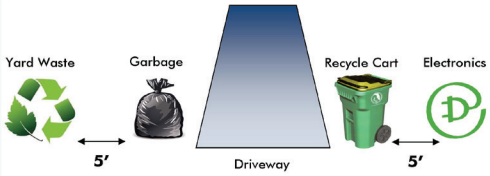
Important Information About Your

Recycling Cart



Place recyclables curbside by 6 a.m. on your scheduled pickup day. Leave 5' of clearance around your recycling cart and other curbside services.

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WASTE MANAGEMENT®

Waste Management is proud to work with the City of Punta Gorda to provide the most comprehensive recycling services. With this program, we offer recycling carts that provide you more privacy and litter control, while allowing you to safely recycle more and protect our natural resources.

The City of Punta Gorda provides residents with waste, yard waste, and white goods collection services.

Waste Management reminds you to:

- Recycle clean bottles, cans, paper, and cardboard.
- Keep food and liquid out of your recycling.
- Do not bag your recyclables and do not place loose plastic bags in your cart.
- Place carts curbside with the opening towards the street, leaving 5 feet of clearance from your mailbox and other curbside services.

Recycle all empty plastic bottles, cans, paper and cardboard.

Keep food and liquid out of your recycling.

Empty recyclables directly into your cart.
NO bagged recyclables.
Return plastic bags to a local grocer.

Let's see the benefits!

- Recycling carts with lids offer more privacy and better litter control.
- You can recycle more single-stream materials, which will reduce waste in our landfill and protect our natural resources.
- It is easier and safer for you to roll your cart down your driveway rather than carrying a heavy bin full of bottles and cans.

Questions and Customer Service:

(941)575-5050

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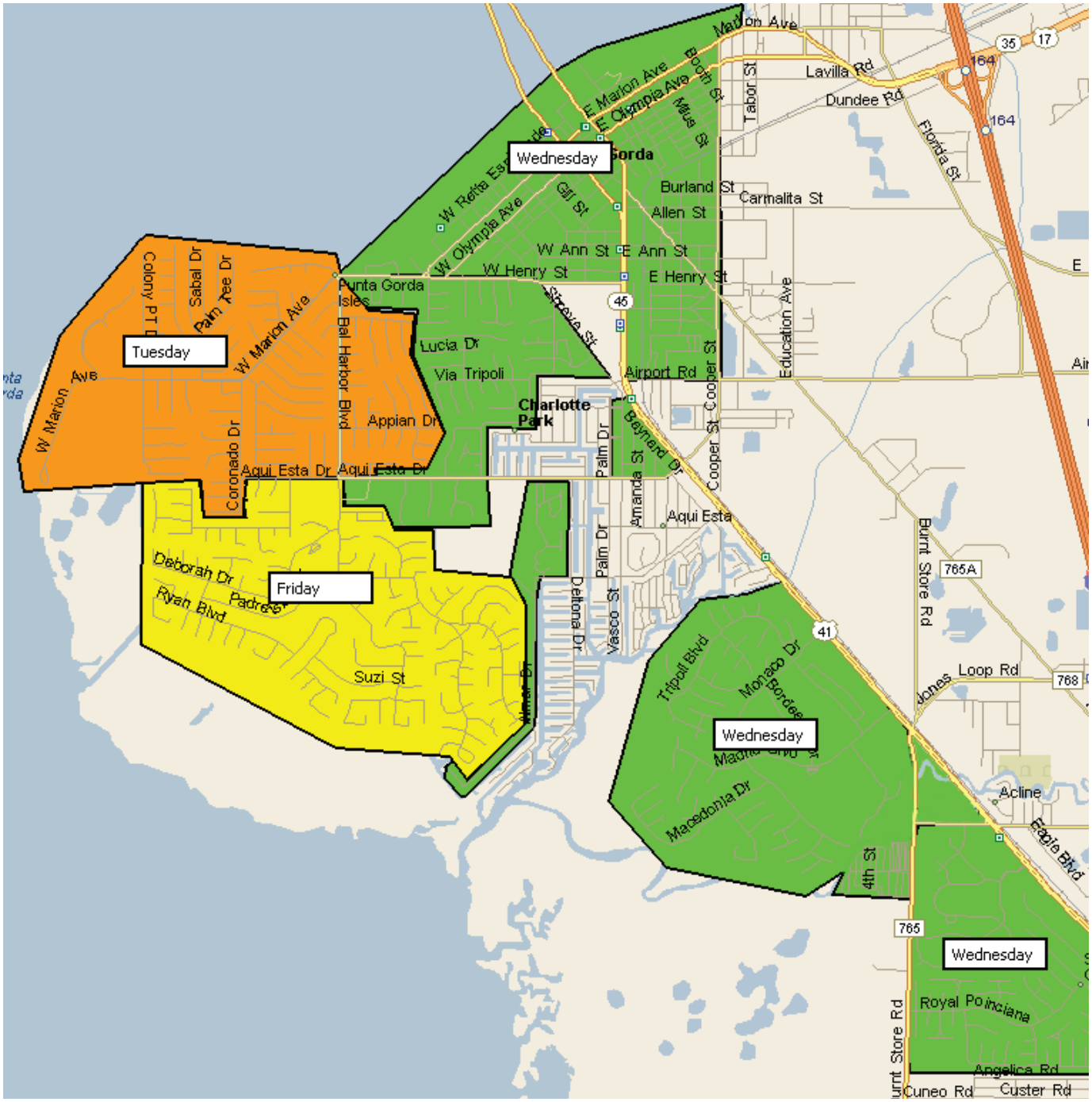
RECYCLING COLLECTION MAP:

