

Recycling News 2016

What a busy year it has been for our city! We had our Annual Spring Recycle Event which turned out to be our biggest yet, at forty-six tons collected! That is five tons more than last year!

We also partnered with LePage & Sons and hosted three summer events at their facility in Bethel, MN. We collected nearly two tons of recyclable material. We also added something new this year, a FREE shred event at the St. Francis Bottle Shop.

A big thank you to all those who participated in these events. It is all of you who help divert more waste and make recycling a big success! **For more information on general recycling questions call St. Francis Public Works at 763-233-5200.**

Rain Barrels & Compost Bins

In the spring, we hosted a pick up site for rain barrels and compost bins purchased through Recycling Association Minnesota (RAM). RAM sold the rain barrels and compost bins online and residents picked them up here in St. Francis. If you are still interested in purchasing a rain barrel or compost bin, check out recycleminnesota.org.



2016 Business Recycling Law

Starting January 1, 2016, businesses that have service for four cubic yards of solid waste per week are required to collect at least 3 types of recyclables. Businesses include apartments, gas stations, restaurants, etc. For more information or help getting a recycling program started, contact Anoka County Recycling & Resource Solutions at 763-323-5730.




A SPECIAL THANK YOU

A special thank you to the local groups that helped out at our Recycling Events and Pioneer Days!

- Boy Scouts Troop 511 for garbage & recycling collection at Pioneer Days.
- Knights of Columbus Council 9585 for helping with ALL the recycling events.
- LePage & Sons for providing containers at Pioneer Days and hosting our summer events.

Recycling Curbside



Paper	Glass	Metal	Cartons	Plastic
<p>Yes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mail, office & school papers • Magazines & catalogs • Newspapers & inserts • Phonebooks • Paper towel/toilet paper cores <p>Boxes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cardboard • Cereal, cracker & pasta boxes • Shoe, gift & boxes • Toothpaste & other toiletry boxes <p>No</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pizza boxes or boxes soiled with food • Egg cartons • Refrigerator & freezer boxes • Paper towels, napkins, paper plates & cups • Gift wrap & tissue paper <p>Food box guidelines</p> <p>If a box is from the refrigerator or freezer, it is not recyclable. Cartons are an exception; they are recyclable.</p>	<p>Yes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beverage/food bottles & jars <p>No</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drinking, glasses, mugs, dishes, cookware, pottery & vases • Window & mirror glass • Containers that held hazardous products, such as nail polish or hobby paints • Light bulbs 	<p>Yes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beverage/food cans <p>No</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paint cans • Aerosol cans • Containers that held hazardous products, such as paint thinner automotive fluids 	<p>Yes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Milk cartons • Juice cartons • Juice boxes (remove straws) • Soup, broth & wine cartons <p>No</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ice cream cartons • Egg cartons • Plastic straws 	<p>Yes</p> <p>Bottles & jugs (caps on)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Water, soda & juice bottles • Milk & juice jugs • Ketchup & salad dressing bottles • Dish soap bottles & detergent jugs • Shampoo, soap & lotion bottles <p>Cups, tubs & containers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yogurt, pudding & fruit cups • Clear plastic cups • Margarine, cottage cheese, cream cheese & other tubs • Clear deli, berry & produce containers <p>No</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Styrofoam cups, plates or packaging • Containers that held hazardous automotive & yard products, such as, motor oil or pesticides • Plastic bags & plastic wrap* • Toys & kiddie pools • Garden hose • Black food trays & containers • Containers larger than an ice cream pail/bucket <p>*Plastic bags & wrap that are clean & dry are accepted at grocery/retail stores for recycling.</p>
<p>Recycling Drop-off Centers & Sites</p> <p>Recyclable materials that are not picked up at the curb may be taken to a municipal recycling drop-off center or a monthly drop-off collection site, open to all county residents. For information on recycling drop-off centers/sites and materials accepted visit:</p> <p>AnokaCounty.us/Recycle 763-323-5730</p>				
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Household Hazardous Waste

Some household products are hazardous and should not be placed in the garbage. Take unneeded paint, cleaners, automotive fluids, fluorescent bulbs, and garden products to:

Anoka County Household Hazardous Waste Facility

3230 101st Ave NE, Blaine (off Radisson Road)

April - October

Mon	9am - 3pm
Wed	2pm - 8pm
Fri	9am - 3pm
Sat	9am - 3pm

November - March

Wednesday	2pm - 8pm
Saturday	9am - 3pm

Closed holidays throughout the year.

There is no charge to use the facility. The facility accepts household hazardous waste from residents of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, and Washington counties. Proof of residency required. Businesses, organizations and schools may NOT bring hazardous waste to this facility.

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Anoka County Compost Sites

Anoka County has two compost sites accepting yard waste and organics (food, non-recyclable paper and certified compostable products) for composting. Sites are now open year-round weather permitting. The sites close each day at the time indicated below or sunset, if earlier.

Tree Waste, Leaves and Grass (and other soft bodied plants)

A user fee is charged for all materials dropped at the compost sites based on the materials and the size of the load. Residents are required to unload their own yard waste and take their bags and containers with them. Brush, evergreen boughs, logs and stumps are charged by the cubic yard depending on the size and amount of the material. Tree waste may be loose or bundled. Keep leaves and grass separate from tree waste as the fees are assessed separately.

Organics

Separate containers are provided at the sites for organics. Residents may drop off organics for free. For more information and to sign up for this program, go to AnokaCounty.us/recycle or by calling 763-323-5730. A free starter kit is available after you sign up for the program.

Bunker Hills Compost Site 763-767-7964

13285 Hanson Blvd, Coon Rapids

April—November	December—March
Mon: 10am - 7pm*	Sat: 9am - 1pm
Tues: 10am - 7pm*	
Wed: 10am - 7pm*	
Thurs: 10am - 7pm*	
Fri: 10am - 7pm*	
Sat: 9am - 5pm*	
Sun: 12pm - 5pm*	

Rice Creek Chain of Lake Compost Site 651-429-3723

7701 Main St, Lino Lakes

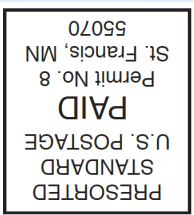
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Christmas Lights and Cell Phone Recycling Reminder



Bring your used Christmas lights and old cell phones to the Police and Public Works Building to recycle. Drop them off at the green bin (pictured to the right) in the front lobby during business hours.

Other Recycling Information/Reminders:

- Apartment Recycle Totes are available for FREE at the Public Works Building.
- Do you want to recycle something that isn't offered at an event? Please let us know and we'll see what we can do for you.
- We are always looking for local groups or organizations to help with our recycling events. Please let us know if you are interested!

For more information on general recycling questions please contact the St. Francis Public Works Department.

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Contact Us

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Visit us on the web at
StFrancisMN.org/recycling/