

## Bellevue Nebraska Solid Waste Program

Recycling, Landfill Trash, and Yard Waste Information for the Citizens of Bellevue, Nebraska

**IT 'S ALMOST FALL! HERE IS WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW TO HANDLE FALL YARD AND CLEAN UP PROJECTS.**

### Brown Carts Are For Yard Waste And They Are FREE!

Compostable yard waste goes in your brown cart. Yard waste season runs April 1—November 30. From December 1—March 31, brown carts may be used for landfill trash.

- Yard waste includes leaves, lawn clippings, prunings, weeds, and dead plant material.
- Yard waste that does not fit in the cart may be placed in brown bio bags and placed alongside the brown cart. If using bio bags, your brown cart must also be at the curb, and the bags should not weigh more than 40 pounds. Please do NOT put your yard waste in plastic bags.
- And don't forget: the price you pay is based solely ON THE SIZE OF LANDFILL TRASH CART SELECTED. You are not required to receive a recycling or compostable yard waste cart, however, these carts are included with the price of the landfill trash cart.



### Fall Clean Up Is Saturday, October 5th

Mark your calendars for fall clean up on Saturday, October 5th. City Street Department areas located at 29th & Hancock and 8252 Cedar Island Road will be open from 7:00 AM to 3:00 PM on that day for residents to drop off solid waste.



This cleanup is for City of Bellevue residents. Please bring your previous month's M.U.D. bill showing the trash fee to prove residency because this trash fee pays for the clean-up. The Fall Clean Up is restricted to residential items only. Commercial and business items will not be accepted and no vehicles larger than pickup trucks will be permitted unless prior arrangements are made.

If you are a senior citizen or an individual with disabilities and need assistance, Papillion Sanitation will only be able to collect bulk items curbside from residents that meet the City's requirements for this service. Please call Papillion Sanitation at 402-346-7800 to schedule your collection.



### What About Branches?

Branches over one inch in diameter (about the size of your thumb) are considered landfill trash as they cannot be composted. They must be cut to a size that will fit in your blue cart with the lid closed. You may also take them to the City's free tree dump located at 8902 Cedar Island Road on the last Saturday of the month from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

### CAN I COMPOST MY LEAVES?

According to the Sierra Club, you can compost fall leaves, if you do it properly. Decomposition of a leaf pile is directly related to the size of the pile ie the larger the pile, the longer it will take to decompose. A good rule of thumb is to keep you pile 3 ft x 3 ft x 3 ft. You will also want to provide greens, moisture, and airflow.