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By each of us making a small change,
together we can make a big difference.
Thank you, residents, for your commitment to the Green Routine over the last few years. Our waste diversion rate has stayed steady, despite the changes to our program. Our community has shown itself to be adaptable and forward-thinking.

Global attitudes towards waste are changing, and we are increasingly aware that the way we consume and produce waste affects others and not just ourselves.

Being more mindful of how we make purchases, choosing to reduce first, and then reuse, before recycling will ensure as little material as possible ends up in the landfill.

This calendar can help. Within its pages you'll find information on waste collection services and plenty of tips on how to reduce your environmental footprint, minimize your waste, conserve water and more!

Together we will make a difference!

Mayor Rod Frank
Weekly organics collection
Only residents living in the areas listed on this page receive weekly organics collection mid-May to early-October.

Visit strathcona.ca/wastemap to view a larger map.
### Services at a glance

#### Step 1: Sort it out

<table>
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<tr>
<th>What it looks like</th>
<th>What to put in it?</th>
<th>How much?</th>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Green cart</strong></td>
<td>Organics</td>
<td>All organics must fit inside the cart with the lid closed. Materials left outside the cart will not be collected. Cart and contents must weigh less than 200 lbs.</td>
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<td>Kitchen scraps, loose grass clippings</td>
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<td>Complete list on page 5, or check out the Waste Wizard on the website or mobile app.</td>
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<td>Remember NO plastic or biodegradable bags</td>
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<td><strong>Black cart</strong></td>
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<td>All waste must fit inside the cart with the lid closed. Materials left outside the cart will not be collected. Cart and contents must weigh less than 200 lbs.</td>
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<td><strong>Clear blue plastic bag</strong></td>
<td>Recycling</td>
<td>Unlimited quantity. Items must be rinsed, dry, weigh less than 50 lbs and placed in clear blue plastic bags.</td>
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<td>Aluminum cans and containers (clean and in original shape); hard plastic bottles and containers (clean, no lids or caps); newspaper; mixed paper; cardboard, flattened (max. size 2 ft x 3 ft)</td>
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<td><strong>Every other week</strong> (alters with waste)</td>
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<td><strong>Every week</strong> from mid-May to early-October</td>
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### Collection day checklist

- ✓ Items for collection are out before 7:30 a.m.
- ✓ Cart lid is completely closed
- ✓ Contents and cart weigh less than 90 kg (200 lb)
- ✓ Cart is at the edge of driveway and road (or in the gutter)
- ✓ Cart has one metre (three ft) of space on all sides including above the cart
- ✓ Cart is facing the correct way
- ✓ House number is visible from the road
- ✓ Cars are parked away from carts (at least one metre)

Collection times are not specified or scheduled. The time your items are collected may vary from week to week. Collection occurs between 7:30 a.m. and 9 p.m. Recycling and carts are usually picked up by separate trucks.

**If your items were missed, please call 780-449-5514 before 10 a.m. the next business day. Leave the items at curbside for collection.**
Common items for disposal

Organics (green cart)
- all food products (including bones, meat, shells, oily foods, dairy)
- ashes (cooled)
- cardboard (soiled)
- cat litter (not bagged)
- cooking oil (cooled)
- coffee filters and grounds
- cotton balls (without nail polish remover or other cleaners)
- dryer lint
- facial tissue
- floor sweepings
- freezer paper
- grass clippings
- grease (cooled)
- grass clippings
- freezer paper
- floor sweepings
- feathers
- greetings cards (decorations removed)
- hard plastic bottles; e.g. detergent, condiment or shampoo bottles (cleaned, no lids or caps)
- hard plastic containers; e.g. margarine or large yogurt containers (cleaned, no lids)
- ice cream pails (cleaned, no lids)
- juice boxes (or take to bottle depot)
- laundry detergent boxes (emptied)
- magazines
- milk cartons and jugs (rinsed & flattened or take to bottle depot)
- newspaper
- paper
- phone books
- wrapping paper (no foil)
- carpet and underlay (must fit inside cart with lid closed)
- ceramics and dishes
- cereal plastic liners
- cigarette, cooled
- clamshells (berries and bakery)
- cleaning wipes
- clothing (not reusable)
- coffee cups (paper)
- contact lenses
- containers with foil lining (chip, tea, etc.)
- contraceptive products
- cosmetic containers and wipes
- cotton balls (soiled)
- crayons
- dental floss
- disposable diapers and wipes
- drink cups (paper)
- dryer sheets
- drywall (must fit inside cart)
- elastic bands
- fairy ring (from lawn)
- feminine hygiene items
- flour bags
- foil wrappers
- foam (mattresses, pillows)
- frozen juice cans
- furnace filters
- granola bar wrappers
- grocery bags
- ice cream carton
- latex products
- leather
- incandescent light bulbs
- make-up remover pads
- magnets
- matchbooks
- medical waste (or take to a pharmacy for disposal)
- metal lids from jars
- ointment tubes
- pens and pencils (broken)
- pet food bags
- photos
- plastic egg cartons
- plastic film, wrap and bags
- plastic lids or caps
- plastic utensils
- potato chip bags or containers
- pottery
- Q-tips
- saran/plastic food wrap
- sand paper
- sharps (razor blades, broken glass wrapped in paper)
- Styrofoam trays/containers
- Styrofoam egg cartons
- tinfoil
- toilet, tank/bowl (must fit inside cart)
- toothbrush and toothpaste tubes
- toys, broken
- vacuum bags
- wine cork (plastic)

