



City of St. Francis

Dear City of St. Francis Resident,

After years of having automated recycle collection, the City has decided to switch to automated garbage collection also. Starting in early March, Waste Management will provide a new green garbage cart and a new blue recycle cart for each property. (Duplexes will receive 2 of each, etc.). The new carts will be 96-gallon carts. These carts are similar to the existing recycle cart but just a little taller and wider at the top. These carts are able to hold a substantial amount of garbage and recycle. The weight limit for the each cart is 200 pounds. After a 30-day trial period, 64-gallon or smaller carts will be available upon request to replace the larger carts by calling the Waste Management Call Center at 888-960-0008. A flyer with additional information will be distributed with the new carts. The flyer will have calendar with the recycle and bulk collection schedule and information about what materials should be placed in each cart. This information will also be available on the City website at www.stfranciswi.org.

Garbage Collection

The garbage collection will stay on the same day as it is currently. Only garbage that fits in the **green garbage cart** will be collected each week. If items are put out for collection that are not in the cart, they will not be collected unless it is bulk collection day. The items which are not collected must be taken back onto private property until the next regular collection day.

Large, bulky items will be picked up on the fourth regular collection day of the month. For example, your collection day is Tuesday and you have a couch that you do not want any longer. Now, you will put the couch out on the fourth Tuesday of the month for bulk collection. Bulk items are items that do not fit in the cart like mattresses, furniture, some carpet, lumber, Christmas trees, etc.

Recycle Collection

The recycle collection will remain the same. Recyclable materials are plastic 1-7, metal cans, paper and cardboard, etc. as listed in the newsletter or on the City website. **The new recycle cart is blue** and it is the only cart that will be collected on recycle day. All residential properties currently have a gray or green/gold cart that is being used for recycle. You are allowed to keep this cart for your own use but it cannot be used for recycle collection. If you do-not want to keep the gray or green/gold recycle cart, a notice will be provided on directions on how to turn in the cart. Again, the only cart that will be collected for recycle will be the **blue recycle cart**.

If you have cardboard to recycle, it should be broken down to fit inside the cart. Again, the new cart is 96 gallons and can hold a considerable amount of recycle materials. Only recycle materials that fit in the **blue recycle cart** will be collected.

Missed Collections

If you believe your garbage or recycle collection was missed, please call the Waste Management Call Center at 888-960-0008. They are now the first place to call for concerns regarding collection since they have direct communication with the route drivers.

If you have additional questions, please see the City website or call the Engineering Department at 414-481-2300.