



CITY OF DOTHAN

Community Relations Office

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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City of Dothan - Environmental Services Updates

Beginning March 30, 2020 and until further notice, the City of Dothan Environmental Services will implement a no-touch approach to our collection procedures. To mitigate possible exposure to the Coronavirus, Environmental Services will be utilizing automated procedures to collect all waste and recycling items within the City of Dothan. Please be aware of these temporary changes to our collection procedures, listed below -

GARBAGE (HOUSEHOLD WASTE DISPOSED OF IN GREEN CART)

- All garbage collection days will remain the same.
- All garbage will be collected exclusively by automated means. The only exception to this will be those who are currently enrolled in our Helping Hands Program. Our Helping Hands truck will continue to provide full service to our customers that are unable to bring their carts curbside.
- *We will no longer collect any garbage that is outside the cart. All waste must fit inside the cart with the lid closed.*
- All carts must be placed at a minimum 5 feet away from any structure or object (mailbox, pole, cars, etc.)

RECYCLING (RECYCLABLE GOODS COLLECTED IN BLUE CART)

- All recycle collection days will remain the same.
- All recycling will be collected exclusively by automated means. The only exception to this will be those who are currently enrolled in our Helping Hands Program. Our Helping Hands truck will continue to provide full service to our customers that are unable to bring their carts curbside.
- *We will no longer collect any recycling that is outside the cart. All recycling must fit inside the cart with the lid closed.*
- All carts must be placed a minimum 5 feet away from any structure or object (mailbox, pole, cars, etc.)
- During this time, Environmental Services will not collect any of the small 15-gallon totes. If you have a tote and would like to continue your recycling efforts, please contact us at 334-615-3820 and we will deliver a recycle cart to you.
- Both Recycle Centers will remain open from 7:00 A.M. until 4:00 P.M for any additional recycling needs.
 - 2739 Choctaw St. (Westgate Recycle Center)
 - 1290 Burkett St. (Landfill Recycle Center)

TRASH (YARD WASTE & BULK ITEMS PLACED STREETSIDE)

- All trash collection days will remain the same.
- All trash will be collected exclusively by automated means. This means Environmental Services will not provide complete rake up/sweep up services. The piles will be picked up by truck and any additional clean-up will be the responsibility of the resident. Please consider bagging all clippings and small yard waste to lessen the need for a more detailed clean-up.

Please keep in mind that all services will return to normal, at some point. During this time, your patience and understanding are greatly appreciated.

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