



2021 Recycling Newsletter

NEW Organics Program!!!

The City of St. Francis is starting a Free Organics Recycling Drop-off Program. This program is for food waste only, not yard waste. To participate in the program, sign up with Public Works and receive your free starter kit. The starter kit includes a kitchen pail for food scraps, compostable bags for lining the inside of the pail and detailed information on what is compostable. Once you have your starter kit, simply collect your food scraps in the supplied kitchen pail lined with a compostable bag, and bring the bag to the St. Francis Drop-off located in Community Park. That's it. You can pick up your free starter kit at Public Works lobby during normal business hours.

So, what are organics and why participate in the program? About a third of what we throw away is compostable or organic material. This includes all food scraps, spoiled food, coffee grounds and filters, facial tissue, paper-towels, napkins, paper egg cartons and BPI certified compostable products such as organics collection bags, compostable tableware (cups, plates, cutler). Tableware and bags must be labeled with the Biodegradable Products Institute (BPI) logo. If the produce isn't BPI certified, you should not purchase and use it because it will not break down into compost.

Why participate in the program? Organics collection programs puts food waste to a good use by creating compost. Because the material collected through this program goes to large-scale processing facilities, more material can be collected than in a back-yard compost bin. These facilities reach higher temperatures and will break down items such as meat, bones and dairy products in a way backyard bins cannot do. By participating in this program, you will reduce the amount of trash collected in your home and the amount of trash ending up in landfills which benefits everyone.

If you have any questions, call Public Works at 763-233-5200 or email your questions to sfrecycles@stfrancismn.org. For more information about organics drop-off sites in Anoka County, go to AnokaCounty.us/organics.

Curb-Side Pickup! - St. Francis Residents Only!

FREE Brush Pickup (April 19th & 20th)

- Must have cut ends towards the street
- NO Root Balls or Stumps Allowed
- Must be brought out by Noon on April 20th
- No more than FOUR piles per address
- Branches cannot be over 4" in diameter and 8' in length
- Only Piles 3' High and 4' Wide Allowed


Appliance Pickup! (April 21st & 22nd)

Public Works will pick up your appliance at the curb. You must sign up and pay ahead by calling Public Works. First appliance is \$20 and then \$10 for every appliance after that.

**Call Public Works To Signup for Either Pickup at 763-233-5200.*

Recycling Curbside



Paper	Glass	Metal	Cartons	Plastic
<p>Yes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mail, office & school papers • Magazines & catalogs • Newspapers & inserts <p>Boxes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cardboard • Cereal, cracker & pasta boxes • Shoe, gift & electronic boxes • Toiletry boxes • Tissue boxers <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 • Paper towel/toilet paper inner cores <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 • Aluminum foil, trays & pie tins <p>No</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paint cans • Aerosol cans • Containers that held hazardous products, such as paint thinner or automotive fluids • Scrap metal, such as cookware, nails & hangers 	<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 • Foil drink pouches 	<p>Yes</p> <p>#1, #2, and #5 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>#1, #2, #5 Cups, Tubs & Containers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yogurt, pudding & fruit cups • Clear plastic cups • Margarine, cottage cheese, cream cheese & other tubs <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* • Black food trays & containers • Plastic utensils • Straws <p>*Plastic bags & wrap that are clean & dry are accepted at grocery/retail stores for recycling.</p>
<p align="center">Overall Preparation of Recyclables</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do not place recyclables in plastic bags, place them loose in your recycling cart. • Do not include “tanglers” in your cart such as hoses, cords, chains, wires, ropes or string lights. <p>Make sure:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. 				
 <p>Anoka County MINNESOTA</p> <p>Respectful, Innovative, Fiscally Responsible</p>				



Spring Recycling Day!



4020 St. Francis Blvd. April 24, 8:00 am to 2:00 pm

Questions Call 763-233-5200

No Charge!

Household Recyclables, Paper Shredding (**AVAILABLE UNTIL NOON**), Automotive Batteries, Passenger Tires without Rims, Bicycles, Leaves and Grass Clippings (Free of woody debris & pet excrement), Scrap Metal (Free of oil, rubber and plastic).

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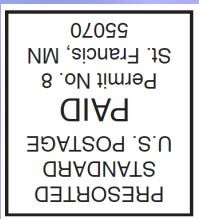
<p>TV's</p> <p>Up to 17" \$20</p> <p>18" - 31" \$30</p> <p>TV's over 32" \$50</p> <p>Console, Rear Projection \$85</p>	<p>Electronics</p> <p>VCR, DVD, Radio, Game Console, Cable Box, Pager, Converter, Satellite Receiver, Small Server, MP3, Toaster, Vacuum, Blender \$ 6</p> <p>Residential Printers, Fax, Scanners \$10</p>
<p>Appliances (No Commercial Appliances)</p> <p>Air Conditioner, Dehumidifier, Dishwasher, Garbage Disposal, Humidifier, Microwave, Stove, Water Heater, Trash Compactor, Refrigerator, Washer, Dryer, Freezer \$ 5</p> <p>Water Softener \$15</p>	<p>Tires</p> <p>All Tires with Rims \$ 4</p> <p>Semi Tires \$10</p>
<p>Mattresses/Box Springs \$20ea</p>	<p>Light Bulbs — Check city website for pricing!</p>

THINGS TO BE AWARE OF:

Cash Only (Smaller Bills Appreciated), Vendor Charges May Apply & No Hazardous Waste is being taken at this event.

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Don't forget these Dates!

April 24 - Spring Recycling Day! (8 am - 2 pm)

July 17 - Lepage & Sons Recycling Event

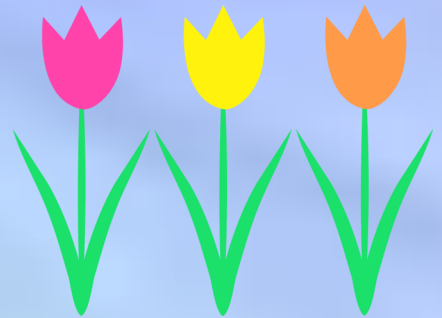
September 18 - Lepage & Sons Recycling Event

October 30 - Leaf, Paper Shred, Cardboard Event

November 20 - Lepage & Sons Recycling Event

*Lepage & Sons Events Located at 23602 University Ave Ext NW, Bethel, MN (8 am - 12 pm)

*St. Francis Events Located at 4020 St. Francis Blvd. NW, St. Francis, MN (9 am - 12 pm)



Contact Us

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Visit us on the web at
[www.stfrancismn.org/
publicworks/page/recycling](http://www.stfrancismn.org/publicworks/page/recycling)

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