



# OUR COMMUNITY Dawson Creek

JULY  
2018

**ELECTION 2018**  
**Election Nominations**  
Sept 4<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup>  
**Advanced Voting Polls**  
Oct 10<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>, 8am to 8pm  
Calvin Kruk Centre for the Arts  
**Election Day Polls**  
Oct 20<sup>th</sup>, 8am to 8pm  
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## Recycling Carts Are Coming!

This August your new curbside recycling cart will be dropped off at your home. The new recycling pick-up program starts the first week of September.

It's always been important to reduce our use of materials, reuse what we can and lastly, recycle a lot of what's left instead of throwing it out. Many residents are already diverting recyclables by using the drop-off recycling depots and bins around Dawson Creek. Now everyone will be able to recycle with curbside collection service.

So how is it going to work? It's really simple. Just toss accepted paper, cardboard, plastic and tin containers straight into your recycling cart and put your cart out with your garbage cart every other week. You must wash/rinse containers and flatten them first. It's simple, it's convenient and it will save you time collecting, sorting and taking recyclables to the depot.

Your curbside recycling cart is for paper, cardboard, tin, aluminum and recyclable plastic containers (#1-7) only. *DO NOT use it for glass, Styrofoam or soft plastic* (including plastic bags of any kind). Glass can break and become a safety hazard for workers. It also contaminates the recycling process, reducing the resale value of the paper and cardboard. Styrofoam breaks down in the collection process and becomes difficult to sort out during processing. Soft plastic, such as plastic bags or shrink-wrap, jams the processing equipment and gets tangled in the machinery. You can still take these items to a recycling drop-off location at your convenience.

DC Recycling will sort the materials to ensure there is no contamination (food waste or stains, unrinsed containers) and redirect materials to be remade for reuse.

The curbside recycling service is only available to properties currently receiving curbside garbage pickup. If you live in an apartment building, ask your building or property management company about recycling services. Strata properties and mobile home parks are unique and may be eligible. Call the City at 250-784-3600.

The cost for curbside recycling is \$6.86 per month and it will appear as an item on your utility bill.

And don't forget! The City can send you a handy text, email or even a voice mail reminder ahead of your recycling pick-up day every other week. Visit the City website ([www.dawsoncreek.ca/recycle](http://www.dawsoncreek.ca/recycle)) or download the Dawson Creek City app and sign up for reminders. It's that simple.

### REMEMBER

**NO food left in or on containers and  
NO Styrofoam, glass or soft plastic. It's that simple.**



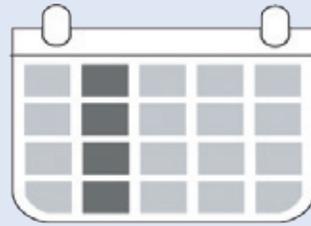
### Make Curbside Recycling even simpler:

- Download the Dawson Creek City app
- Sign up for handy Recycling-Day Reminders
- Get information and FAQs at: [www.dawsoncreek.ca/recycle](http://www.dawsoncreek.ca/recycle)

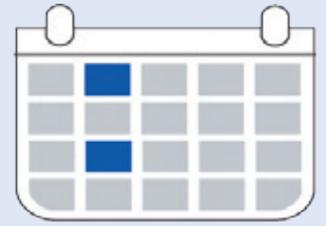
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## How does it work?

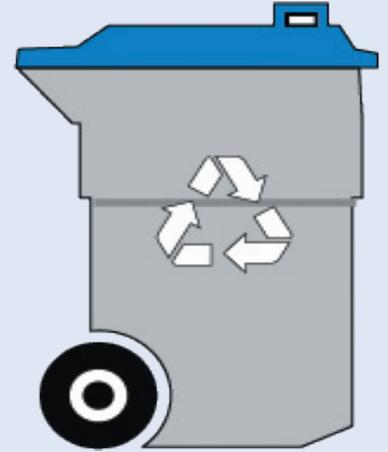
- Toss clean paper and cardboard in your recycling cart.
- Rinse and flatten plastic containers with numbers 1 to 7 on the bottom.
- Take glass, Styrofoam and soft plastics, such as bags, to your nearest recycling depot.
- Reduce the packaging you purchase as much as you can.
- Reuse as much as you can. For ideas and suggestions, see the Sustainable Dawson Creek website ([dawsoncreek.ca/sustainabledawsoncreek](http://dawsoncreek.ca/sustainabledawsoncreek)).



*Garbage is picked up every week*



*Recycling is picked up every other week*



## Ever considered running for City Council?

Do you know the characteristics of an effective elected official? What would your responsibilities be? What is Council's role? How are decisions made and how do staff fit into the picture?

These are some of the questions addressed on the provincial government website dedicated to supporting those considering to run for local office. The website includes videos and a wide range of material that will take you through an informative process beginning with the basics: why are you thinking of running, how to be an effective elected official, how do cities operate, and more. Highly recommended for anyone

considering to run for office in October this year and an excellent primer for all citizens who participate in the democratic process of managing our cities and country.

Learn more at:

[gov.bc.ca/localgov-thinking-running-local-office](http://gov.bc.ca/localgov-thinking-running-local-office)

[www.dawsoncreek.ca/election](http://www.dawsoncreek.ca/election)



The online event calendar, now includes ALL City events, Council Meetings, Public Hearings, Community Services Events and more!

<http://www.dawsoncreek.ca/events>

Email subscribe to Community Services updates, including events, programs and more!

[www.dawsoncreek.ca](http://www.dawsoncreek.ca)



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