

City of Louisville

Recycling, Compost and Solid Waste Guide for Residential Customers

2026-2027 Service and Rates
Reduce, Reuse and Recycle

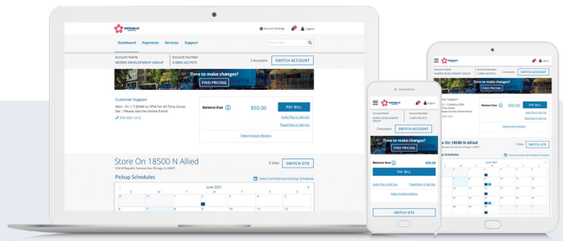
REPUBLIC SERVICES
Sustainability in Action

City of Louisville

Welcome to the City of Louisville Pay-as-You-Throw Recycling, Compost and Solid Waste Guide for Residential Customers

Services

- Trash is collected weekly.
- Recycling and compost are collected every other week. Please refer to the calendar.
- Your monthly rate depends on your trash cart size (35-, 65- or 95-gallon) and is billed out on the City of Louisville utilities invoice.
- Get an option for weekly recycling and/or compost service by opting in. Residents will be invoiced directly by Republic Services on a quarterly basis.
- Participate in annual spring and fall curbside leaf and branch events.
- Participate in an annual late summer bulk item event.
- Get 1 free quarterly bulk item pickup.
- Get collection for cart contents only, unless trash tags are purchased at 900 Via Appia (Recreation Center). Each tag is good for one 35-gallon trash bag.
- A trash tag costs $4.20 each.
- The trash tag bag will be collected on your normal service day. Bags outside of your cart without a trash tag will not be collected.
- Louisville Customer Service: **303.286.5400**
- Please visit: **RepublicServices.com/municipality/Louisville-co**
- Visit **RepublicServices.com/Schedule** to find your recycling, compost and trash schedule.



Download Our Sustainability Guide

Sign Up for Recycling, Compost and Trash Alerts

Get notifications from Republic Services about service announcements, holiday schedule delays, inclement weather delays and more in two easy steps!

1. Visit **RepublicServices.com/account** to log in or create an account.
2. Click Sign Up, and follow the prompts to start receiving notifications.

Go to Google Play or the Apple Store to download the “Republic Services” mobile app.

Upcoming Events

Events are for all residents

Fall Leaf and Branch Curbside Cleanup

- Saturday, October 17, 2026, serviced on Monday–Wednesday
- Saturday, October 24, 2026, serviced on Thursday- Friday
- Saturday, October 30, 2027, serviced on Monday–Wednesday
- Saturday, November 6, 2026, serviced on Thursday-Friday

Spring Leaf and Branch Curbside Cleanup

- Saturday, April 17, 2027, serviced on Monday–Wednesday
- Saturday, April 24, 2027, serviced on Thursday–Friday

Fall and spring cleanup includes up to 20 paper compostable bags and 5 bundles of branches and tree limbs cut to 4 ft. lengths, and no more than 18 in. diameter, tied with rope or twine. Please have items out by 7 a.m. in the street/gutter area. There’s no alley pickup.

Summer Curbside Bulk Pickup

- Saturday, August 21, 2027, serviced on Monday–Wednesday
- Saturday, August 28, 2027, serviced on Thursday–Friday

Bulk items are defined as items set out for curbside collection that do not fit into a 35-gallon cart.

Please have items out by 7 a.m. in the street/gutter area. There are no alley pickups.

- Limit of five bulk items per household.
- Please place all items curbside. If possible, please bag or bundle materials.
- Bags/bundles should not exceed 50 lbs.
- Please cut all material to lengths of no more than 4 ft.

The following items will not be collected:

- × Freon®-containing appliances
- × Electronic items
- × Hazardous waste

Holidays

Republic Services observes the following holidays: **New Year’s Day, Memorial Day, 4th of July, Labor Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas**. During a holiday week (■), when a service falls on a holiday or the day after, collection will be delayed by one day. If the holiday falls on a Saturday or Sunday, there is no service day delay. Your normal schedule will resume the following week.

Cart Placement

- Please place carts out for service by 7 a.m.
- Place carts at least 3 feet apart and 5 feet between any other objects at the curb.
- Place carts with the front of the cart facing the street or alley.
- Please avoid placing carts under overhangs and wires.
- Remove carts from the street or alley as soon as possible after collection.



City of Louisville, Service Rates



35-gallon
H: 36”W W: 19.7”D D: 26.3”

$24.01/mo. for trash
Holds three 13-gal. waste bags

Includes: 35-gal. trash cart



65-gallon
H: 36”W W: 19.7”D D: 26.3”

$40.71/mo. for trash
Holds six 13-gal. waste bags

Includes: 65-gal. trash cart



95-gallon
H: 36”W W: 19.7”D D: 26.3”

$57.41/mo. for trash
Holds ten 13-gal. waste bags

Includes: 95-gal. trash cart

All carts include up to one 95-gal. recycling cart and/or compost cart
*Effective through August 31, 2027

Additional Cart Monthly Rates
If you are currently using a large 95-gallon trash cart, additional carts are available, if your needs require.