Recycling (clear blue plastic bag)
- aluminum cans & containers; e.g. beverage, soup, vegetable, pie plates, take-out containers (cleaned and in original shape)
- box board (cereal, cracker boxes)
- cardboard, flattened, max. size 1 m x 60 cm (can be cut down and placed underneath the bag)
- catalogues
- cereal and other food boxes
- computer paper
- condiment bottles (cleaned, no lids)
- detergent boxes (emptied)
- envelopes (with/without plastic window)
- glossy paper
- greeting cards (decorations removed)
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Waste (black cart)
- air fresheners
- air filters
- aluminum foil
- animal carcass (double bagged)
- baby bottle liners
- bows and ribbons (not reusable)
- broken glass (wrapped in paper)
- candles
- carpet and underlay (must fit inside cart with lid closed)
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Broadview Recycling Services
- glass jars or containers (excludes mirrors and tempered glass)
- Styrofoam large packing material
- Tetra paks (non-deposit)
- small metal items

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Not sure where an item goes? Check out the Waste Wizard on our website or mobile app. strathcona.ca/wastewizard
Putting your cart out for collection

Leave at least one metre (three ft) of space between your cart, blue bags, vehicles, basketball nets, fences, mailboxes or any other objects, including overhead. Arrows on the cart indicate which side must face the road.

**If you have a curb**

Place the wheels of the cart in the gutter between the curb and the road. Your cart will be on the road.

**If you do not have a curb or live in a rural area**

Place the cart out at the edge of your driveway and the road. Ensure that the cart is stable on a flat area and the wheels are closest to the ditch or your driveway.

**If you live in a cul-de-sac**

Please do not park in the cul-de-sac on collection day. It is difficult for collection trucks to manoeuvre and may result in cart(s) and recycling not being collected for all homes in the cul-de-sac.

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**Putting your cart out during street maintenance**

When winter street snow clearing or spring street sweeping is occurring in your neighbourhood, place your cart no further than 30 cm (one ft) from the end of your driveway. During street maintenance, carts cannot be on the road, sidewalk or in the gutter because vehicles cannot manoeuvre around them. Leaving them on the street may delay snow clearing or street sweeping in your neighbourhood.

**If you live on a permanent snow route, please move your carts when a parking ban is called.**

**Other tips**

If you have approved back alley collection, make sure your carts and recycling are placed out correctly. Special collection (large items, Christmas tree and extra yard waste) are picked up at the front of the property. Not sure if you have approved back alley collection? Call Utilities at 780-449-5514 for more information.

**Rural customers**

Once the snow has fallen and is here to stay, please place your cart on your driveway and not on the road. Place your cart no further than 30 cm (one ft) from the end of your driveway. Carts cannot be on the road.
**Large item pickup**

During large item pickup weeks, leave up to two non-reusable household items at the front curb on your regular collection day and we will haul them away for you. Items may be picked up by different trucks. Check the calendar for your specific pickup date. **There is a limit of two items per household.** If items are in good working condition, please consider donating them.

Items must be less than 1.8 m x 0.9 m (six ft x three ft) and weigh less than 90 kg (200 lb). Please remove doors, lids and contents from fridges and freezers, and make sure the coolant system is not damaged. Gas powered items such as lawn mowers must have fuel and oil drained. Fuel and used oil can be taken to the Broadview Enviroservice Station (see page 9). Please make sure there is nothing left inside the large item.

Put a note on items (kids toys, sporting equipment, outdoor equipment etc.) to help identify it as being out for large item pickup.

Please note: houses with back alleys must have large items put out at the front of your property for collection.

