



**CELEBRATE
EARTH DAY
APRIL 22ND**

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REDUCE ANOKA'S WASTE
SPRING 2025

Waste Reduction & Recycling Board Members

Meet the passionate volunteers behind the Waste Reduction & Recycling Board (WRRB), dedicated to improving the environment and promoting sustainability. The board members serve as advisors to the City Council on residential recycling, waste reduction, and reuse initiatives. They play an essential role in developing ideas, coordinating events, and driving efforts to help the city meet its recycling goals.



Thanks to the hard work and commitment of the WRRB members and to residents, approximately 1530 tons of materials (about 86% of our goal of 1778 tons) was recycled! These collective efforts make a significant impact in working together toward a cleaner, greener Anoka.

The seven-member board meets monthly on the second Wednesday at 5 p.m. at Anoka City Hall. Thank you to the WRRB members for their dedication and volunteer service and to city residents for your continued waste reduction efforts.

Front Row: Eileen Rathbun, Jan Call, Brenda Belland Back Row: Cheryl Knapke, Chair Veronica Jones, Marijo Hain, Vice Chair Sue Dergantz

SPRING DROP-OFF RECYCLING EVENT

Saturday, April 26 | 8 a.m. – Noon

501 Pierce St. (enter off 7th Ave. & Pierce St.)



FREE to Recycle:

- Appliances (major; stove, refrigerator, dryer, etc.)
- Batteries (all household & lead acid)
(please bag lithium batteries separately)
- Bicycles (any condition; for Bikes4Kids)
- Cell phones, eyeglasses, ink cartridges, hearing aids
- Computer towers, laptops, tablets, (cords, cables, etc.)
- Corrugated cardboard
- Fluorescent lamps (limit 30), bulbs, ballasts, holiday lights
- Scrap metal (must remove all non-metal parts and fluids; grills and lawn mowers accepted)

\$ FEES \$ to Recycle (per item):

Electronics – Cash or check to Recycling Technologies, Inc.

\$6 – DVD/VCR/CD players, stereos, record players, small copiers, speakers, small appliances (toaster, coffee maker, etc.), fans, landline phones, cable boxes, tools, game consoles, etc.

\$7 – Computer or laptop with hard drive intact

\$10 – Desktop printer | \$35 large printers (over 40 lbs.)

TVs & Computer Monitors

\$20 – up to 17”

\$30 – 18”-31”

\$55 – 32”+

\$85 – console/rear projection TVs

\$20 – additional broken TV or CRT

\$25 – non-electric exercise equipment

\$40 – Treadmill

Mattresses/Box Springs – Cash or check to Recycle Technologies, Inc.

\$10 – Crib mattress

\$15 – Twin, full, queen or king (any condition, but MUST be dry)

Tires – Cash or check to First State Tire Disposal

\$1.75 – ATV or motorcycle tires (on/off rims)

\$2.50 – passenger tires

\$3 – light truck 16” & 17” (on/off rims)

\$5.25 – Bobcat or skid steer (on/off rims)

\$9-\$50 – Semi and tractor, varying sizes and types

(\$10 additional on rim)

DONATE – Gently Used Clothing, Accessories and Shoes (in good condition only):

- Clothing, accessories, bedding and linens. No socks, underwear, or soiled items to support the Epilepsy Foundation.
- Shoes – All types of gently used shoes accepted. We are partnering with Peterson Shoes of Anoka to support Soles4Souls which benefits people in need in the U.S. and around the world.

NOT Accepted Auto hulks, building/construction materials (windows, doors, wood, glass, etc.), carpet, child car seats, furniture, household décor/knick knacks, garbage, hazardous waste (paint, oil, propane tanks, etc.), smoke detectors, carbon monoxide detectors, yard waste, organics, or compost.

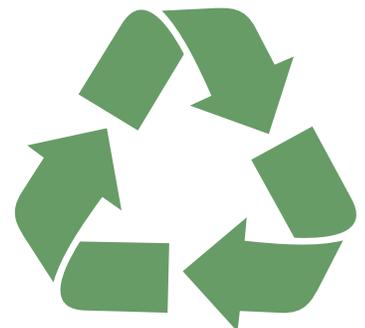
We reserve the right to refuse items.

Questions? Call 763-576-2725 or email pbowman@ci.anoka.mn.us
BEFORE Friday, April 25th or visit anokaminnesota.com.

Thank you to Anoka Municipal Utility for subsidizing costs for appliances and fluorescent recycling. The Anoka Lions Club for volunteering, and for Public Services for labor assistance.

This event is funded by the Anoka County Board of Commissioners & State SCORE (Select Committee on Recycling and the Environment) funds.

**CASH OR CHECKS ONLY – NO CREDIT CARDS
ACCEPTED BY ANY VENDOR!**



REDUCE & REUSE EVENTS

Anoka Citywide Garage Sale



ANOKA
REAL. CLASSIC.

Citywide
GARAGE SALE
FREE REGISTRATION

Sale Dates: **May 16 & 17, 2025**
Friday & Saturday | 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Register your sale online by 4 p.m., May 2nd at:
www.anokaminnesota.com | Questions? 763-576-2725

WASTE REDUCTION & RECYCLING BOARD

The poster features a dark green background with white and light green text. On the right side, there is a vertical column of white icons representing various household items: a ball, a shoe, a chair, a desk, a lamp, a clock, and a pair of scissors.

Do you like to host garage sales or do you like to attend them? Either way, join us in our 3rd Annual Citywide Garage Sale on Friday and Saturday, May 16th & 17th.

