



# THE Longmont *post* consumer

RECYCLING GUIDE



An informational Solid Waste and Recycling newsletter for Longmont residents.



## The 2012 Longmont PostConsumer

### YOUR GUIDE TO RECYCLING AND COLLECTION SCHEDULES

Please use this guide to find recycling solutions: batteries, bottles, paper, shredded paper, cardboard, bulky metals, motor oil and cooking oil. For more info: [www.ci.longmont.co.us/solidwaste](http://www.ci.longmont.co.us/solidwaste)

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## Congrats Longmont!

**You made a difference!** In 2011, city residents recycled 22,577 tons of material. Those materials included: curbside recycling collection, Waste Diversion Center collections, tree limb diversion materials, and paper shredding events. **Thank you for your tremendous effort to divert wastes from the landfill!**

- 6,433 tons** collected curbside
- 1,697 tons** collected at the Waste Diversion Center
- 14,306 tons** of tree limbs and branches
- 62 tons** of shredded material from shred events
- 36 tons** of Household Hazardous Waste
- 43 tons** of E-Waste collected at Stop-N-Drops
- 30,301 tons** of trash collected curbside

**That's 52,878 tons of materials collected, of which 22,577 tons were recycled.**

**That equals a 43% Diversion rate for Longmont.**



### Waste Diversion Center 140 Martin Street

At this location you will find the Tree Limb Drop-Off site where residents can bring tree branches and leaves during regular business hours. This service is available to residents of the City of Longmont at no additional fee. Residents outside the City of Longmont will be charged a small fee based on volume. If there is not a bin for a particular item, please take it with you. You may contact us by phone for additional information on how to recycle items not accepted at this location.

### You can drop off the following items at the Waste Diversion Center

140 Martin Street  
Recycle Drop Off: 24 hours a day/7 days per week  
For Tree Limb Diversion Hours: 303-651-8416  
or [www.ci.longmont.co.us/solidwaste](http://www.ci.longmont.co.us/solidwaste)

- Tree limbs, shrubs, bushes, and unbagged leaves (during business hours only)
- Aluminum cans and foil
- Steel cans and metal jar lids
- Glass bottles and jars
- Milk cartons and drink boxes
- Plastic bottles
- Plastic screw-top jars
- Plastic tubs and cups
- Cardboard and brown paper bags
- Paper and unopened mail
- Magazines and catalogs
- Newspaper and phone books
- Large paperboard items
- Small, low-grade paper items



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Public Works & Natural Resources  
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Longmont, CO 80501

# 2012 Trash and Recycling Collection Schedule

## Horario de colección de basura y reciclado

### January/Enero

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Jan 2: New Years Holiday (Trash and Recycling 2 Days behind, Waste Diversion Center Closed)  
 Jan 14: Shred event at 140 Martin Street, 9am – 2pm  
 Jan 16: Martin Luther King Day (Trash and Recycling 1 Day behind, City Facilities and Waste Diversion Center Closed).

### February/Febrero

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Feb 4: Landfill Drop Day, Erie Landfill, 6am – 2pm  
 Feb 11: Shred event at 140 Martin Street, 9am – 2pm  
 Feb 20: President's Day (Trash and Recycling 1 Day behind, City Facilities and Waste Diversion Center Closed).

### March/Marzo

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Mar 9: Shred event at 140 Martin Street, 9am – 2pm

### April/Abril

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April 9 – 20: Spring Branch Collection  
 April 14: Shred event at 140 Martin Street, 9am – 2pm  
 April 28: Hard to Recycle Event, 140 Martin Street, 9am – 1pm

### May/Mayo

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May 12: Landfill Drop Day, Erie Landfill, 6am – 2pm  
 May 19: Shred event at 140 Martin Street, 9am – 2pm  
 May 28: Memorial Day (Trash and Recycling 1 Day behind, City Facilities and Waste Diversion Center Closed).