Extra Carts	35-gal.	65-gal.	95-gal.
Trash	$16.70/mo.	$33.40/mo.	$50.10/mo.
Recycling/ Compost	$3.85/mo.	$7.70/mo.	$11.55/mo.

Extra Materials Tag Cost & Where to Buy
If you periodically have extra waste but not enough to increase your cart size, trash tags are available at the Recreation Center (900 Via Appia) for $4.20 each (cash, credit/debit or check). Tags must be placed on each 35-gallon trash bag for collection on your normal service day. Bags without tags will not be collected.

Cart Size Changes
Call **303.286.5400** to upgrade to our 95-gal. recycling and compost carts at no charge. Pay less on your monthly trash bill by reducing your trash cart size, while still keeping your current 95-gal. recycling and compost carts. Cart change requests need to be made by the 25th of the month for the next month’s cart delivery. Republic Services honors three exchanges per year at no additional charge. A fee of $18.68 will apply outside of the three free swaps.

Additional Service Weekly Compost/ Recycling Opt-In
Residents can opt in to weekly compost and/ or recycling service. Republic Services will invoice residents directly on a quarterly basis at $8.80/mo. for recycling service. This is optional, not required.

*Rates are subject to change, per our contract with the City of Louisville

Know What to Throw

What to Put in Your Recycling, Trash & Compost Carts



Recycling
Empty and rinse. Place items loose in your recycling cart, not in bags.

- ✓ Plastic: empty bottles, tubs, jars and cans
- ✓ Paper and cardboard: flatten all cardboard
- ✓ Metal: aluminum cans, pie pans and steel cans
- ✓ Glass: bottles and jars
- × No plastic bags or wrap; no food; no liquid



Trash
- ✓ Plastic bags and wrappers
- ✓ Plastic utensils and straws
- ✓ Styrofoam™
- ✓ Ceramics and glassware
- ✓ Diapers, pet waste and kitty litter: bagged
- ✓ Loose lids, caps and tops: less than 3” wide



Compost
- ✓ Yard and plant trimmings: grass clippings, leaves, small branches and plant trimmings
- ✓ Food scraps: coffee grounds, egg shells, fruit and vegetable peelings
- × No metal, glass, plastic or paper



No Hazardous Materials
Products labeled with “CAUTION,” “WARNING” or “POISON” require hazardous material disposal.

These items are not accepted in any cart.

- × Automotive fluids
- × Fluorescent light bulbs and tubes
- × Paint and solvents
- × Batteries
- × Flammable gas containers
- × Lawn chemicals and pesticides
- × Compact fluorescent (CFL) bulbs

Recycling Tips

- Empty plastic prescription bottles with caps re-attached can be placed in your curbside recycling cart.
- Plastic shopping bags are not recyclable at the curb and can jam the sorting machine at the recycling facility.
- Remove carts from the street or alley as soon as possible after collection.
- Videos and helpful tips on recycling can be found at **ecocycle.org** and **Bouldercounty.gov/environment/recycling**.

Additional Tips and Services

Composting Tips

- When cleaning your compost cart, use a hose and natural cleaner (soap can damage the local ecosystem).
- Use vinegar, lemon juice and baking soda to sanitize and deodorize your cart.
- Apply finished compost to your garden area about 2-4 weeks before you plant, giving the compost time to integrate and stabilize within the soil.
- Lawn clippings and food scraps are 80% water and need to be mixed with woody waste to keep from becoming a slimy mess. Alternate green and brown waste in your compost cart.



Composting Guidelines (place items out by 7 a.m.)

- Leave items out regardless of the weather.
- Place items curbside in the street gutter.
- Place leaves in compostable or brown/kraft paper yard waste bags.
- Bundle tree limbs/brush with twine/rope. Bundles cannot be more than 4' in length and 18" in diameter.

Unacceptable Composting Items

- ✕ Items that are placed on the sidewalk, driveway, yard or alley
- ✕ Leaves placed in plastic bags
- ✕ Tree stumps placed curbside
- ✕ Bundles thicker than 18" in diameter
- ✕ Tree limbs/brush that are not bundled with twine/rope

Bulk Items

- One free bulk item per quarter must be scheduled with Republic Services customer service at **303.286.5400**.
- Additional bulk items can be scheduled for a fee, and prepayment is needed in advance.
- Mattresses and box springs, large household appliances (not containing Freon®) - $38.16
- Sofas, chairs, furniture, barbecue grills, etc. -$27.48
- Electronics, tires and hazardous waste will not be accepted.
- Lithium batteries and appliances with batteries will not be accepted.

Hard-to-Recycle Items

If you need to dispose of appliances containing Freon® (such as refrigerators, freezers or air conditioners), as well as electronics, small appliances or hard-to-recycle plastics, please contact:

Eco-Cycle CHaRM
303.444.6634
6400 Arapahoe Road, Boulder, CO 80303

Xcel Energy
Co.my.xcelenergy.com/s/residential/home-services/refrigerator-recycling
Xcel Energy gives residents a pickup option and $50 rebate.

Paint Disposal Options

Visit **PaintCare.org** to find a place to drop off your leftover paint.

2027 Collection Calendar

Holiday | One-day delay | Orange recycling week | Blue recycling week

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If your service day falls on or after a holiday, you will experience a one-day delay in service.



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