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<td>- barbecue (no tank or briquettes)</td>
<td>- assembled swing set*</td>
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<td>- basketball net (please put a sign on it and cut the net off)</td>
<td>- barbecue propane tank</td>
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<td>- bike (please put a sign on it, remove wheels)</td>
<td>- ballasts</td>
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<td>- dishwasher</td>
<td>- car parts*</td>
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<td>- fridge / freezer (emptied, doors removed)</td>
<td>- computers (monitors, keyboards, hard drives, accessories)</td>
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<td>- furnace</td>
<td>- desktop printer</td>
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<td>- hot water tank (drained)</td>
<td>- electronics</td>
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<td>- lawn furniture</td>
<td>- microwave</td>
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<td>- lawn mower (all fluid drained, please put a sign on it)</td>
<td>- pressurized tank*</td>
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<td>- luggage (please put a sign on it)</td>
<td>- snowmobile</td>
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<td>- mattress and box spring</td>
<td>- stereo</td>
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<td>- rain barrel (please put a sign on it)</td>
<td>- television</td>
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<td>- sink</td>
<td>- tires</td>
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<td>- snowblower (all fluids drained, please put a sign on it)</td>
<td>- items longer than 1.8 m (six ft) in length*</td>
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<td>- stove</td>
<td>- items weighing more than 90 kg (200 lb)*</td>
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<td>- toilet</td>
<td>- general household waste</td>
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<td>- washer and dryer</td>
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<td>- vacuum</td>
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<td>- wheel barrow, broken (please put a sign on it)</td>
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* A fee may apply to drop off these items at the Broadview Enviroservice Station (see page 9 for details).

Most electronics can be taken to Broadview Enviroservice Station for recycling.
Follow these tips
- Never leave hazardous waste at a recycle station (see page 9).
- Place correct items in correct bins for recycling. Putting items in the wrong bin causes contamination, which increases fees because it has to be sorted and processed before it can be recycled.
- Large items are not accepted at recycle stations. Please take them to the Broadview Enviroservice Station or the landfill (fee may apply). Green Routine subscribers can put them out during large item pickup.

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<td>Broadview Enviroservice Station</td>
<td>101 Broadview Road, Sherwood Park</td>
<td><strong>Recycling services</strong>&lt;br&gt;• corrugated cardboard (flattened, clean and dry)&lt;br&gt;• glass jars (food and beverage containers, no lids)&lt;br&gt;• metal (aluminum cans and containers)&lt;br&gt;• mixed paper (flyers, cereal boxes, newspaper, etc.)&lt;br&gt;• hard plastic containers, tubs and bottles (clean, no lid/cap)&lt;br&gt;• Styrofoam - large packaging material&lt;br&gt;• Tetra paks&lt;br&gt;• empty gift cards&lt;br&gt;• tires (passenger), rims removed&lt;br&gt;<strong>Yard waste</strong>&lt;br&gt;• brush and branches (under 15 cm (six&quot;) in diameter, and less than 1.8 m (six ft) in length)&lt;br&gt;• leaves, grass clippings, garden waste (debagged)&lt;br&gt;* Sod, tree stumps and diseased branches (i.e. black knot) are NOT accepted and must be taken to a landfill.&lt;br&gt;<strong>Organics</strong>&lt;br&gt;• all food products, soiled paper and pet waste</td>
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<td>Ardrossan Recycle Station</td>
<td>80-3 Avenue, Ardrossan</td>
<td>• corrugated cardboard (flattened, clean and dry)&lt;br&gt;• glass jars (food and beverage containers, no lids)&lt;br&gt;• metal (aluminum cans and containers)&lt;br&gt;• mixed paper (flyers, cereal boxes, newspaper, etc.)&lt;br&gt;• hard plastic containers, tubs and bottles (cleaned, no lids or caps)&lt;br&gt;• tires (passenger), rims removed</td>
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<td>South Cooking Lake monthly events</td>
<td>22142 South Cooking Lake Road</td>
<td>• corrugated cardboard (flattened, clean and dry)&lt;br&gt;• glass jars (food and beverage containers, no lids)&lt;br&gt;• metal (aluminum cans and containers)&lt;br&gt;• mixed paper (flyers, cereal boxes, newspaper, etc.)&lt;br&gt;• hard plastic containers, tubs and bottles (cleaned, no lids or caps)&lt;br&gt;* special cart for glass jars (no lids)</td>
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Landfill and transfer stations
(Call for hours and locations)
Edmonton Waste Management Centre, 780-442-5311
Fort Saskatchewan Transfer Station, 780-992-6152
Lindbrook Transfer Station, 780-662-2704
Broadview Enviroservice Station
101 Broadview Road, Sherwood Park

The Broadview Enviroservice Station is your one-stop, eco-friendly shop! Broadview Enviroservice Station includes two separate areas:

The Enviroservice building
Drop off electronics, household hazardous waste, oil, glycol, appliances, batteries and paint at the Enviroservice building, open Thursdays to Sundays.