### June/Junio

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June 16: Shred event at 140 Martin Street, 9am – 2pm  
 June 23: Stop-N-Drop event at 375 Airport Road, 8am – 2pm

### July/Julio

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July 4: Independence Day (Trash and Recycling 1 Day behind, City Facilities and Waste Diversion Center Closed).  
 July 14: Shred event at 140 Martin Street, 9am – 2pm

### August/Agosto

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August 11: Landfill Drop Day, Erie Landfill, 6am – 2pm  
 August 18: Shred event at 140 Martin Street, 9am – 2pm

### September/Septiembre

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Sept 3: Labor Day (Trash and Recycling 1 Day behind, City Facilities and Waste Diversion Center Closed).  
 Sept 8: Hard to Recycle Event, 140 Martin Street, 9am – 1pm  
 Sept 14: Shred event at 140 Martin Street, 9am – 2pm  
 Sept 15: Household Chemical Drop Day, 375 Airport Road, 9am – 1pm

### October/Octubre

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Oct 13: Shred event at 140 Martin Street, 9am – 2pm

### November/Noviembre

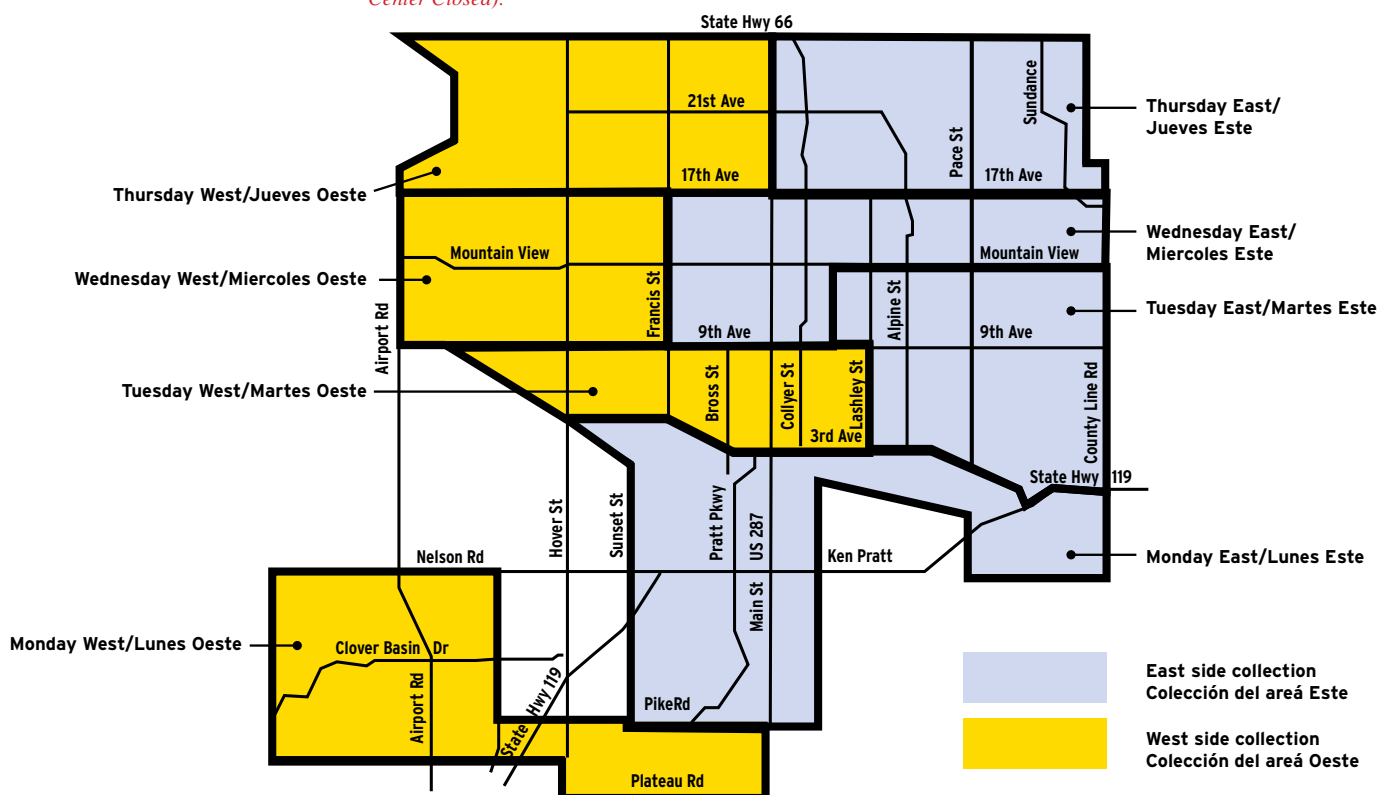
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Nov 3: Shred event at 140 Martin Street, 9am – 2pm  
 Nov 5 – Nov 30: Fall Leaf Collection  
 Nov 12: Observance of Veteran's Day (Trash and Recycling 1 Day behind, City Facilities and Waste Diversion Center Closed)  
 Nov 17: Landfill Drop Day, Erie Landfill, 6am – 2pm  
 Nov 22: Thanksgiving Day (Trash and Recycling Thursday collection 1 Day behind, City Facilities and Waste Diversion Center Closed).

