



Bellevue Nebraska Solid Waste Program

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

Save the Date: Spring Clean Up is May 9, 2026

Details will be emailed and posted on our website when available.

Recycling Shredded Paper

We often get the question: Can I recycle shredded paper? The answer is yes, but it requires proper preparation. Shredded paper is difficult to recycle because it can jam sorting equipment at recycling facilities, and if dumped loose in your cart, it can contaminate other recyclables, blow around if the lid of the cart is open, or make a mess in your cart if it gets wet.

Follow these guidelines to help prevent these issues and make it easier for facilities to process your shredded paper responsibly.

1. Place shredded paper in a paper bag or a clear plastic bag. Never place loose shredded paper in your cart.
2. If using a paper bag, label it as "Shredded Paper" so workers at the recycling facility can identify the bag and ensure it goes into the correct machinery.
3. Only shred sensitive documents like tax records or medical files. Recycle non-sensitive papers whole.

You can also watch for free shredding options. Banks or credit unions occasionally hold free shredding events, as does AARP or the Better Business Bureau.

Follow these easy preparations, and you can rest assured that your shredded paper will be recycled.

Memorial Day Service Schedule

The next holiday affecting service is Memorial Day. We will be closed Monday, May 25 in observance of the holiday. All service for the week will be delayed by one day. Monday routes will be run on Tuesday, Tuesday routes on Wednesday and so on. We will be working Saturday, May 30 to service our Friday customers. Regular service schedule resumes Monday, June 1, 2026.

Yard Waste Season Begins April 6

During yard waste season, brown yard waste carts may be used for yard waste only. Please do not place other items in your brown cart beginning the week of April 6, as contents of your brown cart and brown bio bags are used for compost.

- 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.
- Branches over one inch in diameter cannot be composted. They must be cut to a size that will fit in your blue cart with the lid closed. **BETTER OPTION:** 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.
- And don't forget: your trash bill is based solely ON THE SIZE OF YOUR LANDFILL TRASH CART. You are not required to receive a yard waste cart, however, these carts are included with the price of the landfill trash cart..

City of Bellevue residents may also drop off yard waste at the City of Omaha Compost Processing Facility at 6606 S 60th Street. (the former Al Veys ballfields at 60th and Harrison). Material may be dropped off at this location beginning April 1, 2026. There is no charge for this disposal option.