASS CLIPPINGS
 - BRUSH
 - FLOWERS
 - LEAVES
 - FRUITS & VEGETABLES
 - PASTAS
 - MEAT (NO BONE)
 - BREADS
 - CRACKERS
 - CEREALS
 - CHEESE, YOGURT (NO LIQUIDS)
 - COFFEE GROUNDS
 - EGG SHELLS

YES!



Is this OK for Organics collection?

- NON-ACCEPTABLE**
- PLASTIC BAGS
 - STYROFOAM
 - BONES, SEAFOOD
 - SHRINK WRAP
 - CHIP AND CANDY WRAPPERS
 - PLASTIC UTENSILS
 - PLASTIC CONTAINERS OR WRAP FROM FOOD PACKAGING
 - PLASTIC OF ANY KIND
 - GLASS OF ANY KIND
 - BEVERAGES



NO!



Village of Mount Prospect Public Works Department | 847.870.5640 | publicworksdept@mountprospect.org



Organics/Yard Waste Cart Rental

Households producing a large amount of organics/yard waste may be interested in the Village's optional yard waste cart rental program. The program has a monthly fee of \$3.91 (2022 rate) for cart rental paid directly to the Village that includes the use of a wheeled cart (cart size of your choice – 35, 65 or 95 gallon).



Service is provided once a week on your scheduled collection day between April and mid-December.

To participate in the cart rental, please contact Public Works at 847.870.5640.

Solid Waste Notes

Solid Waste Management Contract

The Village of Mount Prospect has a comprehensive Solid Waste Management program that promotes waste reduction and resource recovery. The Village's residential solid waste services are paid through an annual direct charge paid monthly with your water bill or quarterly if you do not receive Village provided water service.

The Village's exclusive residential solid waste contract provides services to single-family residences (curbside collection), multi-family (centralized refuse containers), and commercial properties. The Public Works Department administers the solid waste contract and serves as the liaison between the resident and the refuse hauler.

Standard Refuse and Recycling

As part of the solid waste collection program, all residential properties receiving curbside collection are issued two wheeled carts, one for refuse and the second cart for recycling.

Refuse Container

One 35, 65, or 95 gallon wheeled cart for Refuse service (provided by the Village). The green cart or blue with black lid is for trash only. All trash must be placed in the cart. Any trash outside of the cart that is not on the approved bulk item list (*see page 10*) will not be collected. Your options are to hold onto the trash until the next scheduled collection day or call Republic Services for a special pickup (charges do apply).

Recycling Container

One 35, 65 or 95 gallon wheeled cart for Recycling service (provided by the Village). The blue cart is for commingled recyclables such as: newspaper, mixed paper, corrugated cardboard; glass food and beverage containers; steel, tin and bimetal containers; empty aerosol and aluminum cans; aluminum foil, formed-foil; wax and polycoated *gable topped* beverage containers such as milk cartons, juice drink boxes, whipping cream cartons, and fabric softener refills (*see page 1 for details*). **Do not put recyclables into plastic garbage bags.**

Refuse & Recycling Carts

The durable, plastic wheeled carts that are used for the solid waste program are designed specifically for residential properties and feature a permanently attached lid and a handle that allows for easy maneuvering.

- 35 GALLON WHEELED CART (38"Hx23"Wx21"D) | Holds three standard kitchen bags
- 65 GALLON WHEELED CART (41.5"Hx25"Wx25"D) | Holds six standard kitchen bags
- 95 GALLON WHEELED CART (47"Hx30"Wx30"D) | Holds twelve standard kitchen bags

The Village understands that a household's solid waste needs may change over time creating a need for greater or reduced solid waste capacity. To address this issue, households are allowed to exchange their current refuse and/or recycling cart for a different size cart at no cost to the resident.