### December/Diciembre

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Dec 15: Shred event at 140 Martin Street, 9am – 2pm  
 Dec 25: Christmas Day (Trash and Recycling 1 Day behind, City Facilities and Waste Diversion Center Closed).  
 Dec 26 – Jan 4: Christmas Tree Recycling



# Recycling Basics



## Recycle It Right



Please keep at least two feet between carts so the truck arm can easily grab each cart.

### When is Pickup

Trash is picked up once per week. Recycling is picked up once every other week on your trash collection day and must be out by 7 a.m.

### Holidays

Trash and recycling collection is not provided on the following nine holidays: New Year's Day, Martin Luther King Day, President's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Veteran's Day, Thanksgiving, & Christmas. If your collection day falls on the holiday, or later that same week, your collection will be one day behind for that week only.

We want to make recycling as easy as possible for you. Single stream recycling allows for all recyclable materials to go into one container (grey container). The only thing you have to do is empty and rinse! Please do not flatten aluminum cans or containers.

## Single Stream



### Single Stream Items

- Cereal boxes
- Cans (do not crush)
- White and pastel colored paper
- Phone books, newspapers, magazines
- Glass bottles and jars
- Plastic bottles, jugs and tubs
- Metal jar lids
- Corrugated cardboard

### Don't Forget:

Please DO NOT put the items below in the single-stream recycling cart

#### NO Plastic Bags

Plastic bags are the WORST contaminants in the recycling cart. They get wet and dirty and cannot be recycled. Plastic bags can be recycled at Eco-Cycle CHaRM or at participating grocery stores if they are clean, dry and empty. Find grocery store recycling locations at [www.ecocycle.org/htrg](http://www.ecocycle.org/htrg).

#### NO Shredded Paper

Shredded paper is too small to sort. The pieces get wet, gum up the sorting equipment and cause it to malfunction. Recycle shredded paper in the bin marked "Paperboard" at the Longmont Recycling Drop-off Center.

#### NO Frozen Food Boxes

Paperboard boxes that were designed for frozen foods, such as frozen pizza and entrees have a plastic polymer sprayed on them to protect against freezer burn. That same coating prevents the box from breaking up in the recycling process. These materials are not recyclable OR compostable.

## Hazardous Chemicals

### Drop-off Locations

The city offers residents two options for proper disposal of chemical and hazardous wastes. Option one is year round access to the Boulder County Hazardous Materials Management Facility. This site is open Wednesday through Saturday, all year long, for your convenience. Option two is an annual hazardous materials collection event held in Longmont at the Public Works Maintenance Facility.



### Option One

#### Year round access to the Boulder County Hazardous Materials Facility

The Boulder County Residential Hazardous Materials Management Facility is open four days a week, year round, and Longmont residents may visit the site to drop off their paints, solvents, pesticides, light bulbs and other hazardous wastes. Access to the site for Longmont residents is free, just bring your ID indicating your Longmont address for access to the site. [www.co.boulder.co.us/recycling/hhw/hhwhome.htm](http://www.co.boulder.co.us/recycling/hhw/hhwhome.htm) • Phone: 720-564-2251 • Boulder County Recycling Center, 1901 63rd St., Boulder, CO, 80301

#### Residential Household Hazardous Waste

**Drop-off Hours:** 8:30 a.m. – 4 p.m., Wednesday – Saturday. Residents may drop off waste during these times. Closed: Sunday – Tuesday.



### Option Two

#### Hazardous Chemical Drop-Off Event

**When:** Saturday, September 15, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

**Where:** Longmont Public Works Maintenance Facility, 375 Airport Road

**More information:** Phone: 303-651-8416  
[http://www.ci.longmont.co.us/solidwaste/hazardous\\_waste.htm](http://www.ci.longmont.co.us/solidwaste/hazardous_waste.htm)

**Items Accepted:** City of Longmont sanitation subscription customers only (please bring your utility bill as verification) may bring unwanted cleaners, solvents, pesticides, aerosol cans, paint, and other chemical wastes for disposal at no additional charge. Chemists will be on-site to identify and properly dispose of many types of household hazardous chemicals.

