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Weekly curbside recycling is coming to the City of El Mirage!

As we continue our efforts to help protect the environment, the City of El Mirage and Parks & Sons are proud to announce the new commingled, curbside recycling program, all at no additional cost to you! **This new program goes into effect September 1, 2011.**

WHAT IS CHANGING?

- In addition to your green 96-gallon barrel used for refuse, a 96-gallon blue barrel will be delivered for commingled recyclables. The blue recycling barrels will be delivered between August 1st and August 31st. **Do not set the blue barrel out for collection until the night before the first recycling day, September 1st, as it will not be serviced until then.**
- The blue recycling barrel will be used for papers, plastics, glass, aluminum/steel/tin cans, and boxes. This is a single-stream recycling program, meaning that all recyclable items are placed in the blue barrel together – *there is no need to sort or separate them before placing in the blue barrel.*
- Items that cannot be recycled in the blue barrel must be placed in the trash barrel(s) you currently have.
- Collection days will remain the same; however, trash will be collected on Mondays only, and recycling will now be collected every week on Thursday.** You will need to set your trash barrel out for Monday collection, and the blue recycling barrel out for Thursday collection. All trash and recycling must be contained in your trash or recycling barrel and not on the ground. Items not placed in your City of El Mirage barrels will NOT be collected.

The first recycling collection in your blue barrel will be on Thursday, September 1, 2011.

WHAT WILL REMAIN THE SAME?

- Just as before, have your barrels out at the curb the previous night or by 5:30 am the day of collection (trash barrel on Monday, blue recycle barrel on Thursday).
- You will continue receiving service twice each week, **but now Monday is devoted to trash and Thursday to recycling.**
- Continue to bag and tie all trash before placing in the green barrel.** Bagging refuse is especially important now that the trash barrel will be serviced weekly. Abiding by this Maricopa County requirement will help reduce odors and prevent fly breeding. **However, do NOT bag recyclables in the blue barrel).**
- You will continue receiving the high-quality service from Parks & Sons at the same low rate!

We are excited about the new program and we are happy to be working with you in protecting our environment. Please use the recyclables guide to assist you in identifying and preparing your recyclables. By participating in this program, you will help decrease the volume of material taken to the landfill, ultimately reducing the negative impact on the environment and natural resources. We are committed to the success of this recycling program and the satisfaction of our customers. Additional information is available online at www.parksandsons.com/elmirage.html.

COLLECTION SCHEDULE

Please review the updated collection schedule reflecting the new trash and recycling days, which will go into effect Thursday, September 1, 2011. **Trash will be collected on Mondays, and recycling (blue barrel) will be collected on Thursdays.**

August 2011

Su	M	T	W	Th	F	Sa
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

TRASH

RECYCLE

September 2011

Su	M	T	W	Th	F	Sa
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	

TRASH

HOLIDAY

RECYCLE

Please note that both trash and recycling collections will be delayed one day due to the Labor Day holiday.

October 2011

Su	M	T	W	Th	F	Sa
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9	10	11	12	13	14	15
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30	31					

TRASH

RECYCLE