



Curbside News

Newsletter for Bend Garbage & Recycling

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What's New: Premium Ground Cover

Healthy Soils Make Healthy Plants

For the best success with your garden, you need quality soil. Our knowledgeable staff can advise you on the best choices for your needs. Our compost carries the US Composting Council Seal of Testing Assurance to ensure quality and reliability.

Compost is available in bulk and cubic foot bags. We also rent compost spreaders for easy application and convenient delivery.

Our newest product, premium ground cover, is an attractive ground cover comprised of composted wood that's reground and screened. It will provide water retention and work as a weed blocking cover.



Compost spreaders for rent.

For more information, call 541-388-1910 or visit deschutesrecycling.com.



City Yard Debris Service IF IT GROWS, IT GOES!

Yard debris is a yearly subscription service available within the city of Bend. For only \$4.90 a month, you'll receive a 95-gallon yard debris roll cart and curbside collection every other-week.

What is Acceptable?

Grass clippings, pine needles, weeds, brush, trimmings and branches no larger than 2" in diameter and 36" in length. Raw fruit and vegetable scraps are also acceptable in yard debris cart. Please keep yard debris loose in roll cart, do not compact or overfill your cart.



What to Keep Out?

Rocks, sod, dirt, garbage, plastic bags of any kind, plastic wrap, plastic containers, produce stickers, processed or cooked fruits or vegetables, animal waste, food ware (paper plates, plastic cups/utensils), garden hoses and any other kind of garden equipment.

Important Holiday Collection Schedule

Bend Garbage & Recycling collects every holiday except Christmas Day and New Year's Day. **This year all of our customers will be affected by our holiday collection schedule.**

For both holiday weeks, your regular collection day will be one day late. There will be no service on Monday, December 25 or Monday, January 1.

For example, Monday customers will be serviced Tuesday, Tuesday customers serviced Wednesday, Friday customers will be serviced Saturday. For more information on the holiday collection schedule, please contact 541-382-2263.

Commercial Food Waste Compost Program

If you are business within the city limits and are throwing away a lot of food scraps, consider joining the other businesses in Bend that have signed up for our commercial food waste collection program.

Food waste material includes all food waste; meat, seafood, fruits, vegetables, bakery and dairy. We provide food waste carts and will service the carts once or twice a week depending on your needs. The food waste material will be composted at Deschutes Recycling.

Deschutes Brewery is one of our customers and has this to say about the program: "We are happy to be a part of this program by reducing trash and helping to create usable compost." *Chad Berg, Deschutes Brewery Sous Chef.*

Contact our office to schedule a representative to visit your business and review your waste stream and see how our food waste collection service can work for you.

Pay Your Bill Online and Sign up to Go Paperless

Our Online Bill Pay service is an easy way for you to manage your home and business account at your fingertips. Go to www.bendgarbage.com and click on the Online Bill Pay button. Register using the account number and identification number on your monthly billing statement. Once your account is set up, you can also sign up to Go Paperless. For more information, contact our customer service department at 541-382-2263.

Please remember to have your carts out by 6:00 a.m. on your collection day or the night before.



Community Assistance for
Neighbors with Cancer

This spring, the local garbage haulers mailed out donation envelopes and we greatly appreciate the CAN cancer donations that came in!

Thank you for your generosity Bend Garbage & Recycling customers.

100% of those donations will help local families manage day-to-day non-medical expenses, include fuel, travel and food costs, while receiving cancer treatment.

If you are interested in making a tax-deductible donation you can contact St. Charles Foundation at 541-706-6996 or donate online at cancancer.org.

Did You Know?

Recycling guides are available online at bendgarbage.com. Contact our office if you'd like one mailed or if you have any questions about what is acceptable in our local recycling market.

Household Hazardous waste cannot go in your trash cart. Those items must be taken to the HHW Facility at Knott Landfill. For more information on collection days and what items they accept, contact 541-317-3163 or visit deschutes.org/solidwaste.

