

# Sanitation Topics

## DISTRIBUTION OF UPGRADED CARTS

With the transition to automated trash collection, Statesville is upgrading its roll-out carts to better work with the new system. The new carts are being delivered to residents over a multi-year timeframe in order to spread the costs over several budgets.

Last year, about 2,000 residents received the new cart. The distribution of another 2,000 new carts is currently underway. Residents should begin using their new carts immediately following your next weekly pickup to help with the City's switch to the new automated system.

Residents may keep their old carts for yard waste pick-up, but should not use them for normal trash pick-up. Residents who wish to use the old carts for yard waste can call 704-878-3415 and request a green sticker which will identify the old cart as a yard waste cart. Residents will be notified later this year to place their old carts on the curb for pick-up if they no longer wish to use them.

The reason some residents have not yet received a new cart is because they are not on this year's route. Residents who believe they were skipped in this distribution may have already received a new cart because of wear-and-tear on their old cart. If there are questions about the delivery of the new carts, call 704-878-3415.

Attached to the new carts is a packet of information and instructions on how to properly use the new carts. The automated trucks only work if the carts are placed on the curb correctly and only used for garbage pick-up. Trash placed on the curb in boxes, bags or unapproved containers will not be picked up. The cart should not be overloaded (the lid should not be more than six inches open) and must be placed three feet from any other object, including the recycling cart.

Residents are allowed only two carts for garbage collection. A second cart may be purchased from the City for \$61.25 by calling 704-878-3415.

## SANITATION SERVICE OPT-OUT INFORMATION

The opting out of the solid waste fee by some property owners has affected more than 100 residential properties. These properties will no longer receive Statesville City sanitation services (garbage pick-up, recycling pick-up, curbside leaf and yard waste collection and bulky item pick-up).

City Sanitation crews are currently picking up Statesville-issued garbage and recycling containers from these addresses and instructing the residents to contact their landlords for information on future solid waste services.

## 2017-2018 LEAF COLLECTION

The Sanitation Division is preparing for the upcoming curbside leaf collection season. Leaf collection will officially start the week of November 6.

Weekly notification of where the trucks are working is posted on the City's government cable channel 20, website ([www.statesvillenc.net](http://www.statesvillenc.net)) and Facebook ([www.facebook.com/CityofStatesville/](http://www.facebook.com/CityofStatesville/)), and announced during the Sunday Night Hello Statesville call. Call 704-878-3586 to register for these calls or to hear a recording on the current leaf collection location.

To serve Statesville residents efficiently, the City is divided into four sections with leaf collection schedules for each. Weather, work load, and holidays may alter the schedule.

Section 1 (west of S. Center St./Shelton Ave. and south of W. Broad/W. Front Streets)

Section 2 (east of S. Center St./Shelton Ave. and south of E. Broad St.)

Section 3 (east of N. Center St. and north of E. Broad St.)

Section 4 (west of N. Center St. and north of W. Broad/W. Front Streets)

Loose leaves can be raked and piled on the curb. A city ordinance prohibits loose leaves from extending into the street or onto sidewalks so as to impede traffic. The leaves should not cover water meters or fire hydrants.

The City cannot collect loose leaves that contain limbs, debris and other materials. Ideally, leaves bagged, boxed, or placed in a container are the easiest to collect.

Leaves and yard debris should not be in the same container with regular trash items. These are collected and disposed of separately.

The leaf crews cover the entire city before returning to an area. Leaves are not picked up on the same schedule as the garbage and recycling collection schedules. Temporary workers are hired during leaf season to make sure that no sanitation services are affected by the leaf collection. An area is served about three times during a four-month period.

Citizens are asked to please rake leaves to the curb by 7 a.m. on Monday to ensure collection.