

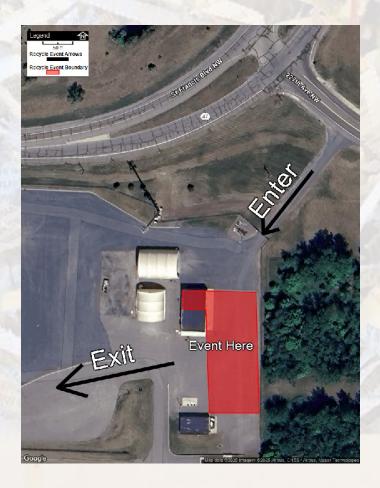
# 2025 Recycling Newsletter—Spring Edition

### **New Layout For Events**

Having recycling events at public works has been beneficial to both the residents and vendors. The central location makes recycling easier for residents of St. Francis and surrounding areas. This year we are condensing the event area to the far east side of public works. We will still use the same entrance and exit as past events. These events will be more like a self-serve recycling facility with limited to no staff help. There will be *ONE* event this year where trash is accepted; minimum charge will be \$40. All recycling events are Saturdays from 8 am to Noon.

Another change is paper shredding. We will be offering locked carts to drop-off paper for shredding. The carts will be stored at the police station and will be shredded on-site when bins are full.

Anoka County is also hosting a Hazardous Waste Event in October. This will be the ONLY Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event where materials such as paints and solvents will be accepted. More information will follow later in the year.





## 2025 Event Dates

April 26th / July 19th / Sept 20th / Nov 22nd
8 am to Noon—Public Works

Enter across from Community Park
and Exit at the Police Station.

# **Recycling Curbside**











Paper	Glass	Metal	Cartons	Plastic
Yes Mixed paper  Mail, office & school papers  Magazines & catalogs  Newspapers & inserts  Paper towel & toilet paper cores  Phone books  Boxes	Yes  • Beverage/food bottles (no lids) & jars  No  • Drinking, glasses, mugs, dishes, cookware, pottery & vases  • Window & mirror glass  • Containers that held hazardous products, such as nail polish or hobby paints  • Light bulbs	Yes  • Beverage/food cans  • Aluminum foil, trays & pie tins  No  • Paint cans  • Aerosol cans  • Containers that held hazardous products, such as paint thinner or automotive fluids  • Scrap metal, such as cookware, nails & hangers	Yes  Milk cartons  Juice cartons  Juice boxes (remove straws)  Soup, broth & wine cartons  No  Ice cream cartons  Egg cartons  Plastic straws	Yes Plastic #1, #2, and #5 Bottles & Jugs (caps on)  • Water, soda & juice bottles  • Milk & juice jugs  • Ketchup & salad dressing bottles  • Dish soap bottles & laundry containers  • Shampoo, soap & lotion bottles  Plastic #1, #2, #5 Cups, Tubs &
<ul> <li>Cardboard</li> <li>Cereal, cracker &amp; pasta boxes</li> <li>Shoe, gift &amp; electronics boxes</li> <li>Toiletry boxes</li> <li>Tissue boxes</li> </ul>				<ul> <li>Yogurt, pudding &amp; fruit cups</li> <li>Clear plastic cups &amp; produce containers</li> <li>Margarine, cottage cheese, cream cheese &amp; other tubs/ lids</li> </ul>
No Pizza boxes or boxes soiled with food Egg cartons Freezer boxes	<ul> <li>Overall Preparation of Recyclables</li> <li>Do not place recyclables in plastic bags, place them loose in your recycling cart.</li> <li>Do not include "tanglers" in your cart such as hoses, cords, chains, wires, ropes or string lights.</li> </ul>			No Plastic #3, 4, 6, & 7.  Styrofoam cups, plates or packaging  Containers that held

#### Make sure:

Paper towels, napkins,

paper plates & cups

· Envelopes with

bubble-wrap

Shredded Paper

· Gift wrap & tissue paper

- Containers that held food and beverages are empty, rinsed, free of food debris and not crushed.
- Paper and boxes are dry, flattened and free of grease, food, excess tape and plastic.



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- Containers that held hazardous automotive & yard products, such as, motor oil or pesticides
- Plastic bags & plastic wrap\*
- Black food trays & containers
- Small items, Plastic caps, Plastic utensils, straws and prescription bottles

\*Plastic bags & wrap that are clean & dry are accepted at grocery/retail stores for recycling.

## Items accepted at St. Francis Recycling Events

Free: Used Motor Oil

Tires (passenger) Off Rim

Bicycles—Collected by Bikes4Kids

Leaves, grass clippings and tree trimmings

Scrap Metal

Paper for shredding

Cardboard and household recyclables

For a Fee: Appliances—\$10 Commercial—\$80

Mattresses—\$25

Box springs—\$25

Tires with Rims—\$5 ea.

Small Electronics—\$5 See Website for more details.

Trash: Only accepted April 26th

Minimum charge—\$40

Furniture—\$60 ea.

Sectional Couch—\$120 ea.



Do you have large amounts of Cardboard?

Do you have used motor oil and oil filters?

Do you have yard waste and tree trimmings from your home?

Call Public Works and make an appointment to drop off items throughout the year. Drop-off times may vary depending on staff availability. (Mon -Thurs, 6 am to 4 pm)

Public Works: 763-233-5200



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**Durability:** Reusable bags are much stronger than plastic bags. Plastic bags have a tendency to tear when a corner of an object is protruding against them. This can result in using more than one bag. Even though large retailers and grocery stores accept plastic bags for recycling, it is still better not to use them at all.

**Pollution Reduction**: Plastic bags can easily blow in the wind. They have a tendency to fly out of the garbage trucks and get caught in the trees. In turn, they end up being more pollution. Reusable bags reduce the amount of trash being thrown away.

**Multiple uses:** Reusable bags can be used for more then just carrying groceries. They can be used for multiple uses such as bringing towels to the beach, bringing your books to school or any where a tote bag comes in handy.

Be sure to pack some reusable bags in your vehicle and have them ready for anything!

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