Recycling services
Bring in your cardboard, plastic, aluminum cans, glass, Styrofoam, brush, grass clippings and tires for recycling seven days a week during operating hours.

Hours of operation

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<td>Mon - Wed</td>
<td>summer hours</td>
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<td>Closed</td>
<td>(mid-Apr to mid-Oct)</td>
<td>• acetone</td>
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<td>Mon - Wed</td>
<td>winter hours</td>
<td>• aerosol sprays</td>
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<td>• alkaline batteries (non-rechargeable)</td>
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<td>Thurs Until mid-Apr</td>
<td>8 a.m. - 8 p.m.</td>
<td>• all-purpose cleaners</td>
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<td>11:30 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.</td>
<td>9 a.m. - 6 p.m.</td>
<td>• antifreeze</td>
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<td>• appliances* (fridges, stoves, dishwashers, freezers, washer/dryers)</td>
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<td>Fri</td>
<td>10 a.m. - 7 p.m.</td>
<td>• ballasts</td>
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<td>10 a.m. - 5 p.m.</td>
<td>• barbecues &amp; propane tanks (20 lb or under)</td>
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*exception around Christmas holidays

Rural Enviroservice events

**Tuesday, June 16, 2020**
4 p.m. to 7 p.m.
South Cooking Lake, Fire Hall #2

**Tuesday, July 21, 2020**
4 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Josephburg, Moyer Recreation Centre

**Tuesday, August 18, 2020**
4 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Ardrossan Recreation Complex

Items are only accepted during event hours; please don’t drop off items early.

* these items are not accepted at the Rural Enviroservice events.

**Items not accepted**

• ammunitions (bullets etc.)
• commercial hazardous waste
• commercial bio waste
• expired medication
• explosives
• radioactive waste
• fireworks
• pressurized tanks (over 20 lb)

**Items accepted at the Enviroservice building**

• metal*
• microwaves
• oil (in container, max. five gallon)
• oven cleaners
• paint thinners/strippers
• paints (oil/water based)
• pesticides
• rubbing alcohol
• rechargeable batteries
• shoes
• small appliances
• solvents, turpentine, varnish, lacquers
• stereos, speakers
• televisions
• wood preservatives

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Give your old clothes new life.
Donate your unwanted textiles to a local not-for-profit thrift store.

Recycling your unwanted textiles reduces waste, benefits the environment and local community and leaves more room in your black cart. Reusing a single t-shirt can save up to 2,700 litres of water compared to producing the same shirt from new materials.

Each store accepts a different range of items for donation, but common acceptable items include:

• All clothing that is clean and in good repair
• Belts, swimwear, hats and other accessories
• Shoes, boots and purses in good shape
• Sheets, towels, blankets and tablecloths
• Curtains and drapes in good condition
• Seasonal, such as Christmas or Halloween
• Housewares, jewellery and toys

Try second-hand first.
Reduce and reuse, before you recycle.

Shopping at local thrift stores reduces your environmental impact, gives you great deals on classic clothing as well as current styles, and best of all, the money you spend is reinvested into the community.

Learn what can be donated and see how your donations help our community at strathcona.ca/textiles
Keep organics light and fluffy!
Avoid packing down contents in your cart. Materials may become stuck in the cart, and the truck may not be able to fully empty it. Layering your cart every 30 cm (12”) with newspaper, cardboard boxes or paper towels will also reduce materials from becoming stuck. If items are stuck, it is up to you to loosen them and put them out for the next pickup date.

Cardboard too big?
Larger pieces of cardboard that can't be cut down to 60 cm x one m (two ft x three ft) can be taken to a recycle station.

Questions? greenroutine@strathcona.ca  780-449-5514
Tips for large item pickup

Put a note on your item(s) to help identify them for pickup.

Different trucks pick up different items and sometimes collectors need an extra day to catch up. If your item was missed, call Utilities by 10 a.m. the next business day to arrange for pickup.

If your regular collection day is: | Your large item pickup day is:
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Monday | Apr 27 | Oct 19
Tuesday | Apr 21 | Oct 13
Wednesday | Apr 29 | Oct 21
Thursday | Apr 23 | Oct 15
Friday | May 1 | Oct 23

One person's trash is another's treasure!

