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"We Have
Tomorrow —
Bright Before
Us, Like A
Flame."

Langston Hughes

City info available online at lawrenceks.org and on cable Channel 25. The FLAME is published by the City Manager's Office, 832-3400.

New Recycling Carts Rolling Your Way! Delivery of recycling carts to start September 8, Collection to start October 21

From September 8 through mid-October the city will deliver a standard 95-gallon blue recycling cart to all Lawrence single-family residences. Approximately 24,000 recycling carts will be assembled and delivered by the city's contractor, Rehrig Pacific, the cart manufacturer. The cart delivery days will be Monday through Saturday. The initial roll-out of recycling carts will be for 95-gallon carts only. For customers with special needs, please contact the Solid Waste Division at solidwaste@lawrenceks.org or (785) 832-3032 to request a smaller recycling cart.



The recycling program participation is voluntary and you may decline to receive a recycling cart; however, solid waste rates will be adjusted in October to include recycling for all residential customers.

When will the city's recycling collection service begin?

Recycling collection for single-family and multi-family homes in Lawrence will begin on October 21. Please visit www.LawrenceRecycles.org to look up your first day of service. Recycling collection frequency will be every-other-week on the same day as your trash day.

Which recyclable materials will be accepted?

The following permitted recyclable materials may be placed in the new blue cart for recycling collection:

- glass food and beverage containers,
- mixed paper (magazines, junk mail, chipboard, milk/juice cartons, telephone books),
- newsprint (newspaper, advertising supplements),
- office paper,
- shredded paper (must be in a clear plastic bag),
- cardboard containers (unwaxed cardboard only),
- tin, steel, aluminum and bimetal food and beverage containers,
- scrap metal (sized less than 30-inches in each direction and less than 50 pounds), and
- plastic containers marked with recycling symbols #1 through #7 (plastic bottles, tubs and jars).

For additional information, visit www.LawrenceRecycles.org.

Service Alert! for Deffenbaugh Residential Curbside Recycling Customers

Deffenbaugh has scheduled their final recycling collection in Lawrence the week of September 22. On your day of service that week, please leave your Deffenbaugh recycling cart at the curb for collection by their cart retrieval teams. The city recycling collection service will begin on October 21, which is the earliest date allowed by state law. To find your day of service and for additional recycling information, please visit www.LawrenceRecycles.org.



**Never miss
your trash or
recycling day
again!**

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services by e-mail or text, and view
or download the service calendar
for your address — it's fast and easy,
all you need to get started is an
e-mail account.**

**Sign up now!
notify.lawrenceks.org**

City Departments Work Together to Use Sustainable Technologies

The City of Lawrence recently purchased state-of-the-art, environmentally friendly trucks for use by the Horticulture and Forestry Division within the Parks and Recreation Department.

The two new water trucks have EPA-certified systems which use alternative fuel – compressed natural gas (CNG) and gasoline. The trucks have a watering system with movable arms on the front of the truck that are controlled from inside the cab to spray plants and trees, saving employees time from having to exit the truck to water by hose. The water being used is also effluent, non-potable water from the Lawrence Waste Water Treatment Plant.

A new bucket truck has been added to the fleet which uses hybrid technology and provides full electric stationary operation of the truck when the bucket is deployed, eliminating the use of diesel fuel to operate the bucket lift system.

These new trucks have decals noting their respective sustainable practices and are in use throughout Lawrence already.



Bucket Truck (left) used for trimming street trees throughout Lawrence. The water trucks (below) are used to water city landscaping and right-of-way plantings.



Safe Grilling Tips from Fire Medical

Summer is a great time for being outdoors and enjoying backyard barbecues, lake side campfires and neighborhood get-togethers. Fire Medical has a few tips for making sure your grilling get-together stays safe and fun.

For single-family residences and duplexes, grilling, or the use of open-flame cooking devices, should not be done on combustible decks, patios, or balconies nor within 10-feet of a combustible surface. Never use a grill indoors.

For apartment buildings, it is unlawful to grill, or use of open flame cooking devices, on combustible decks, patios, or balconies or within 10-feet of a combustible surface that is not protected by an automatic sprinkler system. Propane bottles over 2 ½ lbs. are not permitted to be stored on combustible decks, patios, or balconies nor within 10-feet of combustible surfaces not protected by an automatic sprinkler system.



If you use a starter fluid, use only charcoal starter fluid. Never add charcoal fluid or any other flammable liquids to the fire once it is burning.

For additional information, visit lawrenceks.org/fire_medical/summer-fire-safety.



Did you know the city has a Human Relations Commission that works to eliminate discrimination in employment, housing & public accommodations?

The Human Relations Commission meets every 3rd Thursday in February, May, August, and November at 5:30 p.m., Carnegie Building, East Gallery room.

Find out information online at our website, www.lawrenceks.org/attorney or call 832-3310 to find out about city Human Relations Ordinances and the complaint process.

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