

# Fairgrove Township

## Solid Waste Program Update – Summer 2021

### FAIRGROVE TOWNSHIP

Dear Fairgrove Township Resident,

At the May 14, 2021 Board of Trustees meeting, the board approved a new three (3) year agreement with Green For Life Environmental USA INC. (GFL) as the Township's solid waste provider for residential collection and disposal, large bulk waste, and recycling collection and processing.

This new contract began June 1, 2021 and will run through May 31, 2024. Details of the new contract are included in this newsletter and also available online at the Township's website.

Please keep this information in a convenient location. If you should have any questions or need additional information please contact: [GFL Customer Care Center at 844.464.3587](tel:844.464.3587) Monday through Friday from 7:00 am to 5:30 pm.

**HOUSEHOLD SOLID WASTE, BULK COLLECTION, AND EVERY OTHER WEEK RECYCLING  
WILL BE ON MONDAY FOR FAIRGROVE TOWNSHIP**

**All items for pickup (including trash, recycling and bulk waste) must be out by 7:00AM**

### HOUSEHOLD SOLID WASTE

Please place household solid waste out in your plastic bags and/or up to 32 gallon plastic or metal containers, 3-4 feet from mailboxes, trees, shrubs, vehicles or other obstructions by 7:00 am on day of service.

To provide a safe environment in every neighborhood, please remove containers from the collection point as soon as possible following collection. To eliminate spillage and possible injury, please do not overload containers. Should you place out for collection 32 gallon metal or plastic containers, weight limit should not exceed 60 pounds, container and contents. Weight limit on plastic bags should not exceed the manufacturer's recommendations.

### BULKY WASTE–APPLIANCES & FURNITURE

The collection of large bulky waste, such as appliances and furniture, will continue to be part of your solid waste program. You may set out large bulky items on your regular scheduled service day for collection. Please place large bulky items out separate from other products for collection and have out by 7:00AM on day of service. Large items may include: washers, dryers, freezers, refrigerators, air conditioners, hot water tanks, stoves, microwaves, couches, chairs, tables, dressers and other large items.

**Residents using personal rolling carts to transport large bulk items to the road for collections should unload the bulk item and remove their rolling cart.**

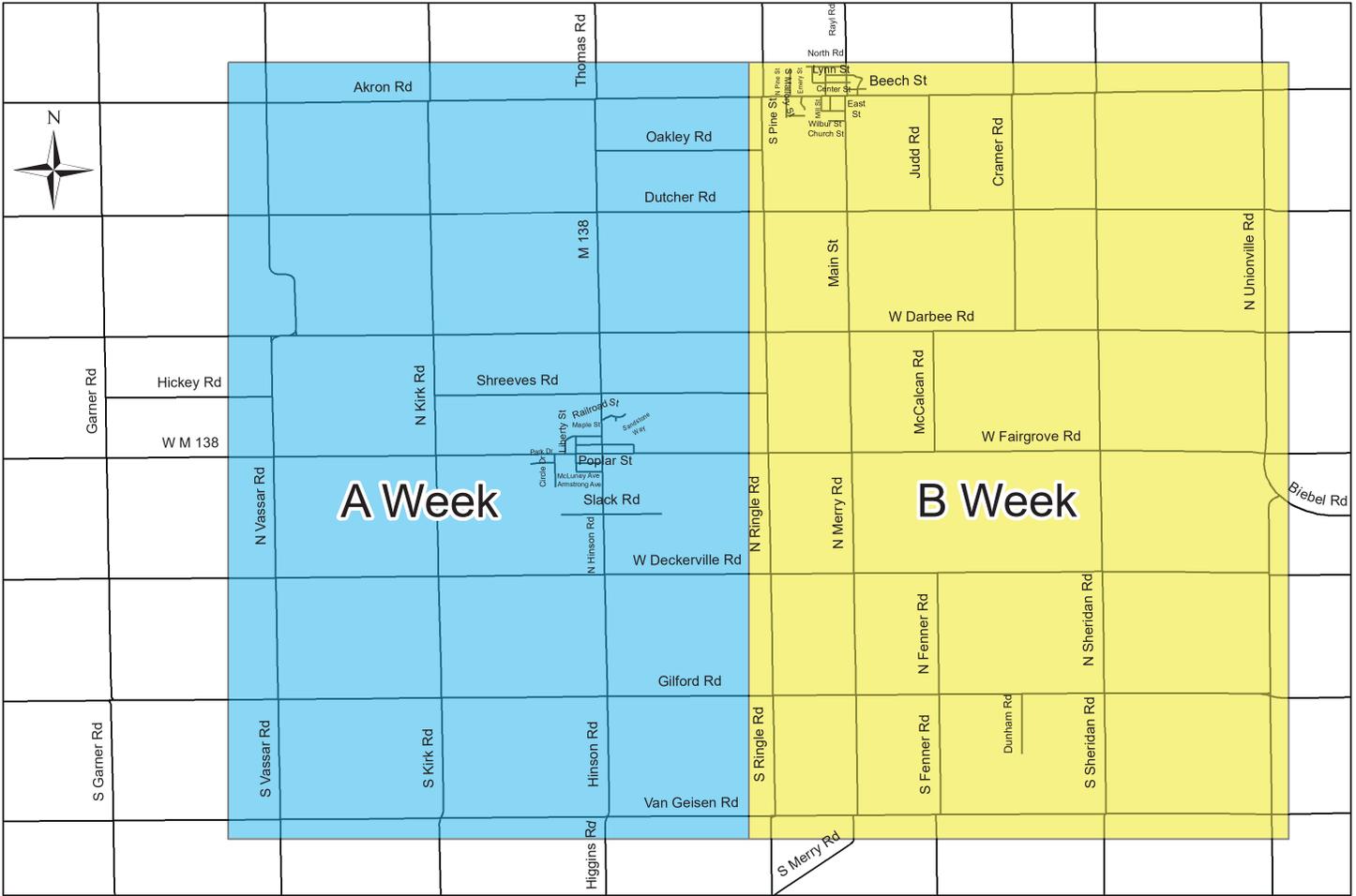
**This would eliminate the accidental removal of your personal property by our collection crew.**

*FYI: Please remove the doors and racks from refrigerators and freezers prior to setting out for collection. Also, GFL is responsible to make sure Freon is extracted according to current environmental standards.*



# EVERY OTHER WEEK RECYCLING PROGRAM CONTINUES...

Important service notice - your existing every other week recycling program continues. Please see attached map to see if your collection day is an A or B week.



