

## **Village Residents to Receive New Wheeled Garbage Carts in September** *96-Gallon Gray Toters to Be Primary Refuse Containers*

ORLAND PARK, IL – AUG 26, 2013 - Village of Orland Park residents will receive new carts for garbage disposal in September and see the collection of recyclables increased to weekly service in November, the village and Waste Management of Illinois, Inc. announced today.

Each household receiving curbside waste collection will receive a new 96-gallon container in September with distribution of the carts taking approximately four to six weeks, according to Waste Management. The gray carts have hinged lids to contain wastes and discourage animals and are also equipped with wheels, making it easier for residents to move their trash to the curbs.

Households will continue to use the current blue recycling carts for recyclable goods.

“The Village of Orland Park was one of the first communities in the State of Illinois to offer village wide curbside recycling,” said Mayor Dan McLaughlin. “Providing weekly pick-ups for recyclables will mean more recycling volumes with less going to landfills, keeping with Orland Park’s commitment to being a green community,” the mayor said.

Village residents may obtain a smaller, 64-gallon container by completing the mail-in card that they will receive in the mail, returning it to Waste Management by August 30. Cards will also be available at Orland Park’s Village Hall, 14700 South Ravinia Avenue. Residents can also call Waste Management at 1-800-796-9696 for more information.

“Village of Orland Park residents will receive information in the mail about Orland Park’s service,” said Mike Morley, municipal marketing representative for Waste Management. “The new carts are made of sturdy plastic and are designed to be residents’ primary refuse containers,” he said.

“These improvements are part of the enhanced service system that the Village Board approved earlier this year,” said Trustee Ed Schussler, chair of the village’s Public Works and Engineering Committee. “We’re hoping that everyone takes advantage of the weekly recyclables pick up and increases how much Orland Park residents already recycle,” Schussler said.

Residents now renting gray refuse carts will keep them; however, the monthly rental fees will stop on October 1. Refunds will be processed automatically and residents will receive them in mid-to-late November. Residents who have previously purchased waste wheeler carts will receive new carts unless they notify Waste Management that they do not need new ones. There is no charge for the new carts.

Residents will be able to purchase or rent additional carts for refuse, recycling or yard waste by calling Waste Management at 1-800-796-9696.

Weekly recyclable collections in the Village of Orland Park will begin the week of November 4. Residents should place their recyclables, trash and yard waste at their curbs by 6 a.m. on their collection days.

Recyclables that Waste Management collects include paper and cardboard, metals, glass and plastics. Yard waste in the Village of Orland Park is collected April 1 through November 30 each year.

When placing the wheeled toters curbside, the wheels should be toward the house with the containers three feet apart so the truck's automated arm can easily pick up and empty each bin. Residents are reminded that toters should not be placed in the street and should be placed on the parkway at the curb.

"The new carts will improve the village's collection system and make it easier on residents," McLaughlin said. "The move to weekly recyclable collection in November expands the program and will increase what residents generate for use in recycled products," he said.