

2024 Columbus Recycling Events

Redeem coupons to receive discounts on event recycling!

Our 2023 recycling goal was 457 tons and we achieved that with 488 tons! You all are truly recycling rock stars. Lets do it again in 2024. Our 2024 goal is 469 tons. TOGETHER we can do this!

Drop-off Recycling Days

When: Saturday, May 11, 2024
Saturday, September 28, 2024

Where: Columbus City Hall
16319 Kettle River Blvd NE

Time: 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

Two items FREE per household, please provide coupon on next page.

Materials accepted (curbside and drop-off):

Automotive batteries - FREE	\$0
Scrap metal - FREE	\$0
Paper Shredding - FREE	\$0
Car tire (on or off the rim)	\$5
Small electronics; Yard equipment (gas powered items)	\$5
Small appliance without freon	\$5 unlimited
Small appliance with freon; Large appliance without freon	\$10
Monitor or small TV; Large appliance with freon	\$15
TV's up to 20 inches	\$20
TV's (20-29"); Chairs; Small furniture, Mattresses	\$30
TV's (30"+); Couches	\$40
Wood console & projection TV's	\$60
*Paper shredding available at the May event only.	



Bicycle Collection Event

Collecting bikes for repair and reuse in the community with Bikes4Kids.

When: Wednesday, May 8, 2024
Wednesday, September 25, 2024

Where: Columbus City Hall
16319 Kettle River Blvd NE

Time: 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

Curbside Recycling Event

When: Week of July 15-19, 2024 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Where: Curbside Pickup.
Call 651-464-3120 ext. 1010 to schedule your pickup. See list of items accepted and fees to the left. Use coupon below.
Questions? Call All Appliance Disposal, 612-865-9570, allappliancedisposal.com

RECYCLE THANK YOU FOR RECYCLING THESE: (QUESTIONS? PLEASE CHECK WITH YOUR HAULER)



Recycling Discounts! KEEP THESE COUPONS FOR UPCOMING EVENTS

Use these coupons throughout the year to save on recycling fees at the recycling day events at City Hall. Residents must present coupon to receive discount. One coupon per household per event.

RECYCLE 2 items for FREE	RECYCLE 2 items for FREE	RECYCLE 2 items for FREE
May 11, 2024	July 15-19, 2024	September 28, 2024
9 a.m. – 12 p.m.	Curbside, call to schedule pick up.	9 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Columbus City Hall		Columbus City Hall

This is a RECYCLING event. NO GARBAGE or HAZARDOUS WASTE accepted.

Questions? Contact us at 651-464-3120, ext 1010.





16319 Kettle River Blvd.
Columbus, MN 55025

Contact your waste hauler to check what day you need to set your recycling out at the curb.

Ace Solid Waste.....763-427-3110
LePage & Sons.....763-757-7100
Waste Management.....888-960-0008

Printed on recycled paper, minimum 30% post-consumer paper.
This event is partially funded by the City of Columbus, the Anoka County Board of Commissioners & State SCORE (Select Committee on Recycling and the Environment) funds.

Have broken stuff lying around? Don't trash it - fix it!

Come to one of the Anoka County Fix-it clinics to meet in person with an expert fixer to repair your favorite items. Get help repairing lamps, coffee makers, clothing, vacuums, and much more!

Why fix it?

Bring your broken items back to life! Our Fix It Clinic can help you by...

- Saving you money.
- Preserving old items of value to you.
- Reducing waste in your community.



Please bring any replacement parts you have available with you. First come, first served.
Please no dehumidifiers, thank you.

Date: April 6

Time: 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Location: Columbus City Hall, 16319 Kettle River Blvd NE, Columbus

For additional dates and locations go to: AnokaCountyMN.gov/fixit

Columbus 2024 Recycling Guide

Redeem coupons inside to recycle items for FREE!

Best if Used: Prevent Food Waste

Ninety percent of Americans throw food away too soon (Source: Savethefood.com). Here in Anoka County over 20 percent of what we throw away is organic material that could be composted. (Source: Anoka County Solid Waste Management Master Plan)

Why is this important?

A 4-person family loses \$1500 (Source: SavetheFood.com) a year on wasted food. Saving that would basically be a raise. The good news is there's something we can do. The better news is that it's easy and we've got everything we need – right in the refrigerator.

Reduce First

Meal planning is key to making sure you have just enough. SavetheFood.com has a great meal planning tool for anyone. You can calculate how many people will be eating; if you want leftovers or not; if those people eat like birds or horses; and is surprisingly spot-on! Find it at: <https://www.savethefood.com/guestimator>.

Shop Waste Smart

Curious about food delivery? Try one that rescues food from distributors. Some produce may be too big or too small. Because of these imperfections, grocery stores don't buy them from food wholesalers and often they go to waste. A few options are Imperfect Foods and Misfits Market, you just simply place an order online and get a box of fresh food delivered up to once a week. A lot of the food available is also sold at a discount, and might help your bottom line.

Become a Label Pro

Most people throw food out too soon, learning to understand what date labels on packaging mean can go a long way to making sure you are not.

- "Sell By": These dates are meant for store staff. They build in quality so if the food is sold by that date, you can still get it home and have top-quality shelf life for some time after.
- "Best By": These dates refer to quality rather than food safety. It's the date before which the brand stands by its product (unless it's been opened or left out in warm temperatures). Foods with a "best before" or "use by" date or other expressions should be safe to eat after the date has passed, but they may no longer be at their very best.

Cook it, Store it

Proper food storage is also key in making sure your hard-earned dollars spent on food don't get tossed out. Anoka County has a food storage guide with tips and hints on how to store foods in the fridge, freezer, and your cupboard to optimize freshness.

Go to: AnokaCountyMN.gov/1035/Publications for a free download.

Now that you are armed with the know-how, you can enjoy this year with less food waste and maybe some lower grocery bills.