

Quarterly Trash & Recycling Service Updates

OCTOBER THROUGH DECEMBER 2018

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<http://www.mansfieldct.gov/trash>

TRASH & RECYCLING SERVICE CHANGES

The week of **Columbus Day, October 8** - No change in service.

The week of **Thanksgiving, November 22** - Thursday and Friday service will be one day later.

The weeks of **December 25 and January 1** - Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday service will be one day later.

REPAIR CAFÉ, OCTOBER 13, 2018

Come to the Repair Café on Saturday, October 13, 2018, from 10 am to 2 pm at the First Congregational Church's Arnold Auditorium, 199 Valley Street, Willimantic. Skilled volunteers will be on hand to repair and teach repair skills FREE to people bringing in bicycles, electronics, electrical and mechanical items, clothing and small wooden furniture that need to be fixed. Knife sharpening will not be available.

HAZARDOUS WASTE FACILITY OPEN 3 MORE SATURDAYS IN 2018

The Regional Chemical Waste Drop-Off Facility, located at 57 Hancock Road in Willington, will be open on Saturdays October 6 & 20, and November 3, 2018 from 9 am to 2 pm for residential hazardous waste disposal. Small businesses may use the facility by contacting 860-684-3163 to arrange an appointment. For more information call 860-429-3333, or go to www.mansfieldct.gov/trash.

COMPOST FOOD SCRAPS AT THE TRANSFER STATION

Residents are invited to bring their separated food scraps to the transfer station for composting. When you arrive at the transfer station, you will be directed to the leaf pile where you will empty the scraps into the pile. Examples of what is accepted: Bread/bagels, Cake, Cereal, Coffee grounds, Cookies, Egg shells, Flower bouquets, Fruit including pits & seeds, Nuts including shells, Pasta, Pizza, Salads, Sandwiches, Soup, Table scraps, Tea bags, Vegetables.

EXTRA HOUSEHOLD GARBAGE

From December 26 through 31, 2018 you may put out extra household garbage on your collection day. Extra garbage does not include bulky items, which should be taken to the transfer station.

GIFT WRAP RECYCLING

Wrapping paper, tissue paper and gift boxes can be recycled. *Gift wrap that is metallic or plastic is not recyclable and belongs in the trash.*

STRING OF LIGHTS RECYCLING

Recycle your string of lights that no longer work by bringing them to the Mansfield transfer station. They will be recycled with other wire products. *Please do not place them in the blue recycle container.*

PROPOSED BRING YOUR OWN BAG ORDINANCE

Town Council is reviewing a draft Bring Your Own Bag ordinance, which was brought to them by the Mansfield Solid Waste Advisory Committee. The intent of the ordinance is to help shift consumer behavior away from single use checkout bags to reusable bags. As drafted, the ordinance bans plastic checkout bags. After review, the Town Council will schedule a public hearing. To learn more, visit www.mansfieldct.gov/reusable-bags.

FREE REUSABLE BAGS AVAILABLE

Free reusable bags are available through the Human Services food pantry and in a bag share container located in the Senior Center dining room.

WWW.TINYTRASH.COM

Visit www.tinytrash.com for tips and encouragement on ways to reduce waste.

SHARE YOUR TREASURES

Do you own perfectly good items that you no longer want but hate to toss out? Fortunately there are a number of ways to find the right home for your treasures locally.

The **Swap Shop**, located at the Mansfield Transfer Station, is a place to donate (or find) small household items that are clean and in good working condition. You can visit the swap shop on Tuesdays 8:30-4, Thursdays 12-4 & Saturdays 8:30-4. Visit www.mansfieldct.gov/trash or call 860-429-3333 for more info.

Windham Area Interfaith Ministry (WAIM) accepts household items of all sizes, as long as they are intact and in good condition. They are located at 866 Main St, Willimantic. You can arrange a pick-up for large furniture by calling 860-456-7270.

Storrs—Mansfield Area Tag Sale (Connecticut)

A Facebook group where you can sell new or used items.

Buy Nothing Mansfield, CT

To join this Facebook group, contact local volunteer Kara Fontaine via Facebook private message to verify that you live within the boundaries designated for this Buy Nothing community group. Learn more about the Buy Nothing Project at <http://buynothingproject.org/>

Storrs Freecycle is part of a worldwide online network that organizes recycling of goods among its users. If you have items that you no longer need or leftovers from a project, you can post it on Freecycle. If you are looking for an item, you might find it through Freecycle. All exchanges are free of charge. <https://groups.freecycle.org/StorrsCT>