Donate it to a local charity or non-profit group (check with them before you drop your items off, different groups accept different items).

Or upcycle it on a local upcycling group.

See page 7 for a list of common acceptable items.

Limit of 2 items

Max. 90kg (200lb) 0.9m (3 ft) 1.8m (6 ft)

These items are NOT ACCEPTED for pickup

- electronics
- computers
- printers
- propane tanks

Instead drop off free! See page 9 for hours and days of operation

Remove outdoor items (bikes, toys, lawnmowers) that are not for pickup from the end of your driveway or property so they aren’t accidentally taken.

Broadview EnviroService Station 101 Broadview Rd, Sherwood Park

Put a note on your item(s) to help identify them for pickup.
**Windy days** On windy collection days, try to weigh down your recycling bags to prevent them from blowing away. Mix heavier recyclables, such as aluminum cans and newspapers, with the lighter containers. Or hang on to your recycling and put it out the following week.

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*Remember no plastic bags in the organics*
Yard waste collection changes

We’re turning over a new leaf!

Say farewell to plastic bags! Starting in spring 2020 extra yard waste will only be collected in **paper yard waste bags** or **reusable containers**. Yard waste in plastic bags can no longer be accepted.

If you choose a reusable container, consider a similar container to those used for recycling; it should be easy to lift and empty, should weigh less than 25 kg (55 lbs) and the height should be between 46 cm and 76 cm (18 to 30 inches).

Yard waste can also be taken to the Broadview Enviroservice Station. All yard waste must be debagged when dropping it off.

Extra yard waste collection

During yard waste collection weeks only, extra yard waste that does not fit inside your green organics cart can be placed in **paper yard waste bags** or **reusable containers** and put out on your regular collection day.

- There is no limit to the amount of paper bags or reusable containers you can put out.
- Place your bags/containers and tree bundles at the end of your driveway or property.
- All tree branches* must be under three cm (one inch) in diameter. Branches up to one metre (three feet) in length can be bundled with tape and placed out for collection. Bundles can weigh no more than 25 kg (50 lb).
- This service is available for Strathcona County waste collection customers only.

Tree branches* under 15 cm (six inches) in diameter, and no more than 1.8 m (six feet) long can be taken to the Broadview Enviroservice Station. Tree stumps and roots are too large to be chipped and are **NOT** accepted at Broadview Enviroservice Station. These items can be taken to a landfill (charges may apply).

*Branches infected with black knot and other diseases are not accepted. Place them in a double bag and put them in your waste cart. Learn how to recognize black knot at strathcona.ca/blackknot.
LawnBusters Lawn mowing can be challenging for individuals who have physical limitations. LawnBusters matches volunteers with eligible residents to assist with lawn mowing. Volunteer by calling Volunteer Strathcona at 780-464-4242, or visit volunteerstrathcona.ca.

Questions? greenroutine@strathcona.ca  780-449-5514
HodgePodge Lodge
Are you crafty or love to upcycle or tinker? Maybe you have some items around the house that still have some life in them but aren’t suitable for recycling or donation. The HodgePodge Lodge is for you!

To decrease the amount of materials going to the landfill we are collecting a mish mash of items that could be reused or repurposed. These items are not easily recycled through traditional methods of collection, and aren’t accepted for reuse elsewhere.

The Lodge is open daily from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., mid-April to mid-October. Please only drop off items during open hours.

Check strathcona.ca/hodgedgelodge for details.

Free mulch
Did you know you can pick up free mulch at the Broadview Enviroservice Station? Check page 9 for hours and location.

Mulch is great for your garden. It helps your plants grow by retaining moisture so you don’t have to water as often, and as it breaks down it releases valuable nutrients into the soil. Mulch also keeps the weeds down and adds colour and texture to your yard.

Note: Mulch provided by local contractors. Supply and quality not guaranteed. Resident use only. Manual loading only.
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**Organics** and recycling collection

**Waste and recycling collection**

**Extra yard waste collection**

Make sure it is in **paper yard waste bags** or reusable containers and put out at the end of your driveway

**Weekly organics cart collection** for designated areas (see map on page 3)

**Clean Air Day**

Out by 7:30 a.m.

**First day of summer**

**Trash Fest**
Westboro School
4 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Visit strathcona.ca/trashfest for more info.

