

Holiday Schedule

Residential customers looking for up-to-date information about our holiday schedule, call our Holiday Hotline at 303-448-2280 or visit our website: westerndisposal.com.

The following holidays are observed by Western Disposal:

- Christmas Day Dec. 25, 2017
- New Year's Day Jan. 1, 2018
- Memorial Day May 28, 2018
- Independence Day . . . July 4, 2018
- Labor Day Sept. 3, 2018
- Thanksgiving Day . . Nov. 22, 2018

Snow Removal

During the winter, snow and ice make it difficult for our drivers to access and maneuver your collection containers. To ensure that your containers can be emptied, please remove any snow in front of your containers or enclosures, especially drifts or piles.



TWENTY NINTH STREET

The Twenty Ninth Street Mall provides a central shopping and event hub in Boulder for both residents and tourists alike. Opening in 2006 at the site of the old Crossroads Mall, the Twenty Ninth Street mall offers a diverse mix of approximately 80 retail stores and restaurants, Dave & Lydia Lavigne, in addition to providing office space for a number of Boulder companies.

Macerich manages the Twenty Ninth Street Mall, and from the beginning, has focused on sustainability as a key component to managing the property. Their goal is to create a healthy environment for employees, tenants, and guests and sustain this environment for future generations.

As a reflection of this goal, they have implemented numerous sustainable measures with the plan of reducing their greenhouse gas emissions, energy use, water consumption, and waste generation by 10 percent by 2020 at the Mall. Here are just a few of the measures they have implemented:

- Installed 2,906 solar panels that produce 727kw of power in 2014.
- Currently, partnering with the City of Boulder, Boulder County and Xcel Energy for a Tenant Sustainability Program designed to help advance more efficient, sustainable and cost-effective operations.
- Installed waterless urinals, automatic flush and automatic faucets in restrooms.
- Motion sensor lights used to conserve energy usage.
- Xeriscape landscape to conserve water consumption while maintaining a beautiful shopping environment.
- Easy access to alternative transportation options such as hosting two B-Cycle bike rental stations, providing electric car charging stations, hosting a Zip Car, and offering a Hop bus station.

In addition to these sustainability efforts, Macerich provides single stream recycling and composting service, along with the trash service, for the tenants. They are also now even piloting a special plastic wrap recycling program aimed at keeping this material from the landfill. They have provided these services even before the City of Boulder's Zero Waste Ordinance began requiring it as it matched their sustainability values. However, providing recycling and compost to a wide range of retail and restaurants on such a large outdoor, Jeff Salzman, property is a serious challenge. To help implement these services and address these challenges, Macerich partnered with Sustainable Solutions Group (SSG) to manage the complex logistics of waste diversion from the Mall. SSG has maintained that the key to successful implementation is constant communication and continuous education with the tenants.

Western Disposal has provided the hauling of the trash, recycling and composting for the Mall since its opening and is proud to partner in their diversion efforts. In 2016, the mall composted over 154 tons of material while recycling over 300 tons. This is an incredible accomplishment and Western Disposal applauds their commitment to diversion and to sustainability in general.

According to Macerich, "Twenty Ninth Street is committed to creating long-term value by improving our natural resource efficiency, and operating and developing the center in a sustainable and environmentally sound manner. Our sustainable practices at Twenty Ninth Street align itself with our commitments to our retailers, our partners and the Boulder community. We are fortunate to have great partners like Western Disposal and SSG to help with these efforts."

FREE CUSTOMER APPRECIATION EVENTS 2018 SCHEDULE

Document-Shredding Days



Western Disposal partners with Shred-It, a document destruction company, to offer free shredding of confidential materials; **other recyclables are not accepted.**

WHO: For Western Disposal residential customers only; events are not open to the general public.

WHAT: Bring your confidential materials such as tax returns, medical forms, bank statements, etc., for safe and secure destruction.

- Volume limit: 5 copy boxes or 32-gallon bags weighing no more than 35 lbs. each
- No separating required
- Clips and staples are okay
- Folders and notebooks are okay. No 3-ring binders please!
- No phonebooks, catalogs or magazines
- No electronic media—paper documents only.

WHERE: Western Disposal's Trash and Recycle Center, 5880 Butte Mill Road, Boulder

WHEN: Events are scheduled on Sundays so that we are not competing with the traffic of our own equipment and the public bringing in trash and recyclable materials.

- Sunday, June 3rd
- Sunday, August 5th
- Sunday, October 7th
- 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m.

Free Compost and Mulch Days Have Been Discontinued

In May 2017, Western Disposal announced a change in our compost facility operations. We are no longer processing organic material into compost. Instead, we are grinding collected material to emerald ash borer quarantine standards and transporting this material to A-1 Organics in Keenesburg for compost processing. For the foreseeable future, we will continue to sell compost purchased from A-1 Organics at our Trash and Recycle Center. However, because we are no longer making our own compost at our facility, we are no longer in a position to give compost away.

Free mulch, made from yard waste dropped off at Western Disposal, will continue to be available year-round at the City of Boulder public works site, located at 5301 Pearl Parkway in Boulder. The entrance is on the north side of Pearl Parkway between 55th and 49th streets. Remember to bring containers, gloves and a shovel or pitchfork to load your mulch. Please note free mulch WILL NOT be available directly through Western Disposal.



Can I Recycle...?

Recent equipment upgrades at the Boulder County Recycling Center promise to increase both the quality and volume of plastics being recycled in our Community. This state-of-the-art optical equipment can sort additional plastics such as berry containers, flat tub lids, take-out containers and rigid plastics that up to now had been generally headed for the landfill.

Rigid plastic is a completely new category for your single-stream cart, and opens the opportunity to recycle large rigid flower pots, plastic crates, 5-gallon buckets (no need to remove handles) and those increasingly common hard plastic four- & six-pack drink holders. Plastic backyard toys can also be recycled; HOWEVER, they must fit in your cart. Wheeled toys must have metal axles removed.

If you would like to recycle an item that won't fit in your cart there are two options:

- Disassemble or cut the item down into pieces that fit in the cart
- Drop it off at the Center for Hard to Recycle Materials (ChaRM) located at 6400 Arapahoe in Boulder. For more information on this option call 303-444-6634.

Please do not leave these items outside of your cart if you would like them to be recycled. Rigid plastics left outside the cart will be collected as trash and extra trash charges will apply.

Other than the items mentioned above, the list of what cannot be recycled remains the same. This includes plastic bags of any kind, film-plastic packaging, frozen food boxes, Styrofoam, plastic coated paper and plastic cups and flatware. Updated guidelines, Kirk Thoning and Ellen De Money, can be downloaded from our website. Please visit westerndisposal.com and click the "Recycle Guidelines" link on the left.

Win One Month Free Trash Service

Several lucky residential customers will receive one month of free trash service for finding their names in this newsletter!



If you find your name, call our Customer Service Department at 303-444-2037 to receive credit on your account for one month of free service. Sorry, names mentioned as part of the stories are not eligible.

Online Billing

Don't forget we offer convenient online billing and payment options. Eliminate paper invoices and have the peace of mind of automatic payments – or make instant one-time payments. Visit westerndisposal.com and click "Signup" in the box on the left.

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