

Community Meetings and Important Dates

Attend a Community Meeting to Learn More!

Please join members from the City of Oceanside and Waste Management at a community meeting or event to learn more about the new recycling program. Samples of the various sized carts will be available at each event. The following events will be held this fall:

Thursday, September 29, 2011 6 to 8 p.m. Civic Center Library Community Rooms 300 North Coast Hwy., Oceanside	Saturday, October 8, 2011 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Senior Expo at the El Corazon Senior Center 3302 Senior Center Drive, Oceanside	Wednesday, October 12, 2011 5 to 7 p.m. Melba Bishop Recreation Center 5306 North River Road, Oceanside
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If you cannot make a community meeting, you can see the new carts at any of the following locations:

- Waste Management of North County
2141 Oceanside Blvd., Oceanside
Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- City of Oceanside
City Operations Center
4925 Oceanside Blvd., Oceanside
Monday – Friday, 7:30 a.m. – 4 p.m.
- City of Oceanside
Cashier's Office
300 N. Coast Hwy., Oceanside
Monday – Thursday, 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- El Corazon Senior Center
3302 Senior Center Drive, Oceanside
Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Important Upcoming Dates

Date	Description	Location/Day
September 19 – October 28	Cart selection and review	
October 28	Deadline to select carts	
January 9 – February 3	Cart deliveries on service day	On regular service day
January 9 – February 3	Removal of recycling crates curbside	On regular service day
January 16 – February 10	Automated collection begins	On regular service day
January 16 – February 10	Removal of trash cans	On regular service day
May 10	Deadline to request cart exchange at no charge	

For more information please call or visit:

Oceanside Recycling Hotline – 760-435-5015, www.ci.oceanside.ca.us

Waste Management Customer Service – 760-439-2824, <http://northcounty.wm.com>



Clean, Green Vehicles

Beginning in 2012, Waste Management will transition to the use of Compressed Natural Gas fueled collection vehicles for all collection pickups. These new fuel-efficient vehicles will replace the existing diesel fueled trucks.

When fully implemented, this clean air solution will result in a reduction of emissions equivalent to removing more than 3,100 cars from Oceanside roadways every day! This change will have a significant impact on reducing the City's carbon footprint.



New Recycling Carts Rolling Your Way! Details Inside!

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New Carts Coming Your Way!



Waste Management
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Easier Than Ever to Reduce, Reuse and Recycle!

August 18, 2011

Dear Resident,

I am pleased to announce that beginning in January of 2012, all residents will receive new trash and recycling carts to make recycling and solid waste collection easy and effective. The City of Oceanside is transitioning from manual residential collection to a new automated trash and recycling collection system. The new collection system provides enhanced convenience for residents and increases recycling capabilities.

With your help and these new carts – gray for trash, blue for recycling and green for yard waste collections – recycling will be simple and fast. The new carts are easier to roll to the curb and hold more. Instead of having to separate your bottles, cans, and plastics, from paper and cardboard, as you have done so with your recycling crates in the past, you can now put them all together in your blue recycling cart, making recycling much easier to do. The carts will be provided for you, so there will be no need to buy additional trash cans. Several convenient sizes are available in each of the cart types.

Please read this entire brochure to learn about automated collection, how to select the carts that best meet the needs of your family, and what products go in each cart. Next month you will receive information on how to select your carts, when they will arrive, and how to turn in your recycling crates. We invite you to attend one of the community meetings being held this fall so you can see in person the three different sized carts that are available, and get answers to any questions you may have.

Through your participation in recycling and waste reduction, Oceanside has successfully met California's State Mandate which requires a 50% diversion rate. As a result of our success, and our City's commitment towards the Green Oceanside campaign, we are now moving forward with the City's newly adopted Zero Waste goals, which calls for a 75% diversion rate by 2020. With your participation in our enhanced services, it will be easier than ever to increase the amount you recycle and reduce how much goes into the landfill, moving us closer towards our Zero Waste goals.

Sincerely,

Jim Wood
Mayor

Automated collection is a safer, faster system where the vehicle is equipped with an automatic arm that reaches out and empties the carts directly into the rear of the vehicle, without the driver leaving the vehicle. This means all material must be placed inside the carts for collection.



How to Choose the Right Carts for Your Family

You can make a difference by recycling as much as possible - the new color-coded carts and all-in-one recycling bin make it easier than ever!

Trash, recycling and green waste carts are available in three sizes so you can select the carts that will work best for your family. New, automated pickup will require that all waste and recycling fit inside the carts with the lids closed for collection. After the new carts are delivered, residents will no longer be permitted to place bags, cans, crates, or loose materials at curbside for pick up.



Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle – Helps you pick your size!

The enhanced services provide you with several options to reduce your trash cart size and to recycle. The different options in recycling carts and green waste carts will make it easier than ever to recycle. The new blue recycling carts will allow you to place all of your recyclables in one convenient container, eliminating the need to separate your bottles, cans, and plastics from your paper and cardboard. The larger recycling carts will also make it easier to fit folded cardboard boxes and other large recyclables that proved difficult with the smaller crates. The simplest way to reduce your trash cart collections is to utilize your blue recycling cart and green waste cart as much as possible. Please see the center page of this brochure to learn more about all the materials in our City that are recyclable at your home.

For homes with one to two individuals or for individuals with physical limitations, the small cart may be the best option. For a family of four, the medium cart is a common choice. For larger families, the 96-gallon cart may be the best option. The new carts will be provided at no charge. Families will still pay the same monthly rate of \$19.44. However, individuals or families who opt for the small cart will receive a reduced rate for each month, rewarding those who recycle and generate less trash. Further details about the reduced rate will be provided in the upcoming September mailing.