**Not Accepted:** Commercial generated wastes of any kind are not accepted. This event is for chemicals commonly used for residential purposes ONLY.

## Trash



### Non-Trash Items

Please DO NOT put these items in the trash cart

- Hazardous waste
- Liquid paint
- Cooking oil
- Loose or hot ashes
- Large bulky items that protrude out

## Your Recycling Challenge:

Visit the Waste Diversion Center at least once in 2012 and recycle something—cardboard, paper, shredded material, branches, compost, motor oil, bulky metal. That's easy enough. We will give away one "iPod Shuffle" every quarter of the year.

Just fill out the entry form and bring it with you when you drop off your recyclable material and turn it in to the attendant at the window.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
What did you bring to recycle today?  
\_\_\_\_\_

#### Contest Rules:

- \*Valid ID must be presented
- \*Must be a City of Longmont resident
- \*City employees not eligible for prizes
- \*Picture and name will be posted on our web site
- \*One entry per Household, per year

# Did You Know?

The city's Waste Diversion Center is the place in Longmont to take recyclable materials that are either not accepted in the city's curbside program or if you recycle so much that you cannot wait for your next recycling pick up.

## Your Waste Diversion Center Accepts:

- Single stream recycling materials
- Shredded paper
- Cardboard and paperboard
- Cooking and motor oils
- Vehicle and rechargeable batteries
- Tree branches and leaves
- Compostable materials
- Bulky metals

## Seasonal Material Recycling & Special Events:

- Two Hard to Recycle events (some fees apply)
- Monthly shred events (free)
- Holiday wrapping paper recycling (free)
- Holiday light recycling (free)

The recycling drop-off bins are available 24/7 for your convenience. The tree limb, compost, oils, and bulky metal drop-off are open during regular business hours, six days a week Monday through Saturday.

## Not Accepted Items at the Waste Diversion Center:

- Trash
- Styrofoam
- Packing peanuts
- Big plastic tubs, play structures, plastic toys, kiddie pools, garden hoses
- Paints, solvents, pesticides, electronics
- Contact the Call Center for resources to dispose of these items properly 303-651-8416, M-F, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

## SYRINGES & NEEDLES

Syringes and needles are not accepted in any recycling containers, neither curbside or the Waste Diversion Center. Should you have the need for disposal of these items, there are two ways to dispose of them safely and properly.

1. Trash can disposal: They must be placed in a thick plastic container such as an empty detergent container, lid on securely, taped closed and labeled: USED NEEDLES/SYRINGES!!!

2. There are some service providers that will ship and collect special containers to and from your home for a fee. Please check with your physician or search the web for these services.



## Longmont Recycling Information

[www.ci.longmont.co.us/solidwaste](http://www.ci.longmont.co.us/solidwaste)

## Longmont Waste Diversion Center

140 Martin Street

Hours: 24 hours a day/7 days a week  
303-651-8416

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## Hard to Recycle Materials Event

Two events are held annually which offer the opportunity to recycle materials that are "Hard To Recycle." Hard to recycle items are materials that are recyclable, but are not accepted in the City of Longmont's curbside recycling collection container. Those items accepted are listed below. There is a fee for certain items.

**Where:** City of Longmont Waste Diversion Center, 140 Martin Street

**When:** Two events: Saturday, April 21, 2012 (Earth Day!), 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. and Saturday, September 15, 2012, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

**Items accepted:** Computers, electronics, and cell phones are among the items accepted. There is a fee for recycling certain items.

### #6 White Block Foam Packaging

- #6 white block foam packaging and rigid foam insulation only
- Businesses: \$6 per cubic yard
- NO packing peanuts, "styrofoam" cups or "to-go" boxes, moisture or tape

### Athletic Shoes

- NO cleats, metal parts, zippers, mud, or Keds-type canvas sneakers

### Audio Equipment

- Home stereo components: \$8
- Car stereos: \$4

### Big Durable #2 Plastics

- Large plastics such as Big Wheels® and plastic play structures, plastic lawn furniture, plastic watering cans, laundry baskets, clean plastic buckets (no residue), crates, rigid backyard kiddie pools and plastic trash containers.
- Must be the size of a five-gallon bucket or larger but must also be less than 4 feet by 4 feet (can be cut to meet these dimensions).
- In some cases, these plastics may not be marked with a #2, so look for them to be opaque with a matte finish and hollow inside. They are made with a mold, so will likely have a seam where two halves were joined.
- Non-plastic parts must be removed, including straps, padding and fabric. Items requiring disassembly will be charged a \$5 fee.
- NO flower pots without a #2, inflatable pools or other inflatable plastics, water beds, chew toys, CD jewel cases, small toys such as action figures, etc.