The Village also offers additional carts for households needing additional refuse and recycling capacity. Additional refuse carts can be purchased for a one time non-refundable rental fee of \$25 for each additional refuse cart regardless of size. Households are allowed one free recycling cart in addition to

the recycling cart originally provided by the Village. Cart exchanges can be made by calling the Public Works Department at 847.870.5640. Once an exchange request has been made, the cart(s) will be exchanged by Republic Services on the resident's first scheduled collection day after the request. A representative from Republic Services will make the exchange after refuse trucks have finished collection. A resident that has scheduled an exchange must leave their cart(s) at the curb after collection. The new cart(s) will not be delivered if the old cart(s) are not at the curb. **Please DO NOT bring carts to Public Works for exchange.**

If you have a damaged cart the Village will repair or replace the cart(s) at no cost to you. Contact the Public Works Department at 847.870.5640 to report the damaged cart. A representative from Republic Services will be dispatched to repair or replace the cart on the next scheduled garbage collection day. Refuse/ and or recycling carts will not be exchanged for aesthetic or odor issues. Residents are responsible for cleaning their own containers.

Refuse & Recycling Cart Placement

Refuse and recycling wheeled carts must be placed at the curb on your scheduled collection day to be collected.

Wheeled Cart Placement Do's

- Carts should be placed on the driveway apron at the curb line or on the parkway
- Carts should be placed for collection with the handle facing away from the street
- Carts should be placed at the curb with a two (2) foot separation between the carts, mailbox or sign posts
- Cart lids must be closed

Wheeled Cart Placement Don'ts

- Carts should not be placed in the street
- Cart lids should not be open
- Items should not be placed on top of the closed lid
- Do not place items (white goods, bulk items, yard waste) in front of the carts

Cart Storage

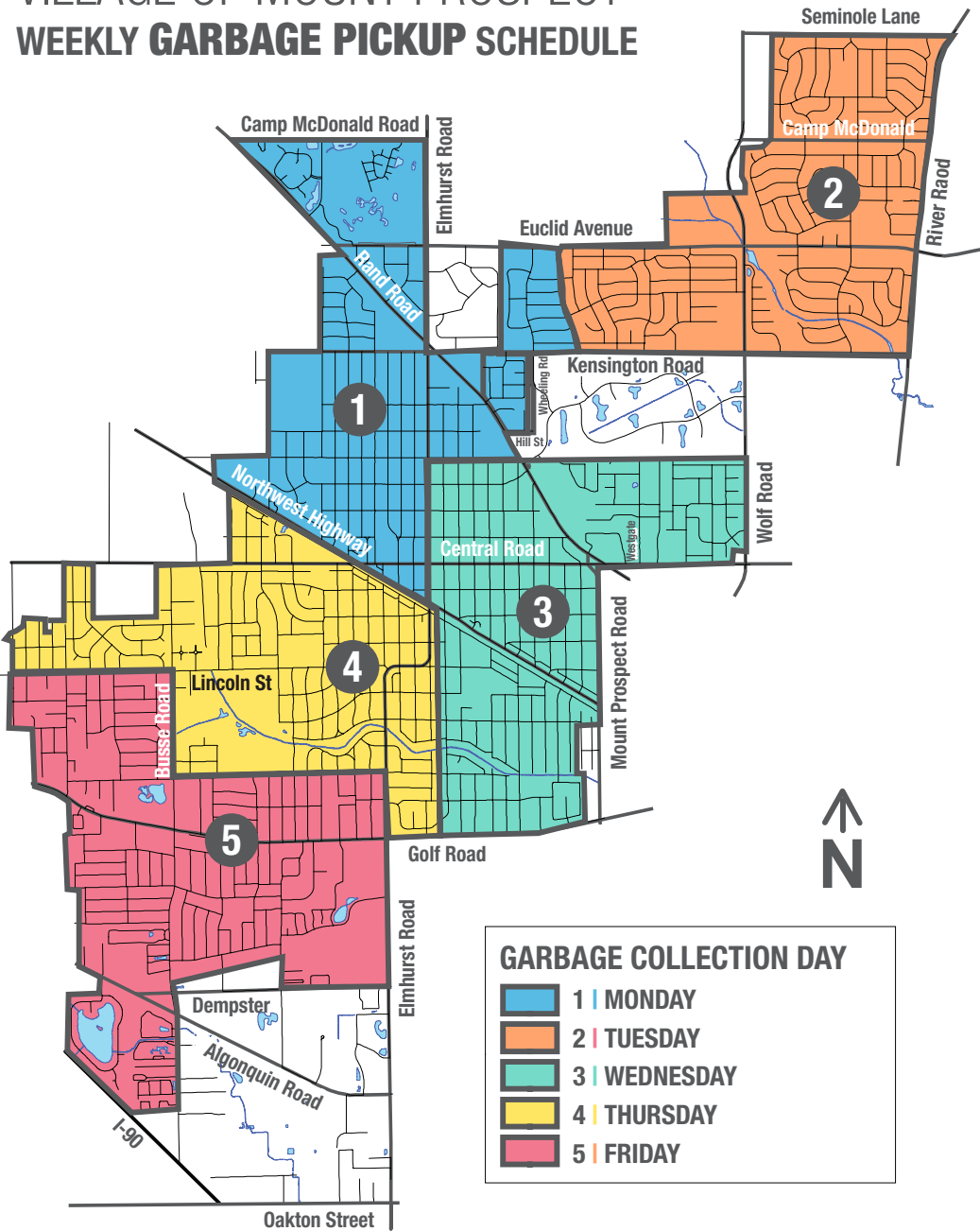
- Village Code regulates where refuse, recycling and yard waste containers may be stored on your property
- Carts or yard waste containers can be stored along the side, rear or in the garage of a property
- Carts or containers cannot be stored in front of the property. Carts stored on the driveway in front of the garage or in the front yard are a violation of Village Code
- Corner houses may not place receptacles in a corner or exterior side yard unless receptacles are completely screened from adjacent street by permanent fence or dense planting

