



Bureau of Solid Waste

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Mayor's Fall Cleanup 2016

Once again, the Mayor's Fall Cleanup was a success. On Saturday, October 22, the chilly wind and overcast sky did not deter 197 neighborhood groups from coming out to clean and beautify their communities. Mayor Stephanie Rawlings-Blake kicked off the citywide cleanup in West Baltimore's Matthew A. Henson Community. There, the kick-off ceremony took place in the 1500 block of McKean Avenue, where the community has adopted a vacant lot. The Mayor joined community leaders and City officials in planting a tree, signifying the start of the greening process for the vacant lot. Adopting vacant lots and greening them has proven to be one of the most effective deterrents to illegal dumping. It is a visible representation of a community that cares and is watching over their neighborhood to ensure illegal dumping of trash and debris does not occur.

As with every Mayor's Cleanup, the Baltimore City Department of Public Works (DPW) joined with its fellow City agencies, the departments of Transportation and Recreation and Parks, to provide trucks and crews to help volunteers in the participating communities. This year more than 3,400 volunteers worked to collect and remove 40 tons of trash and debris in their neighborhoods. The Mayor's Office of Neighborhoods and the Department of Housing and Community Development also provided much needed support in making this year's Mayor's Fall Cleanup one of the most successful ever. In fact, the total number of participating groups was the second largest ever! The largest number of participants was in 2001, the second year of the Mayor's Cleanups. Many thanks to all of those who came out and joined us!

Holiday Reminders!

In observation of **Election Day, Tuesday, November 8, 2016**, there will be no trash & recycling collections. Citizens' Convenience Centers are closed and there will be no Mechanized Street Sweeping. ***The make-up trash & recycling collection day for the Election Day Holiday will be Saturday, November 12, 2016.***

In observation of **Veteran's Day, Friday, November 11, 2016**, there will be no trash & recycling collections. Citizens' Convenience Centers are closed and there will be no Mechanized Street Sweeping. ***The make-up trash & recycling collection day for the Veteran's Day Holiday will be Monday, November 14, 2016.***

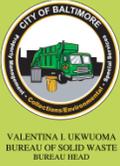
Recycling Bins!

Recycling bins are still available for purchase at the following locations:

- **Canton Ace Hardware**
1022 Binney St.
- **Federal Hill Ace Hardware**
1214 Light St.
- **Waverly Ace Hardware**
601 Homestead St.
- **Falkenhan's Hardware**
3401 Chestnut Ave.
- **DPW Special Services**
111 Kane St.



Recycling Bins are not required to recycle in Baltimore City. Call the Office of Recycling to request a "Recycling Only" sticker to use on any can.



Please don't use plastic bags!

You can use anything as a container for your recyclables **except** plastic bags. Many grocery stores and supermarkets will recycle plastic bags.



Acceptable and Unacceptable Recycling Materials

Acceptable Recycling Materials:

- Aerosol Cans (empty)
- Aluminum: cans, beverage and food containers, foil (clean), and pie pans
- Bottles: narrow-neck bottles
- Cartons (waxed): used for a liquid such as juices, milk or soups
- Glass containers such as bottles and jars (brown, clear or green)
- Metal: beverage and food containers
- Plastic: bottles and jars
- Prescription bottles, including caps
- Steel: beverage containers and food
- Tin: cans and foil

Rigid Plastics

(to be taken to the citizen drop-off centers)

Rigid plastics include milk/soda crates, buckets, laundry baskets, children's toys, etc.

Unacceptable Recycling Materials:

- Cookware and plates (plastic)
- Containers of toxic substances – e.g., cans of motor oil, pesticides, etc.
- Contaminated paper products – e.g., napkins, paper towels, and tissue
- Dry cleaning bags
- Glass (window and mirror)
- Waxed paper

Reminders

Leaf Collections have begun!

Leaf collection began last month and will continue through January 9, 2017. Residents are allowed to set out a maximum of 20 bags of leaves on special Monday collection days. Residents are encouraged to put leaves out in clear or labeled bags for collection. Residents must call 311 before 6 p.m. on a Sunday to schedule a collection for the following Monday. Citizens may also utilize our Drop-Off Locations. Citizens may drop off bagged leaves at the below locations:

Monday through Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.:

1. Quarantine Road Convenience Center – 6100 Quarantine Road
2. Western Convenience Center – 701 Reedbird Avenue
3. Eastern Convenience Center – 6101 Bowleys Lane
4. Northwest Citizens Convenience Center – 2840 Sisson Street

Monday through Saturday from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.:

Northwest Transfer Station – 5030 Reisterstown Road



Mechanical Street Sweeping Program

Citywide Mechanical Street Sweeping is here! DPW's Bureau of Solid Waste is working to make Baltimore City neighborhoods cleaner by sweeping the neighborhood **EVERY WEDNESDAY!** Please do your part to help make Baltimore cleaner and greener by moving your cars so street sweepers can provide a "clean sweep" of our streets.

Monthly Street Sweeping Schedule:

NW & SE Quadrants:

- Odd Sides 1st Wednesdays
- Even Side: 2nd Wednesdays

SW & NE Quadrants

- Odd Sides: 3rd Wednesdays
- Even Sides: 4th Wednesdays



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