It's time for Mankato's annual

Spring Clean-up

Saturdays
May 3, 10, 17, 24
7 a.m. to noon
221 Lamm Street

Photo by Dale Looft, Montgomery, MN

City of Mankato
Leading the way...

Mankato residents may dispose of unwanted items during Spring Clean-up, a value-added benefit of Mankato's garbage and recycling service. Electronics, such as televisions and computers, will be accepted.

Items not accepted:

- *concrete*
- *asphalt*
- *tires*
- *appliances*
- *recyclable materials*
- *hazardous waste*

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For more information, contact staff at 311 or 507-387-8600 or 311@city.mankato.mn.us.

Appliance recycling

Curbside service during Spring Clean-up

During Spring Clean-up, appliance recycling is a curbside service. It's easy to schedule an appliance pick-up—simply call 311 or 507-387-8600. Cost is $15 per appliance.

Year-round service

Appliance recycling is also provided year-round. City of Mankato residents may bring up to five household appliances per household to Green Tech, 205 West Spring Street, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. Cost is $7 per appliance. Payments are made directly to Green Tech (driver's license, identification card or utility bill with Mankato address is required).

Also year-round, Green Tech will accept up to 300 pounds of household electronics (computers and televisions) per year at no additional cost.

For more information, call 311 or 507-387-8600.

Compost disposal

Non-commercial Mankato residents can bring compostable material to the Southern Minnesota Construction compost site, 3600 Third Avenue, at no cost. An identification card or Mankato utility bill is required.

Please do not dump grass clippings, leaves or other items into or along ravine areas. This can saturate and kill vegetation, which contributes to ravine destabilization.

More information is available by calling 507-388-3122.

Compost bins

Get ready for spring and help benefit the environment by using compost bins, which can be ordered online at recycleminnesota.org.

Compost bins are an inexpensive way to create nutrient rich fertilizer to use in gardens or landscaping. Benefits:

- enriches soil by increasing nutrient content
- helps decrease pollution and reduce garbage by keeping organic materials out of landfills
- helps retain moisture in soil, reducing amount of water needed for lawns, gardens and trees

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Hazardous waste disposal

Hazardous waste is accepted at the Blue Earth County Household Hazardous Waste Facility, 651 Summit Avenue. Household hazardous waste (paints, solvents, pesticides, gasoline, propane, fertilizers, oil and oil filters) will be accepted at no charge. Dispose of unused chemicals because accumulated products can create health and safety risks.

Items not accepted: business, institutional, commercial, medical, radioactive and explosive wastes.

Although medical waste is not accepted, unwanted prescription and non-prescription medications can be brought to drop boxes at the city of Mankato's Public Safety Center, 710 South Front Street, or the Blue Earth County Justice Center, 401 Carver Road.

The Household Hazardous Waste Facility is open Tuesdays from noon to 6 p.m. and the second Saturday of the month from 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

For more information, call 507-304-4242 (24-hours) or at blueearthcountymn.gov/index.aspx?nid=373.