Dear Neighbor,

I am pleased to provide you with the City of Rahway’s 2019 recycling schedule. This guide highlights the collection dates for your location as well as garbage and recycling information that will be useful throughout the year.

This past year, the City and its residents took numerous steps to continue our efforts to keep Rahway green. Thanks to the generosity of TD Bank and the New Jersey Tree Foundation, our parks saw the planting of 40 new trees. The Rahway River received much-needed attention through cleanups organized by the Rahway River Watershed Association and the New Jersey Stream Team, and Milton Lake benefited from grassroots cleanup efforts organized by local residents.

One of the ways that every resident can contribute to keeping Rahway green is recycling. The positive impacts of recycling include reduction of pollution, conservation of materials, and savings for our residents. The disposal of solid waste costs our city more than processing recyclables. Every ton of recyclable items removed from the waste stream saves approximately $75 in disposal costs. The more we collect and recycle, the more we save.

Rahway recently launched the Recycle Coach app, a tool to help support recycling by providing timely and useful information. I encourage every resident to download and utilize this free tool. You can read more about Recycle Coach in this newsletter.

As 2019 begins, every resident is encouraged to help keep our city green by using the principles of Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle. Together as a community, we can make a difference.

Sincerely,

Mayor Raymond A. Giacobbe
From the office of Mayor Raymond A. Giacobbe

2019 RESIDENTIAL GARBAGE RECYCLING PROGRAM

**Recycling Dates**

- January 9 & 23
- February 6 & 20
- March 6 & 20
- April 3 & 17
- May 1, 15 & 29
- June 12 & 26
- July 10 & 24
- August 7 & 21
- September 4 & 18
- October 2, 16 & 30
- November 13 & 27
- December 11 & 28*

* Special Saturday Collection

The materials collected in this program, and preparation guidelines are:

1. **All Paper Products:** newspapers, cardboard, magazines, junk mail, books, computer paper, glossy paper, food boxes, etc. These items can be placed in paper bags, cardboard boxes or tied and bundled with string only. Please make sure that all material is free from nonpaper items such as plastic, tape or garbage.

2. **Beverage/Food Containers:** glass bottles and jars, aluminum cans, tin, steel, bi-metal cans, plastic squeeze bottles, plastic containers holding food, aerosol cans, motor oil and antifreeze containers, milk cartons, soup cartons and juice boxes, aluminum foil and metal clothes hangers, plastic bottles and jugs*. All of these materials should be rinsed, caps removed and COMMINGLED (mixed) in any sturdy reusable container. Do not include window glass, drinking glasses, mirrors, crystal, Pyrex and/or plastic bags.

3. **Batteries:** Rechargeable, lantern and button cell only in a clear plastic bag on top of your newspapers/mixed paper.

**SAFETY ALERT!** Items such as chemicals, paints and pesticides MUST be disposed of properly! Please follow guidelines on back for disposal.

**Missed Collection?**

Call the Recycling Hotline:

732-827-2159

**Important Note:**

Only materials listed and prepared as required will be collected in this program. If garbage or refuse is mixed with recycling materials they will not be collected.

**Public Records Act:**

Records exist in the office of the Rahway Mayor, 555 Main Street, Rahway, NJ 07065."
**SCHEDULE 2019 IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

**HOUSEHOLD ELECTRONICS:** TVs, monitors, computers, keyboards, VCRs, CDs, DVDs, VHS tapes & desktop fax machines. **Collected by appointment, please call 732-827-2159**

**LATEX PAINT:** MUST BE completely solidified before being placed curbside, with the lids off, for your **2nd garbage collection day of the week.** Paint will leak from truck if not dried thoroughly.

**BULKY WASTE MATERIALS:** All bulky waste materials such as RR ties (less than 4 ft.), lumber, sheetrock, carpeting, etc. must be tied and bundled or placed in containers less than 50 lbs. **All bulky materials must be placed to the curb the night before the THURSDAY OR FRIDAY collection.**

**YARD WASTE COLLECTION:** **BEGINS ON APRIL 1 AND ENDS ON NOVEMBER 5, 2019.** All yard waste must be placed in reusable containers (32 gallon size or less) or in bio-degradable paper bags and weigh less than 50 pounds. **NO YARD WASTE WILL BE COLLECTED IN PLASTIC BAGS. BRANCHES MUST BE TIED AND BUNDLED IN FOUR FOOT LENGTHS. YARD WASTE MATERIAL WILL BE COLLECTED ON THE 1ST COLLECTION DAY OF THE WEEK ONLY.**

**LEAF COLLECTION:** **BEGINS NOVEMBER 1 AND ENDS ON DECEMBER 31, 2019.** Leaves placed in paper bags will be collected while crews are in your area or call 732-827-2061 to schedule a pickup. Leaf Collection Hotline: 732-827-2063 for approximate collection dates. Branches should be kept separate from leaf piles.

**SOLID WASTE COLLECTIONS:** All containers that are used for solid waste collections must be less than **32 gallons** in capacity, have solid handles, detachable lids or drainage holes and must be in good condition. Material placed in improper containers will not be collected.

**WHITE GOODS AND SCRAP METALS:** WILL BE COLLECTED BY APPOINTMENT. Please call 732-827-2159 to arrange for removal.

**CHRISTMAS TREES:** WILL BE COLLECTED FROM JANUARY 2 THROUGH JANUARY 31, 2019. All trees must be free of decorations and placed at the curb. In plastic bags will NOT be collected. If you feel your tree was missed, please call 732-827-2060.

**USED MOTOR OIL:** CANNOT BE PLACED OUT WITH REGULAR GARBAGE—but will be accepted at the Main St. Fire House on Saturdays from 8:30 to 4:30.

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**GARBAGE/BULKY WASTE/YARD WASTE RECYCLING COLLECTION HOLIDAYS 2019**

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**For further information call the Division of Solid Waste & Recycling 732-827-2159**

Visit us online at [www.cityofrahway.com](http://www.cityofrahway.com)

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**RECYCLE COACH APP LAUNCHED!**

Residents looking to become better recyclers need look no further than the free Recycle Coach app – now available in Rahway. Recycle Coach provides recycling information in a clear and concise manner to improve recycling rates as well as engage residents to learn about Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle principles.

With Recycle Coach, residents can:
- Stay organized with custom curbside collection and events calendars
- Receive collection reminders and real-time updates on service disruptions
- Access the comprehensive “What Goes Where?” search tool
- Report issues like missed collections

For more information and to download the Recycle Coach app, please visit [https://solutions.recyclecoach.com](https://solutions.recyclecoach.com) or search for Recycle Coach in the Apple or Google app stores.