

Garbage Haulers Serving Long Lake

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Residential Garbage Haulers

Curbside Waste, Inc.	Republic Services	Waste Management
4025 85th Avenue N Brooklyn Park, MN 55443 Phone: 763-504-2872	9813 Flying Cloud Drive Eden Prairie, MN 55347 Phone: 952-941-5174	490 Industrial Boulevard Winsted, MN 55395 Phone: 952-890-1100 - Main Missed Pickups: 1-800-777-8408

Commercial Garbage Haulers

Republic Services	Waste Management
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Garbage and Recycling Cart Reminder - Please Keep Carts Out of the Street

During the winter season, please be sure that when you put your garbage and recycling carts out on pickup dates, you put them out at the end of your driveway and not in the street. Carts in the street are a problem for snow plowing and sanding operations. Year round, garbage and recycling carts do need to be pulled back up to your garages after each pickup has taken place. A big 'thank you' from the Public Works Department for your help with this!

Curbside Organics Collection

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Organics recycling is the collection of food scraps, food-soiled paper, certified compostable products, and other compostable household items (examples: houseplants and flowers, facial tissues, popsicle sticks, and toothpicks). By diverting these products to a commercial compost facility, they can be recycled into nutrient-rich soil instead of ending up in a landfill. If interested in signing up for organics recycling service, please contact your residential garbage hauler - the City's licensed residential refuse haulers are required to make [organics collection services](#) available to their Long Lake customers.

Wondering what you can put in your organics collection bin?

Please [click here to view Hennepin County's Organics Recycling Guide](#).

Organics Recycling/Collection Surcharge on ALL Refuse Hauler Bills

The City of Long Lake has three licensed residential refuse haulers for residents to choose from -- (in alphabetical order) Curbside Waste, Republic Services, and Waste Management. As you receive billings from your hauler for service in 2024, you will notice your bill includes a new surcharge for organics collection.

How did this happen?

Hennepin County requires that curbside recycling service be available to households. Additionally, as of January 2022, Hennepin County required cities to make organics recycling available to all households with curbside recycling service. This requirement was part of revisions the County made to its recycling ordinance ([Ordinance 13](#)) in November 2018. Hennepin County's position is that significantly increasing the collection of organic material is important to achieving [zero waste and climate action goals](#). The County is committed to achieving a zero-waste future, which the County defines as diverting 90% of waste from landfills or incinerators.

The County's ordinance required that cities either contract with a hauler to provide residential curbside organics collection with all households to be charged, regardless of participation; or allowed for cities to require that all licensed residential refuse haulers make organics collection services available to their customers. To comply with this mandate, Long Lake requires licensed residential refuse haulers to make organics recycling available to their Long Lake customers.

Why do I need to pay for this if I don't plan on participating?

Minnesota has a state statute ([Minn. Stat. §115A.93, subd. 3c](#)) requiring that residents who participate in an organics recycling program are not charged more than those who do not participate. Cities are required by Hennepin County to make organics collection available to residents, and state law requires that all residents must be charged for organics recycling service in communities where the service is available. The intent is that making organics recycling service available and paid for by everyone makes the service more affordable for residents overall - and keeping prices affordable encourages residents to participate in an

organics collection program.

Can I opt-out?

Households are not required to participate in the organics program, but unfortunately, households are not able to opt out of paying for the program. Similar to recycling, by state law, all residents help cover the cost of the organics recycling program to make it accessible to all households.

Your hauler may have already provided you with information regarding this change; however, if they haven't yet done so, we hope this explains the organics charge you see on your refuse hauler billings. This is the result of state law and Hennepin County organics recycling requirements, and compliance is required by cities.

Residential Recycling

Recycling

The City of Long Lake contracts with Waste Management to provide single-sort curbside residential recycling city-wide.

Waste Management

490 Industrial Boulevard

Winsted, MN 55395

Phone: **952-890-1100** - Main

Missed Pickups / 1-800-777-8408

Print a copy of the complete current [residential recycling schedule](#), which includes single-sort recycling instructions.

Yard Waste, Brush & Leaf Disposal Options

Annual Leaf Pickup and Yard Waste Disposal Resources

Spring and Fall Leaf Pickup Events

City refuse haulers annually provide spring and fall curbside leaf pickup dates along their regular routes at no cost to residents. Once scheduled each year, leaf pickup dates are announced via the CityScene newsletter, and the online City Calendar, and emailed out on the City Listserv. On leaf pickup dates, refuse haulers will pick up bagged leaves and yard waste (no brush) at the curb - residents are encouraged to set out their bagged materials for disposal

early on those days. **IMPORTANT!** Leaves and yard waste must be bagged in compostable bags only - no other bags may be accepted. Most home improvement, grocery, and hardware stores now carry compostable bags. Not sure what makes a bag 'compostable'? Please [visit](#) for more information.

Dispose of Compost and Brush at the Plymouth Yard Waste Drop-Off

Long Lake residents may use the City of Plymouth's yard waste drop-off site at no charge; however, you must bring identification (MN driver's license or State ID card) showing your Long Lake address with you as you will be asked to provide your residency. Residents must be prepared to debag materials at the yard waste site themselves. Bags may not be left at the site and must be taken home with you. Free mulch and compost will be available on a "first come" basis.

Plymouth Yard Waste Drop-Off

14900 23rd Avenue N

Plymouth, MN 55447

Phone: **763-509-5950**

Materials accepted at the site are spring/fall lawn rakings and thatch, leaves, soft vegetative garden waste, and tree waste (dirt must be removed from any roots).

Unacceptable materials are lumber, sod, soil, and any other items not listed above.

Please call the [number](#) or visit the [Plymouth Yard Waste Drop-Off website](#) using the link provided for open hours and additional information.

Dispose of Household Hazardous Waste

How to Dispose of Household Hazardous Waste

Some products we have in our homes contain hazardous materials that can harm our health or the environment if not disposed of safely. This includes unwanted chemical products that are flammable, toxic or dangerous when combined with other products. Read the label - look for the words *caution, warning, danger, poison, flammable, reactive, corrosive or toxic* on the label of products that require special disposal.

Household hazardous wastes include:

- **Automotive fluids** - antifreeze, carburetor cleaner, brake and transmission fluid, degreasers, fuels and oil

- **Household, lawn and garden products** - cleaning products, drain cleaner, oven cleaner, paints, stains and thinners, pesticides and herbicides
- **Personal care products** - hair spray, nail polish remover, perfume

[Hennepin County Drop-Off Facilities](#) accept a wide variety of household hazardous waste items year-round. Additionally, [Hennepin County organizes collection events](#) throughout the year to give residents more convenient local disposal options for their household hazardous wastes. Please note that at these household hazardous waste collection events, the County doesn't accept electronics.

Additional Recycling Resources

Hennepin County Environmental Services

[Household A-Z How to Get Rid of It Guide](#)

[Business A-Z How to Get Rid of It Guide](#)

[Choose to Reuse Directory](#)

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