Green Waste Carts

The new trash and recycle carts will be in addition to your current green waste carts. If you wish to change the size of your green waste cart, or you do not currently have one, you will be provided the option to order from the three sizes listed above. For homes with average size lots, the small or medium carts are recommended. For homes with large lots and extensive landscaping, the largest cart may be most suitable. Please remember green waste recycling is key towards meeting our State diversion mandate and our City’s Zero Waste goals.

Ordering New Carts

In approximately the next four weeks, you will receive a mailer with more information about the automated program, which will include a form to order your carts. To see the various sized carts in person, attend one of the upcoming community meetings or visit the City or Waste Management offices where they will be on display.

If you are not satisfied with your initial cart order, there will be a 90-day free exchange period. After that time, residents may change the size of their carts once per year at no charge. Please note it is important to choose your cart size wisely, to recycle appropriately, to avoid overloads or a service increase.



Where Does it Go?

Recycle

You can now place it in one cart!

- Plastic containers
- Water bottles/juice bottles/milk jugs
- Aluminum/tin cans
- Cardboard/12-pack soda boxes
- Junk mail/magazines/phone books
- Glass bottles/jars
- Newspapers/inserts/magazines
- Office papers
- Cardboard egg cartons
- Empty aerosol cans
- Pie tins
- Computer/white paper
- Coupons
- Brown paper bags
- Cereal boxes (lining removed)
- Tissue boxes
- Clean pizza boxes
- Laundry detergent boxes/bottles



Reuse
Recycling saves resources



Recycle plastic bags at your local grocery store

Green Waste

- Lawn clippings
- Leaves and weeds
- Tree branches and shrubs
- Garden trimmings
- Sawdust
- Wood (untreated, not painted)



Compost
Greens become compost
Free compost for Oceanside residents at El Corazon compost facility

Trash

- Waxed paper
- Food wrapping
- Ceramic dishware and pots
- Floor sweepings
- Candy wrappers
- Paper towels and tissues
- Broken glass and mirrors
- Styrofoam packing peanuts and foam
- Food waste*
- Dirty or food soiled paper*



Landfill
Trash goes into landfills

* These materials are compostable.

Community Recycling Programs

Participate in the following recycling and diversion programs to reduce your trash and recycling collections, and help our city achieve its zero waste goals!

NEW! Curbside Cell Phone and Household Battery Collection – This new program is being introduced with the transition to the automated cart collection. Residents may place unwanted cell phones and used household batteries in a clear plastic storage bag and place them on top of their recycle cart for collection. For added safety, remove any personal data from your phone before collection. Used batteries accepted for collection are AA, AAA, C, D, 9-volt, Alkaline, Rechargeable, Lithium and coin cells, and small button-size.

NEW! Electronic Waste (E-Waste) Collection and Drop-off – Residents have two ways to recycle electronic items such as televisions, computers, printers and fax machines. Waste Management will retrieve up to five e-waste items three times annually at curbside. To schedule an e-waste pick up, please contact Waste Management at 866-WM RECYCLE or 760-439-2824 at least 24 hours in advance of your collection day. E-Waste may also be dropped off at Waste Management’s buyback center, Tuesday through Saturday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at no charge. Proof of Oceanside residency is required.

NEW! Sharps Drop-off and Mail Back – There are several safe disposal options for individuals who require medication at home that are administered through needles, lancets or syringes. Residents can continue to utilize the free drop off container at the Waste Management Buyback Center located at 2880 Industry Street, Tuesday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. To ensure safe disposal residents are required to place their items in a red biohazard container with a sealed top or in a see-through container like a water bottle or milk jug with the top taped. In the coming months additional Sharps kiosks will be available in a selected number of City facilities for the safe drop-off of these items. Once these kiosks are operational, a notice will be given with the location and the guidelines for proper disposal. Waste Management also provides a Sharps mail back program for convenient disposal from home. Please visit <http://medwaste.wm.com/> for more information or to place an order for a mail back container.

Bulky Item Collection – For items that are too large to fit into trash carts, Waste Management will retrieve up to five large items such as furniture or appliances three times annually. Advance notice is required. To schedule a bulky item pick up, contact Waste Management at 866-WM RECYCLE or 760-439-2824 at least 24 hours in advance of your regular collection day. Twice annual bulky item citywide cleanups occur in the spring and fall, and residents can place items out at no charge during those weeks. Cleanup weeks are posted on the Waste Management and City’s websites.

Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off – For safe disposal of items such as paints, household and yard chemicals, car batteries, fluorescent tubes, thermostats, and other hazardous and toxic material, a free drop-off is available every other Saturday, by appointment only. Residents may bring 15 gallons or 125 pounds of material for drop off at one time. To schedule an appointment, contact Waste Management at 866-WM RECYCLE or 760-439-2824. NOTE: Oceanside residents can bring used motor oil, antifreeze and oil filters to the recycling center Tuesday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., without an appointment. Proof of Oceanside residency is required.

Holiday Tree Collection – Holiday trees are collected curbside for the first two weeks following Christmas on your regular collection day. Trees taller than six feet must be cut in half. Please remove all decorations including tinsel, lights, ornaments and tree stands. Place the tree at the curb. Flocked trees cannot be recycled, so they will be collected by your trash collector on your regular collection day.

Buyback Center – Located at 2880 Industry St., the buyback center is open Tuesday through Friday, between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Residents can bring CRV aluminum cans, plastic and glass bottles, newspaper, mixed paper and cardboard to recycle. Also accepted are used household batteries, used motor oil, antifreeze and oil filters. Proof of Oceanside residency is required for the drop-off of used motor oil, filters and antifreeze.

