Department of Public Works Trash Collection

The City contracts with Priority Waste for residential waste management in Lawrence. To contact Priority directly, call either **855-WASTE-65 (855-927-8365)** or **586-228-1200.**



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Hello Lawrence Residents!

We are excited to announce that on December 1, 2023 the City of Lawrence will partner with Priority Waste to provide residential waste and recycling collection.

Collection days will remain the same and residents will continue to use the current toters until after the end of the year. More details regarding the removal of existing

toters as well as delivery of new toters and related schedule will be provided to residents in the upcoming weeks.

Use the menu on the left to find out information about trash & solid waste information.

For information regarding hazardous waste drop offs, <u>click here</u>.

Frequently Asked Questions

- 1. Who is the new trash vendor and when would the service for residents change to this new vendor? The new vendor is Priority Waste. Priority will begin servicing Lawrence residents on December 1, 2023.
- How was Priority Waste selected? Pursuant to Indiana law, Priority Waste was selected by the City's Board of Public Works and Safety after an extensive Request for Proposals and evaluation process.
- 3. Will the monthly rate go up? Trash rates will remain at their 2023 levels at this time, maintaining the rates of \$15 for standard rate and \$9 for seniors.
- 4. **How do I qualify for a senior discount?** The senior citizen discount is available to one- and two-person households where one or both persons have attained 65 years of age.
- 5. How do I apply for the senior discount and what documentation should I provide to get the discounted rate? To apply for the senior discount call DPW at 317-545-8787 or send an email to permits@cityoflawrence.org. Applicants shall reside within Lawrence city limits and shall provide a copy of their driver's license. The driver's license name should match the account name that the City has on file for utility bill payment.
- 6. Starting January 2024, how much would an additional toter and a replacement toter cost? Each additional toter will be billed at \$1.25 per month. Replacement toters are \$60.00 each.
- 7. Will I get new trash and recycling toters? If so, how do I get rid of the current toter/toters? Yes, all residents will receive new trash and recycling toters. The current toters will be removed when the new toters are delivered. We anticipate this occurring in early 2024. Until then, the residents will continue using the current toters. Further information regarding this will be made available in the upcoming weeks.
- 8. Do I have to request for additional toters again, and if so, how do I do that? Each household will automatically receive one trash and one recycle toter. Additional toters will be available upon request once delivery to all households has been completed. Each additional toter will be billed \$1.25 per month. If a replacement toter is needed, they are \$60.00 each. Extra toter or replacement toter requests must be made via this link: <u>https://www.cityoflawrence.org/request-trash-recycle-toter</u> or by contacting DPW at 317-545-8787.
- 9. What about lawn and leaf collection? In an effort to help reduce the overall waste being sent to the landfill and avoid an increase in cost for trash service, the pickup of leaves was reduced to 2 times per year, April, and November at 15 bags

each month. Yard waste can still be put into your toter each week with your regular trash.

- 10. When can we put out heavy trash/bulk items? In the Spring and Fall of each year heavy trash/bulk collection will be available to residents at no additional cost. Each property will be allowed to place three (3) items at the curb in the Spring, three (3) in the Fall. The dates for the "free" collection will be communicated in the near future.
 - In addition to the spring and fall free collection times, residents shall be able to call Priority to schedule bulk collection for a fee, any time of the year. To do that, you will need to pay and schedule at least 48 hours in advance *before* placing item(s) out for collection. Call Priority at 855-WASTE-65 (855-927-8365) or 586-228-1200 to schedule your items. If you are not sure about an item, please call 855-WASTE-65 (855-927-8365).
- 11. What items are not acceptable for collection? There are excluded items not permitted for collection at the curb. These include, but are not limited to, building refuse, construction debris, bricks, and concrete blocks. When scheduling your bulk collection, our staff is happy to cover any exclusions to this program.