MPDelivers/SeeClickFix

Need to replace or exchange your refuse or recycling cart? Contact Public Works at 847.870.5640 or submit an online service request on our Customer Response Module (CRM) which is the first action button on the homepage at mountprospect.org. It provides access to Village services from initial request to completion. MPDelivers/SeeClickFix is available free for download on your smartphone and can be used to submit issues like refuse/recycling cart replacement or exchange or other Public Works requests.



VILLAGE OF MOUNT PROSPECT WEEKLY GARBAGE PICKUP SCHEDULE



Collection Set-Out Times

Refuse and recycling can be placed at the curb as early as 4:30 pm the day before collection but no later than 6:30 am of the collection day. Late set-outs will not be collected until the following week. Empty carts are to be removed the same day as collection.

Missed Collection

If the refuse hauler misses your collection, it will be picked up the next working day. Please call Public Works (847.870.5640) within 24 hours to report the missed pick-up.

Improperly prepared refuse, recyclables, yard material, etc. will not be collected. Materials that are not collected due to non-compliance must be removed from the parkway and stored on the resident's property. Material must be prepared properly and set at the curb the next week for collection.

Holiday Collection Schedule

There will be NO collection on the following holidays:

- New Year's Day Labor Day
- Memorial Day Thanksgiving Day
- 4th of July Christmas Day

If a holiday falls on a weekday or is observed on a weekday and your regularly scheduled pickup is on that day or after, your pickup will be delayed by one day. Friday pickups will be done on Saturday. The following week will return to the regular collection schedule.

If New Year's, Independence, or Christmas Day fall on a Sunday, the holiday will be observed on Monday. Garbage collection will be delayed one day with Monday's collection occurring on Tuesday, etc. The following week will return to the regular collection schedule.

Solid Waste Notes

Bulk items

Bulk items are collected weekly on your regular scheduled collection day. Collection is provided at no additional charge and there is no limit on the number of items that can be placed at the curb. The following is a list of approved bulk items:

Lawn Care Equipment (no gasoline)	Furniture
Countertop Microwave Ovens	Bicycles
Mattresses/Box Springs	Swing Sets (5 foot lengths)
Carpet Rolls (no longer than 5 feet)	Barbecue Grills (no propane tanks unless empty)
Snowblowers/Shovels	
Plumbing Fixtures	

This is not an exhaustive list of bulk items. If you do not see your item on the list please contact the Public Works Department to see if it will be collected as a bulk item.

White Goods (Appliances)

Appliances will be collected for an additional fee that must be paid the day of pick up. Arrangements for white good collection must be made directly with Republic Services (847.981.0091).



Cleaning?

Residents may bring refuse and debris to the Glenview Transfer Station. You will be required to unload your own vehicle. There is a minimum charge of \$40 (2021 rate) which includes the first half ton of material; \$80 per ton (2021 rate). White goods such as refrigerators, washers, and dryers may be disposed of on a fee per item basis. Only major credit cards are acceptable for payment. For more information, call the Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County (SWANCC) at 847.724.9205 or email info@swancc.org.

