

Golden Waste Transition Announcement





SUMMER 2021 NEWSLETTER

The City of Golden's Waste and Recycling Program is Changing

Your same services will continue with a new hauler, Republic Services, to start on September 1st, 2021

All Golden residents participating in the City of Golden Waste and Recycling Program will continue to use your City of Golden carts you currently have when the new program begins.

Highlights of the new Solid Waste Program:

- Addition of Organics collection for every household that is participating in the city program. Organics will be collected on an every-other-week schedule, alternating weeks with Recycle.
- ✓ One (1) Free Large Item Pickup per household per year
- ✓ Improvements to Alley Collection
- V Day of Service Changes. Service beginning September 1, 2021, will be on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.
- ✓ New Pricing. Rates are changing and will be mailed out in early August. Organics collection is included in the new pricing and is not extra.

Golden City Council recently added Organics collection for all residents participating in the city-wide program. Organics collection will provide greater access to all residents and will achieve even greater waste diversion towards Golden's 80% goals.

Timeline

August – Choose your Organics collection cart size Late August – Cart deliveries September 1 – New service begins

Your Service Days

Currently, the City's trash services takes place on Monday through Friday. Starting September 1, 2021, services will be provided Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, between the hours of 7 a.m. - 7 p.m. Republic Services will provide route maps and service day-specific calendars in August prior to the launch of the collection services.

What time should my carts be out on service day?

- Please have your carts out at the curb or in the alley no later than 7 a.m. Drivers will begin their collection promptly at 7 a.m.
- Place carts at least 2 feet apart and with 6 feet of space between any other objects at the curb.



How can I choose the new Organics Cart size?

Additional Services

Curbside Leaf and Branch

Semi-Annual Yard Waste Pickup. Similar to previous years, Golden will continue to provide a Spring and Fall leaf and branch pickup. Please watch for details about the next planned curbside pickup in November.

Large Item Pickup

New each year, Golden residents will now receive one free large item pickup per household per year. See a list of eligible items on the City's website at **Cityofgolden.com**. Additional large item pick up requests will be charged \$20 per item and will be charged directly by Republic.

Helpful Recycling & **Organics** Tips

Organics 101: How can I participate in the organics collection? Similar to the recycling services, simply put any items on the list of acceptable materials in the new green Organics collection cart.

Acceptable materials include: grass, leaves, weeds, small branches, yard waste trimmings, food scraps, compostable paper products, bones, meat, food scraps, bones, coffee filters and grounds, eggs and eggshells, facial tissue, fish, flowers, greasy pizza boxes, houseplants, leaves, meat, paper bags, paper cups, paper napkins, paper plates, paper take-out boxes, paper towels, plant trimmings, shredded paper, small branches, spoiled or moldy food, tea bags, tissue paper, waxed cardboard, wax paper, weeds, wooden chopsticks

Recycling 101: What materials are accepted in the blue Recycling cart? Plastics #1-#7.

Check the bottom of the container. If you see the recycling symbol with a #1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, or 7 in the center, it is acceptable. Metal containers, including aluminum cans, pie and baking pans, tin cans, steel food containers, EMPTY aerosol cans and lids. Cardboard boxes including corrugated cardboard, shipping boxes, cereal and dry food boxes, shoe boxes, tissue boxes, moving boxes, detergent boxes, soda/beer cartons and paper towel/toilet tissue rolls. Paper items including newspapers, mail, magazines, paperback books and brown paper bags. Glass containers including bottles and jars with no lids and generally clean of all food and liquid waste.

All Golden residents participating in the city-wide solid waste program will receive a new Organics collection cart as part of the city program. Organics will be available in two cart sizes, 32-gallon (small) and 96-gallon (large). Households will receive a postcard shortly providing more detail on the Organics program, pricing and the cart selection process.

Available Cart Sizes



32-Gallon

H: 32" W: 18" D: 37" Holds three 13-gallon waste bags



For more information, please see the Golden website.



All Golden carts are dark gray with colored lids to designate specific waste streams. Orgnaic carts will have a green lid stamped Organics Only.



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Contact Your Local Service Agent for More Information

Republic Services agents are dedicated to the City of Golden solid waste program and will be the main point of contact for any issue, concern or service request.

The Golden Customer Service can be reached by email at: Customerservicedenver@ RepublicServices.com