## A week

## B week

### JUNE 2021

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### FEBRUARY 2022

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### MARCH 2022

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### APRIL 2022

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REMINDER: Trash collection remains weekly on MONDAY

## CAN I STILL USE MY RECYCLE BIN?

Yes, you can still use your existing recycling bin to store recyclables during the week. All the items may be mingled together. Material must be clean and uncontaminated. Dirty, improperly prepared or unacceptable materials cannot be collected. The bin must be out for pickup by 7:00 a.m. on your regular collection day.



## WHAT CAN I PUT IN MY RECYCLE BIN OR CART?

- Plastics – containers with codes 1 through 7
- Clear & colored glass, no broken glass/panes, drinking glasses. Please remove all plastic and metal lids
- Metal including cans, pots, pans, etc.
- Paper, newspaper, phone books, magazines and brown paper bags
- Cardboard – cut into 2'x 2' pieces and tied in bundles
- Paper board and box board (i.e. cereal, tissue, shoe box) - flattened and stuffed in biggest box or bundled
- Milk or Juice Cartons

## What isn't recyclable?

- Packing materials
- Garbage
- Propane Tanks
- Paint cans
- Medical Waste
- Flammable liquids
- Household cleaners
- Dry or liquid chemicals
- Wood items
- Batteries
- Plastic Bags

## SAFETY

**PORCELAIN PRODUCTS:** Porcelain products can cause serious injury when broken and placed out for collection. If you do have a porcelain product, such as a toilet, sink or tub, and it is broken, please beware and take adequate precautions. Whenever possible, please tape cardboard over the sharp edges and mark accordingly.

**BROKEN GLASS:** If you need to dispose of broken glass, please wrap in several layers of newspaper and mark "Broken Glass Enclosed." *\*Please never place broken glass or other sharp objects in plastic bags.*

**TRAVEL TIPS:** We all share the roadways we travel. Please be extremely careful when approaching one of our trucks, slow down and expect the unexpected. The safety of our employees, customers and the general public is of the utmost importance. We have a zero tolerance for unsafe acts by our employees. If you experience any difficulties, please contact our Customer Care Center at 844.464.3587.

**LATEX PAINT:** Latex paint can be disposed of with your regular household trash if dried or solidified as follows before you set it out at the point of collection. If you only have a small amount of paint left, you can allow it to dry out. Find an area protected from children, pets and the weather but with adequate ventilation. Remove the lid and allow the paint to dry. This works well for small quantities, such as an inch or two. When the paint is thoroughly dry, the remaining hardened material can be placed in your solid waste container. Please leave the lid off so we can see the paint has hardened. For large quantities or partially full cans, mix in equal amounts of absorbent material such as sand, oil dry, or cat litter to solidify the paint prior to collection and disposal.

Please remember: Do not dump paint or any other type of hazardous chemicals on the ground, down a storm drain, or sanitary sewer where it can travel directly to surface and/or ground water or any waterway.

## UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS & HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

We cannot accept any hazardous chemicals that the USEPA considers dangerous and that can catch fire, react or explode when mixed with other substances or if it is corrosive or toxic during the normal weekly collection schedule. This may include: Ammunition, antifreeze, fire extinguishers, gasoline, lacquers, oils, or any other product labeled dangerous, flammable, combustible, poisonous or corrosive.

Disposal of hazardous chemicals with your regular household trash is strictly prohibited. Liquid, powder and/or granular substances, when placed in a plastic bag or carts, could catch fire, cause an explosion, burn or spray when it is compacted into our vehicles or mix with other products and cause serious injury and even fatalities. Please read all directions and precautions prior to use.

Whenever you need to discard containers and/or products leftover, please read all warnings and dispose of according to the manufactures recommendations.

## INTHIS ISSUE:

- Fairgrove Township awards Solid Waste Contract to GFL Environmental USA Inc., starting June 1, 2021
- Introduction to GFL
- Bulk waste collection & safety information
- Recycling Program Continues  
See new every other week collection map and highlighted calendar.
- GFL Holiday Schedule

All of us at GFL are looking forward to continuing our valued relationship with Fairgrove Township, and a smooth, seamless transition starting on June 1, 2021.

We hope that you find this information to be helpful in establishing a safe and efficient solid waste and recycling program. Should you have any questions or need additional information, please contact our **CUSTOMER CARE CENTER** at **844-464-3587**, Monday through Friday between 7:00AM and 5:30PM. You can also visit our website at [GFLUSA.com](http://GFLUSA.com).

Thank you,  
GFL

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## Holiday Schedule

GFL observes the following holidays:

<u>NEW YEARS DAY</u> January 1st	<u>MEMORIAL DAY</u> Last Monday in May	<u>INDEPENDENCE DAY</u> July 4th
<u>LABOR DAY</u> First Monday of September	<u>THANKSGIVING DAY</u> 4th Thursday in November	<u>CHRISTMAS DAY</u> December 25th

Please remember that if a holiday falls on a weekday, your scheduled service day will be delayed by one day. Regular collection will resume the following week.