Glenview Transfer Station

Hours	Monday 6am-10am and 2pm-4pm Tuesday-Friday 6am-4pm Saturday 6am-12pm Sunday Closed
Rates	Residential Waste \$21.25 minimum for 500 pounds or less \$85 per ton (2022 rate)
White Goods	\$25 per item (refrigerator, washer, dryer, etc.) (2021 rate)
Location	3 Providence Way, Des Plaines, Illinois 60016 (North of River Road & Central Road)

NOTE: Household hazardous waste (paint, cleaning products, motor oil or automotive batteries), any type of landscape waste, concrete, asbestos roofing shingles and materials or medical/liquid wastes are NOT accepted at the drop-off.

Special Collections

Excess trash, non-bulk items, construction debris in excess of one cubic yard, large tree limbs and stumps will be collected for an additional fee. Arrangements must be made directly with Republic Services (847.981.0091). Material must be properly prepared.

Construction Debris

Construction debris must be placed in the wheeled cart. Debris placed in the cart must be prepared in a manner that allows the lid of the cart to close (ex. boards placed in the cart must be cut to a size allowing the lid to close).



Materials that cannot be containerized must be prepared in the following manner: Bundles are not to exceed five (5') feet in length nor 50 pounds in weight; one (1) cubic yard limit. (Approximately six (6) bundles equal one (1) cubic yard). Doors count as one bundle of construction debris. Doors do not need to be cut to size.

Move-in Debris

Residents moving into a home in the Village are entitled to a one (1) time only unlimited move-in collection at no charge. Residents must call Public Works (847.870.5640) within one (1) month of the move in to arrange for collection. All restrictions and guidelines regarding the preparation of materials and limitations on construction debris apply to move-in collections.

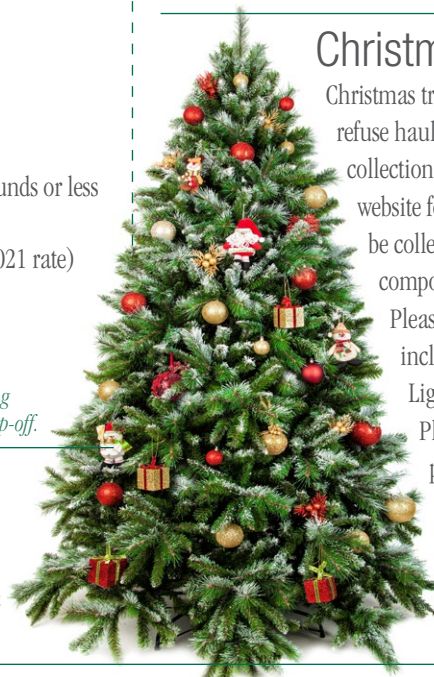


Christmas Trees

Christmas trees will be collected for composting by the refuse hauler at no additional cost on your regular refuse collection day for the first two weeks of January (see website for exact dates). After two weeks, trees will be collected as garbage. Christmas trees set out for composting must be free of all decorative debris. Please remove all decorative items from the tree including:

Lights • Ornaments • Strings • Tinsel • Wires

Please do not cut or trim trees for collection; place trees at the curb whole. Natural wreaths are considered refuse due to the metal frame and will be collected as refuse. Artificial wreaths are not recyclable.



Household Hazardous Waste



Household Hazardous Waste Collection

Permanent Collection Facilities

Three long-term household chemical waste collection facilities in Illinois:

Goose Island Facility | 312.744.7672 | 1150 North Branch Street | Chicago
Tuesdays 7 am-12 pm | Thursdays 2 pm-7 pm | 1st Saturday of month 8 am-3 pm
Operated by the City of Chicago and the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA).
Accepts household chemical waste, computer materials, small fire extinguishers and propane tanks.

Solid Waste Agency of Lake County (SWALCO) | 847.336.9340
1311 North Estes Street | Gurnee
By appointment only on second Saturday or fourth Monday of each month.