If you plan to host a garage sale on either or both dates, register for FREE at anokaminnesota.com. All registered addresses will be added to a map that will be shared with the public. Registration closes at 4 p.m. on Friday, May 2nd.

If you like checking out garage sales, mark your calendar! This is a great way to reuse items that could otherwise end up in a landfill. Contact Pam at 763-576-2725 or email pbowman@ci.anoka.mn.us.

Anoka County Reuse Event



REUSE EVENT

Anoka County Fair Grounds, 3200 St. Francis Blvd., Anoka
Participants are responsible for loading, unloading, and transport of their items on May 17th and May 18th.

INTAKE/ DROP OFF SATURDAY MAY 17
3:00 - 7:00 p.m.

May 17th is materials intake day. Drop off unwanted household items in good condition. Find the list of accepted items here: AnokaCountyMN.gov/Reuse

REUSE EVENT SUNDAY MAY 18
10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

May 18th is event day. All are welcome to attend, browse, and take home what you'd like to reuse. For more information call: 763-324-3400.

Anoka County
RECYCLING & RESOURCE SOLUTIONS

The poster has a brown, textured background. It features a large white recycling symbol on the left and a QR code in a white circle on the right. The text is in white and light brown colors.

FREE ORGANICS RECYCLING DROP-OFF PROGRAM

Start Small, Make a Big Impact



Are you considering participating in Anoka's organics recycling program but feeling overwhelmed? Wondering how to keep track of it all or get your family on board? Don't worry, it's easier than you think and it's FREE!

Start by focusing on one category of organics recycling, and gradually build from there. Here are a few simple starting points:

- **Cooking and Meal Scraps:** Save food scraps like vegetable peels, egg shells, and coffee grounds.
- **Refrigerator Clean-Out:** Clean out expired or unused produce, dairy, or leftovers to keep your fridge fresh and reduce waste.
- **Tissues and Paper Towels:** Instead of tossing these into the trash, add them to the organics recycling collection.

Every little bit helps! By starting small, you can make a big difference in reducing waste and contributing to a healthier environment. It's easy to get started – one step at a time!

Our organics drop-off site is located 649 East Garfield Street in the surface lot south of the Anoka Metro Regional Treatment Center. The entrance and exit is off 7th Ave.

For your FREE organics kit (including free compostable bags) and detailed information, please contact Pam to sign up – 763-576-2725 or email pbowman@ci.anoka.mn.us.

TIPS TO KEEP FOOD FRESHER, LONGER

- Invert cottage cheese/sour cream containers after sealing to create a vacuum seal, extending freshness.
- Wrap banana stems with foil/plastic and store separately from other fruits to slow ripening.
- Refrigerate red spices and keep all spices away from stove heat to preserve flavor.
- Leave avocado pit in and apply lemon juice/olive oil to exposed flesh to prevent browning.
- After washing and dicing green onions, dry the excess dampness, and place them in a dry water bottle. Close the bottle and keep it in the freezer.
- Store tomatoes in a paper bag.
- Keep bruised apples away from your good ones.

REDUCE WASTE IN THE ANOKA SOCIAL DISTRICT: A GALL TO RECYCLE



As the Anoka Social District opens in 2025 for another season in downtown Anoka from May 1 through October 5th, we celebrate the return of outdoor dining and socializing in our vibrant community.

In an effort to reduce our environmental footprint, we ask all visitors to help by recycling their plastic cups in the designated blue-lid recycling containers placed throughout the district.

We kindly ask that you do not include straws or any items with your cup.

By working together, we can ensure that this year's Social District season is both fun and environmentally friendly. Thank you for helping make Anoka a greener, more sustainable community!

Learn more at anokaminnesota.com/764/Anoka-Social-District.



CURBSIDE RECYCLING OPPORTUNITY – Appliances & Electronics Only

Anoka is partnering with JRs Advanced Recyclers for a spring curbside pickup service on Tuesday, May 20, 2025. This service is only for household appliances and electronics. No other materials will be collected.

Call JRs Advanced Recycling (651-454-9215) to:

- Sign up, no later than Friday, May 16, 2025
- Make payment directly with them
- Ask questions

Have your item(s) at your curb on Tuesday, May 20th by 7 a.m. JRs will be servicing until 2 p.m.

FEES:

- The city will cover transportation/labor costs through SCORE funding
- Residents' recycling fees are as follows:

Major Appliances (no ammonia units):

- \$10/ea. Must be shown to be cleaned out (no food/materials)

Electronics: Prices are per item

- FREE: Keyboard, mouse, and cords
- If not listed—call JRs for information

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| CD, DVD, or VCR Player | \$5 | Stereo Console | \$50 |
| Copier (small) | \$25 | Treadmill | \$25 |
| Copier (medium) | \$60 | TV (13" and smaller) | \$25 |
| Laptop | \$15 | TV (14"-19") | \$30 |
| Monitor (CRT up to 17") | \$30 | TV (20"-27") | \$35 |
| Monitor (CRT 18" and up) | \$35 | TV (28" and larger) | \$55 |
| Printer (small) | \$15 | TV Console | \$55 |
| Printer (large/laser) | \$35 | TV (Plasma/LCD 4"-20") | \$20 |
| Small Radio or Scanner | \$15 | TV (Plasma/LCD 21"+) | \$30 |
| Stereo Receiver | \$25 | Vacuum cleaner | \$5 |

Residential Recycling Questions?

ACE Solid Waste, Inc. 763-427-3110

- Curbside recycling information
- Missed service
- Service schedule
- Additional recycling container (no charge)

City Recycling Manager 763-576-2725
General residential recycling information



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