



# Caring for Our Community

## City of Fernley



Winter 2024 Newsletter

## Behind The Steering Wheel: Insights from a Fernley Driver

As members of the community, our drivers take immense pride in their work. Beyond collecting garbage, they are dedicated to making each route a place worth cherishing. From their robust rigs, they create strategic solutions to the daily challenges encountered on the road, going above and beyond to address even the unexpected needs of our customers. Meet Chris S., a resident of Fernley and WM Driver, who has been proudly serving the community since 2006.



### Chris S.

Chris, like many of the kids he meets on his route, always dreamed of becoming a garbage truck driver. A resident of Fernley for 18 years, he has spent 17 of them working at WM. Despite his love for the job, one of the most challenging aspects is handling heavy cans.

#### *Chris's Safety and Service Message to all residents:*

"Please don't overfill your carts. It litters the streets and makes our work more challenging. I also would like residents to know that breaking down cardboard boxes makes our job easier."



#### KEEP THE LID CLOSED

Materials must fit inside the cart. Avoid overfilling it to decrease litter, prevent animal hazards and stormwater pollution.



#### BREAK DOWN BOXES

Flattened boxes occupy less space, creating additional room in your cart. They are also easier for drivers to handle.



#### CLEAR THE ACCESS

Set carts in the street, with wheels against the curb, always three feet apart from other objects or obstructions.



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## Get Set for 2024: A Roadmap for a Hassle-Free Beginning of Year

To help you navigate the challenges of the new year, we have put together a comprehensive list of tips that will guarantee stress-free access to the waste disposal services you need. No matter how much waste you are handling, be sure to follow these guidelines to prevent litter and keep the community clean.

### CHRISTMAS TREE DISPOSAL

The City of Fernley will accept natural Christmas trees for free recycling at the Out of Town Park Rodeo Grounds from Dec. 26, 2023 to Jan. 12, 2024. Trees can be dropped off in the sectioned-off area, Monday to Friday, from 8 am to 5 pm. Trees **must** be free of any decorations, nails, stands, or flocking. Please follow the guidelines to allow the City to continue this program.



### EXTRA WASTE VOUCHER

WM offers residents one free voucher to dispose of up to three cubic yards of waste in a single load at our Fernley Transfer Station. To access this service, customers must present a utility bill or driver's license matching the service address, and they should be up to date with their bill payments. Vouchers will be sent to residents at the beginning of 2024.

### RECYCLING DROP-OFF

Residents can drop off recyclables at no additional charge at the Fernley Transfer Station. The facility only accepts aluminum cans, tin cans, paper and cardboard. Please do not bag recyclables to avoid contamination and make sure you only bring acceptable materials.

**Fernley Transfer Station**  
1100, Highway 95A  
Fernley, NV 89408

Tue-Sat: 8 am to 4:30 pm  
Closed: 12 pm to 12:30 pm  
Closed all holidays

