



BETTER RECYCLING. BETTER BURGH.

Winter 2020 Curbside Recycling/Refuse Newsletter & Calendar



Recycling is mandatory in the City of Pittsburgh per City Ordinance 619. The City is working hard to reduce recycling contamination, increase diversion, and strive for Zero Waste by 2030. In an effort to accomplish this goal, it will take city-wide participation from every resident to eliminate products “destined for the landfill.”

The City of Pittsburgh is currently working on a plan to distribute blue recycling containers to City residents serviced by the Bureau of Environmental Services beginning in 2020. To receive more information about the upcoming program, please visit pittsburghpa.gov/blue-bin-info/ or contact the 311 response center.

FORGET YOUR COLLECTION DAY? We've got an app!
Visit www.pittsburghpa.gov, click on 'online apps',
then 'trash schedule app'

PGH.ST



City residents can receive e-mail or text messages to remind them about trash and recycling collection days. The messages also note when holidays delay pickup and when the bi-annual curbside yard debris collections are scheduled. For more information, visit www.pgh.st.

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City of Pittsburgh Public Works Recycling Drop-off Centers

Accepted items at all locations include: cardboard, mixed paper, aluminum, steel and empty aerosol cans, plastic & glass bottles, jars and jugs 3 gallons or less.

Strip District (24-hour drop-off)*

3001 Railroad Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15201
Entrance under 31st Street Bridge
(412) 255-2631

Beltzhoover/Knoxville (24-hour drop-off)*

623 Bausman Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15210
At parking lot of McKinley Skate Park
(412) 255-2631

Construction Junction* 214 North Lexington Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15208 (412) 243-5025
Open during regular business hours.

***Pittsburgh residents are encouraged to bring their glass bottles, jugs and jars of 3 gallons or less to these three drop-off locations.**

Bagged shredded paper is accepted at all locations (excluding the Beltzhoover/Knoxville drop-off location).

East End Drop-off Center (2nd Division) 6814 Hamilton Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15208 (412) 665-3609

Hazelwood Drop-off Center (3rd Division) 40 Melancton Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15207 (412) 422-6545

West End Drop-off Center (5th Division) 1330 Hassler Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15220 (412) 937-3054

These locations also accept yard debris and tires. They have specific hours Monday through Friday. Drop-off centers may offer Saturday hours. Call each center for details and hours.

Protect our Workers!

- » Stay back 50 feet from recycling and refuse trucks.
- » Slow down and look for workers before you attempt to go around the truck.
- » Please follow proper set-out and bulky waste requirements.
- » Do not use trash cans over 35 gallons for collection.

Place accepted curbside single-stream recycling items into a clearly marked blue recycling container not exceeding 35 gallons or a blue recycling bag for collection.



CARDBOARD

Flatten, bundle and place into another box or bin for collection
NO PIZZA BOXES



MIXED PAPER

Office paper, newspaper, junk mail, magazines and paperboard such as cereal boxes
NO CARTONS OR PAPER PLATES



ALUMINUM, STEEL & EMPTY AEROSOL CANS (NO LIDS)
NO POTS, PANS OR ALUMINUM FOIL/TRAYS



PLASTIC & GLASS: BOTTLES, JUGS AND JARS UNDER 3 GALLONS (NO LIDS)
NO PLASTIC BUCKETS, YOGURT TUBS, CLAMSHELL CONTAINERS, DRINKING CUPS, PYREX OR PLATE GLASS

Why is Pittsburgh accepting less plastic for curbside recycling?

This is due to changes in global market conditions. City of Pittsburgh residents should no longer focus on the numbers located on the bottom of plastic containers. The City of Pittsburgh does not accept other plastic items that are not a bottle, jug or jar at this time. This includes yogurt tubs, lids, extra plastic bags, berry or food containers know as clamshells. To learn more about additional recycling resources, please contact 311 by phone, Twitter @PGH311, or pittsburghpa.gov.

Tips to Reduce Single-use Plastic

Reduce your plastic waste consumption by using reusable grocery bags, water bottles, glass containers and buy in bulk.

New Electronic and Household Chemical Recycling Program

Pittsburgh is excited to partner with Environmental Coordination Services & Recycling (ECS&R) in the year round collection of both electronic and household chemical items such as TVs, computers, and waste like paint, chemicals and automotive fluids. All residents must schedule an appointment at ecsr.net/pittsburgh-recycling or by calling 866-815-0016.





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**ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
 2020 HOLIDAYS**

When a holiday falls on or before your collection day, your pickup will be one day later.

- JANUARY 1, WEDNESDAY** New Years Day
- JANUARY 20, MONDAY** Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- MAY 25, MONDAY** Memorial Day
- SEPTEMBER 7, MONDAY** Labor Day
- NOVEMBER 26, THURSDAY** Thanksgiving
- DECEMBER 25, FRIDAY** Christmas

**RECYCLE YOUR
 CHRISTMAS TREE**

Christmas Tree Recycling takes place **DECEMBER 26–JANUARY 26, 2020** and will have multiple drop-off locations throughout Pittsburgh. Remove all ornaments, tinsel, lights and tree stands before composting. For a list of drop-off locations visit pittsburghpa.gov.



City of Pittsburgh *Spring* and *Fall* Curbside Yard Debris Collection

- SATURDAY, APRIL 25 – 2020 SPRING YARD DEBRIS COLLECTION DAY**
- SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14 – 2020 FALL YARD DEBRIS COLLECTION DAY**

Material in plastic bags or placed at the curb loose, will NOT be accepted.

Pittsburgh residents are encouraged to compost their leaves, grass, branches, and other yard debris. Your participation in this program helps the environment by diverting valuable resources from the landfill. Yard waste will be left at the curb if collection guidelines are not followed. In order to participate, follow these easy guidelines below.

Place at your trash/recycling collection site before 6:00 a.m. Yard debris must be in brown paper bags and not weigh greater than 35 pounds. Branches must be bundled with fiber twine or natural rope in branch lengths of 5 feet or less.

City residents are able to drop-off yard debris year round at the East End, Hazelwood, and West End, DPW drop-off locations.

Fees apply for larger amounts.

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