



## ***Important Notice: Changes to Your Residential Garbage and Recycling Collection Services!***

Effective **February 1, 2018**, your residential garbage, yard waste and recycling collection services will be modified. These changes will improve collection efficiency, convenience, reduce carbon footprint, reduce wear on City roads, and reduce costs. Your garbage waste stream will be handled in a more “environmentally friendly” way and your bill will reflect a \$1.01 decrease for your sanitation service.

Your City’s collector, Waste Management (WM) will be transporting all residential garbage, yard waste and recyclable materials to the Covanta Waste-To-Energy plant in Lake County. Covanta operates a “state of the art” facility which transforms all waste materials into electricity through incineration.

Therefore, WM will now be collecting **garbage, recyclables and yard waste** at the **same time**, twice per week on your current service days, **Monday and Thursday**. **Yard waste will no longer be picked on Wednesday**. The same rules and limitations still apply to the preparation of your yard waste for pickup. (No piece of yard waste to exceed four feet in length or six inches in diameter, and the total accumulation not to exceed two (2) cubic yards in size.)

Florida state law allows the hauler to mix yard waste and household garbage when the materials are sent to a “waste to energy” plant. Under this “greener” initiative, twice per month **separate recycling collection will cease as of February 1, 2018**. World recycling economics are becoming more and more difficult and costly for the processing and the sale of recycling commodities. However, all of your household garbage will now be turned into electricity. Please **do not separate your recyclables** from your household garbage. You may keep your recycling bin for storage or other uses.

In 2016, Covanta Waste to Energy Plant produced 81,827 megawatt hours of electricity, recycled 4930 tons of ferrous metals and 315 tons of non-ferrous metals.

More Great News! WM has also agreed to collect residential garbage/yard waste with new collection vehicles powered by Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) engines! The CNG engines are quieter and cleaner, significantly reducing exhaust pollutants!

**For further information regarding the City’s new “greener” collection program, please Call Public Services at 352-465-8590 or visit [www.dunnellon.org](http://www.dunnellon.org) and REMEMBER:**

- Service pick-up dates remain Monday and Thursday
- Household garbage and yard waste picked up both days
- No additional recycling necessary
- Same rules for yard waste/trash still apply
- Going “Greener” is now cheaper

Cut here and use the bottom as a reminder by placing on your refrigerator for future reference

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### **City of Dunnellon Residential Sanitation Schedule Effective 2/1/2018**

Household garbage (includes recyclables) plus yard waste pickup = Monday and Thursday 7:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
Do not separate recyclables from household garbage. Household garbage cans must not exceed 50 lbs. Yard trash not to exceed four feet in length or six inches in diameter, and the total accumulation not to exceed two (2) cubic yards in size per pickup.