### Bicycles and Bike Parts

#### Any Condition

- Includes integral parts such as seats, pedals, handlebars, wheels, etc. and metal accessories such as baskets and Pannier racks
- NO other accessories or sporting goods

### Bike Tires & Tubes

- \$.50 per bike tire
- Puncture-resistant or slime tubes should be kept separately
- NO automotive or other tires

### Books & Manuals

- Computer and office manuals
- Hard-bound books and paperbacks  
\*Call for quantities one pallet and larger

### Computers & Computer Equipment

- Computer monitors 19" or smaller: \$10
- Computer monitors 20" to 34": \$15
- Computer towers/CPUs: \$8
- Printers/scanners: \$8
- Laptops: \$4
- Universal Power Supply (UPS): \$8
- Keyboards, mice, cables
- Large\* misc. computer equip.: 30¢/lb.  
\*More than 40 lbs.

### Cooking Oil

- Includes canola, corn, vegetable, olive and sesame oils
- NO motor oil or any oil used for purposes other than cooking

### Copiers & Fax Machines

- Fax machines: \$8
- Desktop copiers: \$8
- Large copiers (over 40 lbs.): 30¢/lb

### Fire Extinguishers

- Boulder residents with ID: no additional charge
- Non-Boulder residents: \$4

### Phones

- Cell phones
- Office phones: \$4
- Home phones: \$2

### #2 & #4 Plastic Bags

- #2 and #4 ONLY (newspaper bags, grocery bags, dry cleaner bags, etc.)
- MUST be clean, dry, and empty of all food, receipts, etc. with tape and stickers removed
- NO sandwich bags, plastic food wrap or black bags



### Printer Cartridges

- Ink jet and laser jet printer cartridges

### Small Electronic Items

- Digital cameras: \$2
- PDAs and Gameboys: \$2
- Video game systems: \$4-\$8 (depending on size)
- Walkmans/iPods: \$2

### Toilets, Sinks and Urinals

- Toilet, porcelain only (all other materials removed): \$4
- Toilet, whole (other materials still attached): \$10
- Sink or urinal, porcelain only: \$2
- Sink or urinal, plumbing attached: \$5
- Porcelain with biohazards will NOT be accepted.

### Textiles

- Clothing, bedding, towels, fabrics
- Paired shoes (no mud)
- Items may be stained or ripped, but they must be clean. Must be 12" square or larger.
- NO underwear or socks

### TVs & VCRs/DVD Players

- TVs 19" or smaller: \$10
- Mid-size TVs 20" to 34": \$15
- Consoles and TVs larger than 34": \$30
- VCRs/DVD players: \$8
- Satellite boxes: \$8

### NEW! Yoga Mats

- Plastic foam, rubber foam and jute mats: \$1/each
- NO badly soiled or smelly mats
- NO Tatami or other grass mats

## Landfill Drop Days

The City of Longmont Sanitation services offers residents the opportunity to dispose of bulky trash items that do not fit into the city's curbside trash containers at no additional charge.

The Denver Regional Landfill in Erie, CO requires that all loads must be covered or tarped to access the site. Please bring your ID indicating you are a Longmont resident.

**When:** Four Dates: Saturday, February 4; Saturday, May 12; Saturday, August 11; and Saturday, November 17, 2012 at 6 a.m. – 2 p.m.

**Where:** 1441 Weld County Road 6, Erie, CO 80516 • Office Phone: 303-673-9431  
<http://denverregionallandfill.com>



## Shred Events

The City of Longmont Sanitation services offers customers the opportunity to securely shred confidential documents monthly at the City's Waste Diversion Center. Customers must bring a recent utility bill indicating the Waste Management Fee for access to the site. Most shred dates are scheduled for Saturday's, but we have scheduled two dates on Friday's, 3/9, 9/14, for those who cannot attend Saturday events.

**When:** 1/14, 2/11, 3/9, 4/14, 5/19, 6/16, 7/14, 8/18, 9/14, 10/13, 11/3, 12/15:  
all events are 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

**Where:** City's Waste Diversion Center, 140 Martin Street

**More information:** 303-651-8416 or <http://ci.longmont.co.us/solidwaste/index.htm>