**Rural Enviroservice Event**
South Cooking Lake, Fire Hall #2
4 p.m. to 7 p.m.
See page 9 for more info.

Questions?  greenroutine@strathcona.ca  780-449-5514
Preparing for water restrictions

Often, we think water restrictions will occur in summer during long periods of hot, dry weather. But did you know they can happen any time, and can be planned or unplanned? Water restrictions and bans can occur:

- during periods of hot, dry weather
- during construction on water pipes and facilities
- if there is an unexpected water emergency (i.e. water pipe break, etc.)

During a water restriction or ban, residents are asked to reduce or suspend their non-essential water use. This can include:

- washing vehicles, driveways and house exteriors
- watering lawns, trees and gardens
- non-essential laundry and dish washing
- long showers or baths
- filling hot tubs, pools or large aquariums

Saving as much water as you can on a daily basis, such as turning the tap off when you shave or brush your teeth, will help with water supply levels.

Sign up to receive Strathcona County Alerts on our website at strathcona.ca/scalerts or call 780-410-8550. Receive emergent, significant and time sensitive alerts where and when you want: text, phone and email.

Water ban notifications will also be posted on the County’s website, Facebook and Twitter accounts.
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**Canada Day**

**Organics* and recycling collection**

**Waste and recycling collection**

Weekly organics cart collection for designated areas (see map on page 3)

**Special event**
Canada Day—celebrate at Broadmoor Lake Park

**Rural Enviroservice Event**
Josephburg, Moyer Recreation Centre
4 p.m. to 7 p.m.
See page 9 for more info.

Never miss garbage day again! Sign up online at strathcona.ca/wastereminder to get reminders about your schedule, updates and service disruptions. You can get reminders by text, email, phone call or our mobile app. See page 10 for more details.

Questions? greenroutine@strathcona.ca  780-449-5514
Mow and Go
Grasscycling is a natural process that is easy, saves time and money! Simply leave the clippings on your lawn as you mow. They quickly decompose, usually within three days, and act as a natural fertilizer to the soil.

Grasscycling tips:
• Mow your lawn higher. Keep the grass blade length about six cm (2.5 inches). This encourages the roots to grow deep, encouraging a healthier, hardier lawn.
• Keep the blades on your mower sharp.
• Mow often, about every four or five days. This will help the grass decompose quickly.
• Mow when your grass is dry. Dry clippings are dispersed better and there is less chance of clogging the mower.
• Any mower will do. If your mower has a collection bag, safely remove it to allow the clippings to fall on the lawn. If your mower does not have a safety flap over the chute, make sure you purchase a retrofit kit.
• If you have been unable to mow for a while, collect the clippings, put them in your green organics cart or bring them to Broadview Enviroservice Station.

Did you know?
• Grasscycling helps keep moisture in the soil so you don’t have to water your lawn as often.
• Grasscycling is a natural fertilizer for your lawn. Grass clippings release valuable nutrients such as nitrogen, potassium and phosphorus into the ground when they decompose.
• The average household spends seven hours a season raking and bagging grass clippings.
### Layer Layer Layer!

Place a layer of crumpled up newspaper, cardboard or other dry organic materials in your cart. Then every 30 cm (12”) alternate with wet organics. Avoid packing the organics down as they may become stuck.

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- Organics* and recycling collection
- Waste and recycling collection
- Weekly organics cart collection for certain areas (see map on page 3)
- Rural EnviroService Event Ardrossan Recycling Station 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. See page 9 for more info.
Reduce the single use

Single-use items are those that are only used once before they are thrown away, such as coffee cups, straws, cutlery, plastic bags, coffee stir sticks and food packaging.

These items are convenient, but because of the way they are manufactured, they are not accepted as recycling. Instead they end up in landfills or as litter.

You can avoid single-use items by:
• taking reusable bags when you go shopping; stash a few in your car or purse
• taking mesh bags when shopping for produce
• putting together a waste-free lunch kit with a reusable straw, cutlery and lunch container
• taking a reusable cup for your daily coffee
• buying food in bulk, you can even take your own containers

Think you can’t make a difference?
Think again. Don’t be a landfiler.
**Make waste-free lunches.**
Use reusable containers and bottles in a cloth lunch bag, and don’t forget your own reusable cutlery.

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**Organics* and recycling collection**

**Waste and recycling collection**

**Weekly organics cart collection for certain areas (see map on page 3)**

**Questions?** greenroutine@strathcona.ca  780-449-5514
Keep organics out of the landfill
What goes in the green cart?

During a recent County waste audit nearly half of the material in the black carts was found to be organic material. Make space in your waste cart by making sure everything organic goes in the green cart instead.

Most people know that food scraps and yard waste are organics, but soiled papers, pizza boxes, shredded paper and pet waste can go into the green cart as well.