Naperville | 630.420.6095
156 Fort Hill Drive | Naperville | Saturdays & Sundays 9 am-2 pm

Rock River Reclamation District | 815.987.5570
3333 Kishwaukee | Rockford | Saturdays 8 am-4 pm | Sundays Noon-4 pm
knib.org/recycling

One-Day Household Hazardous Waste Collection Events

The village hosts up to two one-day, by appointment only, household hazardous waste collection events throughout the year. Please check village's website, mountprospect.org, for information and availability. **Mount Prospect residents only.**

Materials collected will be disposed of in the most environmentally friendly method possible. Some of the eligible items include aerosol paints and solvents, pool chemicals, insecticides, used motor oil and cleaning products.

A full list of eligible and prohibited items can be found at mountprospect.org. No business or commercial waste will be accepted.

Acceptable Items

Oil-based paints
Used motor oil
Paint thinners
Drain cleaners
Herbicides
Lawn chemicals
Insecticides
Solvents
Pesticides
Antifreeze
Old gasoline
Hobby chemicals
Pool chemicals
Aerosol paints & pesticides
Cleaning products
Fluorescent lamp bulbs
Mercury
Old & outdated medicines and pharmaceuticals

Unacceptable Wastes

Agricultural chemicals
Propane tanks*
Business/commercial sector wastes
Smoke detectors
Explosives
Farm machinery oil
Fireworks
Fire extinguishers*
Lead acid batteries*
Institutional wastes
Controlled substances
Sharps, needles & potentially infectious medical wastes
Latex Paint

Unable to attend a collection?

Dispose of your household chemical waste for a fee. Contact R3 Environmental Management at 847.488.1492 x 202.

** Although the Illinois EPA's contractors do not accept automotive batteries, propane tanks, or fire extinguishers, cosponsors may elect to contact a vendor willing to set up and accept these materials on the day of the collection event. Call the Illinois EPA to verify materials being accepted.*

Mercury Thermometer Disposal

NEVER use a vacuum to clean up mercury. If you have a mercury spill, contact the Illinois Department of Public Health at 217.782.5830, or go to idph.state.il.us/mercury for cleanup procedures.

SWANCC has established an environmentally-friendly Thermometer Exchange Program for member communities.

Mount Prospect Public Works | 847.870.5640
1700 West Central Road | M-F 7:30 am-5 pm

Chicago Household Chemicals & Computer Recycling
1150 North North Branch Street | Chicago | cityofchicago.org
See website for hours | Residential waste only (no business or commercial sector waste). Accepts thermometers, switches and thermostats.

Arlington Heights Village Hall | 847.368.5760
Health Department | 33 South Arlington Heights Road | M-F 8 am-5 pm

Buffalo Grove Village Hall | 847.459.2530
50 Raupp Blvd | Monday 8 am-7:30 pm | Tuesday-Friday 8 am-4:30 pm

R3 Environmental Management | 847.488.1492
1050 East Chicago Avenue | Elgin | r3environmental.net

Mercury may also be taken to Household Chemical Waste events. Check swancc.org for other locations.

Latex Paint Disposal

The easiest way to dispose of paint is to use it up completely, apply a second coat to your project or use it up on a piece of old cardboard or scrap wood. Let the can dry out and dispose of it in your regular garbage. If this isn't an option, continue reading.

You can add shredded newspapers, kitty litter or sawdust to your latex paint. Let the paint dry out completely. This should be done in a well-ventilated area and away from children and pets. After the paint has dried, put the container in your garbage with the lid off so the garbage hauler knows the can is empty.

Recycle your eyeglasses and hearing aids!

You may recycle your eyeglasses and hearing aids at the Public Works Facility M-F from 7:30 am-5 pm. The donated eyeglasses will be taken to the Lions of Illinois Foundation in Dekalb. Metal frames will be melted down and sold for scrap to help defray shipping costs. Plastic frames and all lenses are shipped to Indiana for refurbishing. Upon completion, the glasses will be shipped to eye doctors outside of the U.S., where people in need will get these glasses for free. Unfortunately there is no recycling program for eyeglass cases at this time, and those that are donated to the Lions get disposed of.

Hearing aids, also collected by the Lions, are also sent to Lions of Illinois Foundation in DeKalb. From there, they get refurbished by a hearing aid company, and are then made available through the Foundation to anyone in need of hearing aids.



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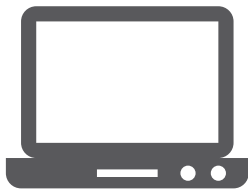
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