

In the News

We are aware that not all residents (or businesses) receive our newsletters regularly. This newsletter is being mailed to all postal patrons in the hope of reaching a wider audience. We hope that you find this information useful. ATTENTION BUSINESS OWNERS: check out the "Commercial Corner" inside.

The information included in this newsletter is intended for residents and businesses within the City of Desert Hot Springs. Some mail carrier routes may include addresses outside of the City; we apologize for this inconvenience.

FREE Summer Clean-Up

The Summer Clean-up will be held July 26 – 31. Place your discards and extra waste at the street by 6 A.M. on Monday, July 26th, for collection during that week. *(You do not need to call for pick-up.)*

OR, bring your materials to the FREE drop-off location at the City's Corporation Yard at the West end of Hacienda Blvd. on Saturday, July 31st, 8 A.M. - 2 P.M. Residents of Desert Hot Springs only; I.D. required.

Remember to contact a local charity if your discards are still useful to someone else.

Electronic waste, (TV's, computers, etc.) and bulky waste (tires, furniture, appliances, etc.) can all be brought to our Drop-off Site.

PLEASE NOTE: There will be changes coming to the October clean-up. Watch for the announcement in the October newsletter.

Yes, We Collect Green Waste

"Green waste" is the term used to describe branches, trimmings, weeds, grass clippings and the like. Whether you have Green Waste every week or just occasionally, we will collect and recycle it. Just place your Green Waste at the street on your regular

collection day in a 32-gallon can (no plastic bags please) OR tie it in bundles not longer than 4-feet in length and 2-feet in diameter, and we will collect it FREE of charge.

Recycling at Home

You may recycle these in your Blue Cart:

<i>Metal</i>	Steel & aluminum beverage, food & aerosol cans, rinsed aluminum pie plates, dinner trays & foil.
<i>Paper</i>	Newspaper, magazines, catalogs, phone books, bulk mail, office & computer paper, envelopes, gift wrap, cardboard, food boxes, shoeboxes, paper towel & toilet paper tubes, paper egg cartons.
<i>Glass</i>	Any color of beverage bottles & food jars
<i>Plastic</i>	Any bottle, jug or container and plastic shopping bags.

Household Hazardous Waste

Residents may dispose of paint, pesticides and any common household hazardous waste every non-holiday Saturday, from 9 A.M. to 2 P.M. The HHW facility is located at 1100 Vella Road, Palm Springs, just south of E. Mesquite Avenue.

For more information, visit:

www.rivcowm.org/hhw/hhw_schedule.html

E-Waste & Ink Cartridge Drop-Off

Our facility is just a block away from the HHW facility. We accept Electronic Waste and used ink cartridges for recycling FREE, every weekday between 8 A.M. and 3 P.M.

Wind in the Forecast

We are well aware that a windy day can contribute to increased litter on collection day.

Recyclables seem to contribute more litter than trash, so, since April, we have been collecting recycling carts before coming back to collect trash carts.

We are also working with our truck body manufacturer to redesign the truck hopper to help reduce litter.

You can help too. Bag loose paper and plastic bags before placing them in your trash or recycling cart. *Less light material in the cart means LESS LITTER on the street.*

Some Cart Instructions

Trash and recycling carts should be placed at the street for collection with some simple rules in mind.

1. The cart should be placed with the handle toward your dwelling.
2. All contents should be in the cart with the lid closed.
3. Carts should be at least 4-feet from parked autos, mail boxes, utility poles, fences, trees or any other object.
4. Do not mix any trash in your recycling cart.

Report Litter

We systematically patrol City streets to collect litter along the roadway. Please report roadside litter by leaving a message at 327-SAVE.

Commercial Corner

**ATTENTION BUSINESS OWNERS:
THIS SECTION IS FOR YOU.**

Free Recycling

We offer our commercial customers a free recycling container with one free pickup each week. Contact your account representative for more information.

If you share the trash bin provided at your center, you can arrange your own recycling cart or recycling bin for a nominal fee. A cart may fit conveniently inside your establishment.

Recycling Help

Don't know where to begin with a business recycling program? We offer free guidance to every business. Contact our office and ask for a "waste audit."

Electronic Waste

Businesses can also drop off Electronic Waste (computers, monitors, TV's, etc.) and ink cartridges at our Palm Springs facility for recycling. This drop-off service is available Monday through Friday, 8 A.M. to 3 P.M., and it is free.

Temporary Bins & Boxes

If you are clearing out debris or remodeling, we rent bins and debris boxes for short-term rental.

Locking Bins

We offer locking bins to help stem unauthorized use of your bin. Charges do apply.