If you use a bag to collect your organics, make sure it is a certified compostable bag. Plastic and biodegradable bags are not permitted in your green cart.

Did you know?
These and other organic materials are turned into valuable compost. The organic material in your green cart goes to a farm in Penhold where it is composted on site to help grow crops of wheat, barley, oats, canola and hemp. It takes about one year to turn our organics into compost. If these items were put in a landfill, they may never actually break down.

Not sure where something goes?
Check our waste wizard app at strathcona.ca/wastewizard
October

Last week for weekly organics cart collection

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Organics* and recycling collection

Waste and recycling collection

Extra yard waste collection
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Waste Reduction Week is October 19 to 25 – what are you doing to reduce your waste?

Plan to be **eeek**o-friendly this Halloween!

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Cold weather collection tips

We know the weather in Alberta can change drastically—sometimes overnight! Here are some tips to keep in mind once the temperature drops.

**Give your organics cart a winter lining.** Line the bottom and sides of your organics cart with newspaper. Then every 30 cm (12”), make sure to layer wet organics (food waste, leaves) with dry organics (crumpled newspaper, pizza boxes). This will reduce the possibility of organics freezing to the cart when the temperature drops. Layering is even more important during the time of year when temperatures fluctuate frequently.

**Keep it fluffy.** Avoid packing contents of the cart down. Organic materials may become stuck in the cart and the truck may not be able to fully empty it.

**Wrap it up!** Wrap wet or smelly organics in cardboard boxes (cereal or cracker box), paper bags or newspaper to help prevent them from freezing to the cart.

**Pull, don’t push.** When there is snow on the ground, pull your organics or waste cart—don’t push. The bottom of the cart will cause snow to build up making it difficult to move. By pulling, snow build up does not occur.

**Be friendly.** Get to know your neighbours. If they need help getting their cart to the curb, ask if you can do it for them.

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**Cart placement during parking bans**

When a parking ban has been declared and your street is being cleared of snow, place your cart at the end of your driveway. Carts cannot be on the road, sidewalk or in the gutter because snow removal vehicles cannot manoeuvre around them. See page 6 for more details.
**SnowBusters** Snow shovelling can be challenging for individuals who have physical limitations. SnowBusters matches volunteers with eligible residents to assist with shovelling their snow. Volunteer by calling Volunteer Strathcona at 780-464-4242, or visit volunteerstrathcona.ca.

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- **November**
- **Collection still occurs today**
- **Remembrance Day**

**Organics** and recycling collection

**Waste and recycling collection**

**Extra yard waste collection**

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*Remember no plastic bags in the organics*

**Stuck Organics?** Wet organics can become stuck in your cart when the weather fluctuates. Give it a mix with a broom handle or stick to dislodge frozen items.

**Out by 7:30 a.m.**

Report a dumper

If you witness someone leaving unacceptable items at a recycle station, school, park, side of the road or other public area, call RCMP and Enforcement Services at 780-449-0170 to report it.

**Questions?** greenroutine@strathcona.ca 780-449-5514
Create memories, not garbage.

Did you know that over the holiday season household waste increases by 15 percent? Christmas can be a time filled with lots of stuff, but it doesn’t have to be. Often the greatest joy during the holiday season comes from spending time with friends and family. This Christmas, instead of buying toys or material items, give gifts of experience:

- Give someone you love the gift of time—offer to baby- or pet-sit for them.
- Teach someone a new skill; photography, sewing, woodworking, cooking or dancing.
- Give the gift of experience — tickets to a play, concert, movie, sports event or art gallery.
- Give them a membership; to a gym, yoga studio, or the zoo.
- Take a class together; art, cooking, or skiing lessons.
- Give handmade creations; baking, jam, a pair of knitted socks, or your own art.
- Pass on memories. Create a handmade memory book for a family member, or scrapbook a trip you went on with a friend.
- Buy local — find a one-of-a-kind gift at a farmers' market or Christmas craft fair.
- Give two gifts in one! Use reusable bags, boxes, tins or tea towels to wrap your gifts.
- Check out our Green Christmas Pinterest board for DIY ideas: pinterest.com/strathcocounty

Celebrate the holidays by giving your friends and loved ones experiences that last, and do your part to cut back on the amount of waste that ends up in the landfill.

Memories last a lifetime. No wrapping required!
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Organics* and recycling collection
Waste and recycling collection
*Remember no plastic bags in the organics

Questions? greenroutine@strathcona.ca 780-449-5514
Wasted food

Strathcona County residents throw away around 2,200 tonnes of food per year. Much of it is still perfectly edible. Some of it is composted, but much of it ends up in the landfill. It’s not just a waste of money, but also a waste of resources growing food that never gets eaten.

