

Test Your Organics Recycling Knowledge

What are organics?

Organics include all food scraps, most non-recyclable and food-soiled paper, certified compostable products. At this time, yard waste cannot be included with other organics in the Anoka County Organics Recycling Drop-off program. This program is separate from the regular yard waste program for leaves, grass clippings and brush. **Do not** mix your food waste with your yard waste.



YES - Food Scraps

- Fruit and vegetables
- Meat, fish and bones
- Bread, pasta and baked goods
- Eggshells
- Dairy products

YES - Food-soiled and non-recyclable paper

- Food-soiled paper including pizza boxes, paper towels and paper napkins
- Facial tissue, tissue paper, paper egg cartons, fast food drink carriers and toilet paper and paper towel cores

YES - Certified compostable products

- Certified compostable tableware, drinkware, napkins and serving ware

YES - Other residential compostable items

- Coffee grounds, filters and tea bags
- Cotton balls and cotton swabs without chemicals
- Wood chop sticks, Popsicle sticks and toothpicks
- Floral trimmings and house plants
- Animal and human hair and nail clippings

NO - Items not accepted in organics drop-off program

- Plastic or plastic lined paper products – Styrofoam™, plastic bags, cartons, straws, butter packaging, hot and cold to-go cups, condiment packets, refrigerator or freezer boxes and k-cups
- Non certified compostable products – products labeled biodegradable, wax paper and parchment paper (some paper may look like only paper, but they can often be coated with plastic film)
- General recyclables – clean, uncoated paper, plastic, glass and metal food and beverage containers and cartons
- Foil lined products – chip bags, juice boxes and candy wrappers
- Products containing chemicals or synthetic fibers – dryer sheets, dryer lint, cleaning wipes and rags or cotton balls soaked in hazardous, corrosive or poisonous chemicals such as nail polish remover
- Pet or human waste products – pet waste, animal bedding, diapers, baby wipes and feminine hygiene products

For more information about the Anoka County Organics Program, visit www.AnokaCounty.us/recycle.

Recycle Smart - Organics

Today, there are many ways to recycle. So, what is the future of a green and environmentally friendly life? For residents in Anoka County, the next frontier is organics recycling. About a third of what we throw away is organic material that can be composted. Organic recycling diverts organic materials from your trash.

Backyard Composting

One way to implement organics recycling is by doing backyard composting, which involves recycling fruit and vegetable scraps and yard waste into compost at home. By composting these organic materials, you can reduce the size and cost of your garbage can, while creating compost to help feed your garden. Many garden and home improvement stores sell home composting bins or you can make your own.



OAK GROVE DROP-OFF RECYCLE CENTER

Located at 19045 Main Street NW, across the street from Early Childhood Family Center in Oak Grove.

Some items accepted at the center:

- Aluminum/steel cans
- Newspapers & magazines
- Glass – jars & bottles ONLY
- Box board/corrugated cardboard
- Phone books/mixed paper/mail
- Used motor oil/filters– RESIDENTS ONLY
- Used oil filters – RESIDENTS ONLY



For a complete list, please visit www.ci.oak-grove.mn.us click and on City Departments > Recycling > Recycling Center.

Help Oak Grove meet its recycling goals.

If you take scrap metal, paper or other recyclables directly to a recycling center, don't forget to provide the City with a copy of your tonnage receipt. Your efforts count as an important part of reaching the City's overall recycling goal.

Drop-Off Composting

Organics recycling isn't just for people willing to compost in their backyard. Anoka County is giving residents another option when it comes to disposing of organic waste. The County now offers a drop-off organics recycling program. In the drop-off organics recycling program, all food scraps, non-recyclable paper, such as napkins, paper towels, egg cartons, pizza delivery boxes and certified compostable products, are accepted. The program can also accept more types of organic waste than backyard composting, such as meat, bones and dairy products. More items are accepted in this program because the County's large-scale compost facility reaches higher temperatures that will break down these additional items, killing bacteria and other pathogens.

The organics drop-off collection site is located at Bunker Hills Regional Park, 13285 Hanson Boulevard NW, Coon Rapids. The Anoka County drop-off organics recycling program is free to all residents. However, you must be registered to participate. To learn more, visit www.anokacounty.us/360/County-Organics-Drop-off-Program

Tip of the Day

- Keep garden hoses out of your recycling cart. They get tangled in the equipment at the recycling facility and must be cut off.
- Earth 911 has a video to help you know the difference between products that are compostable and biodegradable. www.youtube.com/watch?v=nYNYILJ4c1E&feature=youtu.be Milk and juice cartons are recyclable in your curbside bin.
- Paper egg cartons can't go in your curbside recycling bin...but they can go in your organics bin!

Oak Grove Fire Department Pancake Breakfast



Free Will Donation

Sunday,
October 6
8:00 a.m.-
12:30 p.m.

Oak Grove City Hall
1990 Nightingale
Avenue NW



2019 Fall Recycling Day

Saturday, September 14 • 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
815 Viking Boulevard NW, Oak Grove

Please bring this form to the recycling event.

Pay with cash or check—made out to the City of Oak Grove.

ITEM	PRICE	QUANTITY	SUBTOTAL
Scrap Metal	No Charge		No Charge
Tires			
Car/Small Truck without Rims	No Charge		No Charge
Car with Rims	\$3		
Large Truck Tires	\$15		
Mattress/Box Spring	\$20		
Carpeting/Pad			
Tied in 5 foot segments, no scraps, not wet	\$8/roll		
Miscellaneous Items			
Varies by weight	Minimum \$5		
Sinks/Toilets	\$20		
Furniture - Couch	\$40		
Furniture - Upholstred Chair	\$20		
Furniture - Other	\$10-\$40		
Appliances			
Stove, Refrigerator, Dishwasher, Microwaves, etc.	\$10		
Ammonia Gas Refrigerants	\$130		
Commercial Refrigerants	\$30-\$50		
Pop Machines	\$30		
Electronics			
Computer monitors	\$8		
Small TVs	\$12		
Large TVs	\$40		
Auto Batteries	\$5		
Fluorescent Bulbs			
Bulbs	\$0.50		
Over 4 feet or U Shape	\$1.00		
Ballasts up to 4 Pounds	\$4		
Ballasts up to 8 Pounds	\$8		
Paper Shredding	No Charge		No Charge
		TOTAL	

For more information, please call 763-404-7000.



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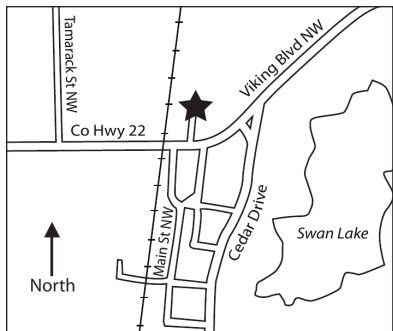
Gather your recyclables and join us for the City of Oak Grove's Fall Recycling Day.

Saturday, September 14
8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Oak Grove Public Works Garage
 815 Viking Boulevard NW, Oak Grove



FREE
 Document
 shredding



Remember household hazardous waste is not accepted at the Oak Grove Recycling Days. Take unwanted household chemicals to the Anoka County Hazardous Waste Facility, 3230 101st Avenue NE in Blaine. There is no charge to drop off household hazardous waste at the facility although you must provide proof of county residency, such as a driver's license. The facility accepts household hazardous waste from residents of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey and Washington counties. Find details at anokacounty.us/HHW or call 763-323-5730.

The Oak Grove City Hall is located at
 19900 Nightingale Street NW
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 Office Hours: 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m. (Monday-Friday)
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