Plastic bags can be taken to the following stores for recycling: In Bend; all 3 Safeway locations, Albertson's, Fred Meyer, Food For Less, Target, Best Buy, and Lowe's.

In addition to grocery bags, these stores will accept other plastic film, including:

- Plastic shopping bags
- Plastic shipping envelopes
- Bread bags
- Dry cleaning bags
- Case wrap (think case of water bottles)
- Air pillows
- Food storage bags (zip-locks)
- Bubble wrap
- Product over wrap (toilet paper for example)
- Newspaper bags

Find drop off locations by visiting plasticfilmrecycling.org.

Recycling Preparation Guide

95-Gallon Commingle Roll Cart

- **Newspaper** - Anything that comes in the newspaper can be recycled with the newspaper.
- **Magazines, Catalogs, Phonebooks**
- **Plastics** - Rinse clean. No need to flatten.
Acceptable Plastics: Plastic bottles and tubs 6 ounces or larger (except those containing hazardous products or motor oil). Rigid plastic plant pots 4 inches or larger. Plastic buckets of 5 gallons or less, milk jugs.
Non-Acceptable Plastics: Bottle & tub lids, trays, bags and film, large items (i.e. toys), foam/expanded plastics, clamshells and bakery containers, food-contaminated items, "Biodegradable" plastics, cups, plates, silverware, blister packaging, any plastic containers smaller than 6 ounces.

- **Tin/Aluminum** - Cans, jar lids, foil, TV dinner trays, beverage cans. Rinse clean. No need to flatten.
- **Paper bags**
- **Corrugated Cardboard** - Flatten. No waxed or slick coated cardboard.
- **Mixed Paper, Junk Mail & Paper** - Paper, envelopes, white & colored paper, computer paper, tin can labels, wrapping paper (no foil or ribbon), shredded paper (strips only, no confetti). No paper ream wrappers, tissue paper, waxed paper, candy wrappers, snack food bags.

- **Paperboard** - Cereal/cracker/shoe boxes (discard liners), soda and beer cartons, paper egg cartons, paper towel tubes. *No frozen food boxes, paper cups/plates/towels/napkins, pet food bags.*

City Recycling Only

- **Glass (Red & Blue Bins)** - Clear and colored glass bottles and jars. Rinse clean. Labels are okay. No need to separate by color. No dishes, glasses, ceramics or window glass.
- **Motor Oil (Residential only)** - Pour into an unbreakable, leak-proof container (one gallon maximum) with a tight fitting lid. Clearly label container "motor oil" and place next to your recyclables.

Recycling Tips

- Remember glass is collected in both the red & blue bins - **every other week (same day as your commingle recycling).**
 - Plastic grocery bags are not recyclable at the curb. Please recycle at participating grocery stores.
 - Styrofoam peanuts and rigid packing pieces are not recyclable. Please bag Styrofoam peanuts before putting them in garbage roll cart.
- *Most mailing services will accept bagged Styrofoam peanuts for reuse.

Recycle Depot Locations

- Deschutes Recycling, located at Knott Landfill, accepts all items listed above.
- City of Sisters and Deschutes County Transfer Stations accept all items listed above.

Numbers & Web Sites

- Bend Garbage & Recycling**
bendgarbage.com..... 541-382-2263
- High Country Disposal**
highcountrydisposal.com..... 541-548-4984
- Deschutes Recycling**
deschutesrecycling.com..... 541-388-1910
- Knott Landfill Information Line**
..... 541-388-6599
- Department of Environmental Quality**
deq.state.or.us..... 541-388-6146
- The Environmental Center**
envirocenter.org..... 541-385-6908
- Deschutes County Solid Waste Dept.**
deschutes.org/solidwaste
..... 541-317-3163
- Bend ReStore**
bendhabitat.org 541-312-6709
- Redmond ReStore**
redmondhfh.org 541-548-1406
- Sisters ReStore**
sistershabitat.org 541-549-1621



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