Get to know the different areas of your fridge and where food should be stored to last the longest.

**Freezer:** frozen fruits and vegetables, meat, bread, sauces and leftovers

**Top Shelf:** leftovers, drinks, herbs and ready-to-eat foods

**Middle Shelf:** eggs and dairy

**Bottom Shelf:** raw meat, poultry and fish

**Crisper drawers:** fruits (low humidity), vegetables (high humidity)

**Door:** condiments, juices and water

**Do not refrigerate:** tomatoes, potatoes onions and squash

Keep the refrigerator at 4°C and the freezer and -18°C. Check regularly for foods that are expiring soon and keep an ‘eat me first’ container.
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**Organics* and recycling collection**

**Waste and recycling collection**

**Christmas Tree collection—cut into four-foot sections (remove bags, lights and ornaments)**

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**Special note for Friday collection areas**

January 1 organics pickup moves to Saturday, January 2

**Windy days** On windy collection days, try to weigh down your recycling bags to prevent them from blowing away. Or hang on to your recycling and put it out the following week.

Questions?  greenroutine@strathcona.ca  780-449-5514
What’s your WATER footprint?

Do you know how much water your household uses on a daily basis? You may be surprised!

Your water footprint is the amount of water you consume in your daily life, including the water you use to brush your teeth, wash your dishes and water your lawn in the summer.

Understanding our water consumption can help us ensure there is enough water to sustain all living things on our planet. Use our water calculator to see how your water footprint compares with others in Strathcona County!

Find more tips and calculate your water usage on our website: strathcona.ca/watercalculator

Water conservation tips:

- Turn the water off while you’re brushing your teeth.
- Fill kettles only to the depth required.
- Fix dripping faucets and leaking toilets.
- Use a rain barrel to collect rain water for your lawn and garden.
- Install low-flush toilets in your home.
- Store a pitcher of water in the refrigerator for drinking so you won’t have to let the faucet run to get cold water.
- Avoid using running water to thaw meat or other frozen foods.
- Don’t rinse dishes before loading them into your dishwasher—scrape any leftovers into your kitchen catcher.
- Choose water-efficient appliances.
- Insulate your water pipes. You’ll get hot water faster.
- Install water-saving showerheads.
- Cook food in as little water as possible.
- Plant drought-resistant trees and plants in your yard—plants native to Alberta are adaptable to drought and cold.
**Does your cart need repair?**
Utilities will repair any cart that breaks or cracks through normal use. Carts that are damaged by improper use or abuse will be subject to a replacement and service fee.

- **February 2021**
  - Out by 7:30 a.m.
  - Check strathcona.ca/enviroservice for hours this weekend

**Keep organics light and fluffy!**
Avoid packing down the contents in your cart. Materials may become stuck, and the truck may not be able to fully empty it. Layering your cart every 30 cm (12”) with newspaper, cardboard boxes or paper towels will also reduce materials from becoming stuck. If items are stuck, it is up to you to loosen them and put them out for the next pickup date.

*Remember no plastic bags in the organics*
Have you ever remembered it was garbage day just after the truck drove by? Or maybe you want to get reminders about special collection days like large item pickup? Or you aren’t sure where to properly dispose an item?

Whether you have a smart phone or don’t own a computer, we’ve got a reminder for you!

Sign up to get weekly reminders about your collection schedule, information about special waste collections and service disruptions. There is also a game to test your sorting know-how!

You can receive reminders any or all of the following ways:

• email
• text
• phone call
• Android or iPhone app
• iCal

Sign up today!
strathcona.ca/wastereminder or call 780-449-5514
### March 2021

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**Sewer troubles?**
Call 780-467-7785. An operator will call you back within one hour any time of the day or night.

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**Report a dumper**
If you witness someone leaving unacceptable items at a recycle station, school, park, side of the road or other public area, call RCMP and Enforcement Services at 780-449-0170 to report it. Provide as much information as you can including their licence plate number, vehicle description, location and time. Illegal dumping can be dangerous and costly.

**Questions?** greenroutine@strathcona.ca 780-449-5514
Contact us
Waste and recycling
780-449-5514
Water, wastewater and related emergencies
(24-hour phone line) 780-467-7785

Take note!
Black waste cart serial #____________________
Green organics cart serial #____________________
(the serial number is located by the bar code on the front of the cart)

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Environmental facts
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