

WHAT DOES MY WASTE & RECYCLING SERVICE FEE PAY FOR?

Residential Services and Programs to Keep Our Neighborhoods Clean and Beautiful



The City of Springfield's Office of Public Works provides important services that enable the residents to dispose of or recycle household wastes properly, as well as educational and beautification programs to make our community better for all. These services are funded through the City's \$4.50 Waste and Recycling Fee that is collected through your monthly City Water, Light and Power (CWLP) bill.



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WASTE & RECYCLING PICK-UP OR DROP-OFF SERVICES

YARD WASTE/LEAF PICK-UP

Allows residents to place yard waste—such as grass clippings, leaves, weeds, plant trimmings, small branches, and twigs—in paper leaf bags or plastic waste containers for curbside bi-weekly (i.e., every other week) pick-up from April through March. Stickers are NOT required.



BRANCH PICK-UP

Allows residents to place branches curbside for pick-up twice a year—once in the spring and once in the fall—or drop off branches at Evans Recycling year-round for free with proof of residency.



LARGE ITEM PICK-UP

Allows residents to schedule free curbside pick-up of non-electronic and non-hazardous items twice per calendar year. Pick-ups can be divided into two small scheduled pick-ups of three items per pick-up or one bulk scheduled pick-up of six items.

HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION

Allows residents to properly dispose of or recycle toxic household products that can be harmful to people, pets, wildlife, and the environment if poured down the drain, toilet or storm sewer, or put in the trash. Depending on demand, one to two collection events are scheduled each year.

CURBSIDE RECYCLING BINS

Allows residents to receive small blue bins distributed by waste haulers in the City of Springfield to collect residential curbside recyclables. Lids are also available upon request from the city.

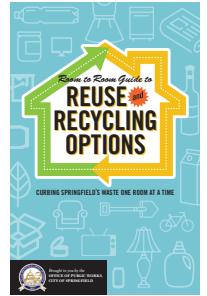


ELECTRONIC RECYCLING COLLECTION

Allows residents to drop off electronic items year-round that are illegal to put in the weekly trash—such as computers, VCRs, cell phones, and stereos—at BLH Computers for free. Residents may also drop off a maximum of three chargeable items per city address over the course of one calendar year, at no charge. These items include TVs (CRT, projection, and non-LCD/plasma), CRT monitors and consoles.

ROOM-TO-ROOM GUIDE TO REUSE AND RECYCLING OPTIONS

Our guide that provides information on how to properly dispose of unwanted household items as well as various recycling services throughout Springfield. Residents may request a paper copy from the Office of Public Works or download the most up-to-date electronic version from www.springfield.il.us/recycling.



EDUCATIONAL & BEAUTIFICATION PROGRAMS



EARTH AWARENESS FAIR

This annual, free, all-ages event brings together city departments, organizations, businesses and individuals to encourage earth stewardship and sustainability. For more information, visit www.springfield.il.us/EarthFair.

EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH

School, organizational, and institutional presentations are available to educate residents on various city-wide programs and topics related to waste and recycling. To schedule a presentation, call the Office of Public Works at 217.789.2255.

ADOPT-A-STREET PROGRAM

This program recognizes the commitment of city volunteers to keep our city's roadways free from litter and debris. The city provides vests, gloves, bags, and pick-up services. To participate, call the Office of Public Works at 217.789.2255 and ask for "Adopt-A-Street."



For up-to-date information about the City of Springfield's Waste & Recycling programs and upcoming events, please visit

www.springfield.il.us/recycling