City of Punta Gorda residents will receive service once per week based on the following zones. Residents living in the orange zone will have recycling collected on Tuesdays, in the green zones will have recycling collected on Wednesdays, and in the yellow zone on Friday.



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SINGLE-STREAM RECYCLING CART:

Your recycling cart is designed to help you recycle more of what you are already recycling:

- Clean Paper, Cardboard, Junk Mail, Newspapers, Phone Books & Magazines
- Aluminum, Tin & Steel Cans
- Plastic Bottles & Containers marked with #1-7
- Glass Bottles & Jars (caps and lids removed)
- Dairy & Juice Cartons (rinse containers)

DO NOT INCLUDE:

- Plastic Bags
- All Batteries
- Aerosol Cans
- Paint Cans
- Propane/Pressurized Tanks
- Hypodermic Needles/Syringes
- Polystyrene *(Foam Products)*
- *No Household Hazardous Waste*
- Yard Clippings
- Electronic Waste
- Garden Hoses
- Food Contaminated or Bagged Recyclables

SPECIAL RECYCLING:

DO NOT place these materials in your recycling containers.
Please place them curbside - 5 feet away from your recycling carts.

Electronic Device Recycling Services: Residents will be allowed to place discarded electronics curbside for collection and proper disposal. These include, but are not limited to: computers, monitors, printers, TVs, VCRs, DVD players. They will be collected on the same day as recycling collection, but through a separate non-compaction truck from recycling. An exception tag will be utilized to notify the resident, if item cannot be picked up on the same day.

Tires: Passenger car and street size pickup truck tires (up to 25 inches in diameter) may be collected on your recycling day. You are allowed up to six (6) tires per year. Place the tires, with or without rims, at the curb on the recycling day. You do not have to schedule for this service.

Waste Oil: Residents can place waste oil at the curb, as long as it is stored in a fully enclosed container. Use a self-contained receptacle with a screw on lid for your used motor oil. Waste Management's trucks will be equipped with a special compartment to transport waste oil containers. The orange color stickers are no longer necessary.

Batteries: Non-leaking vehicle lead-acid batteries.

Never place these items in your carts

Syringes & Hypodermic Needles

There are three locations for Charlotte County residents to pick up and drop off sharps containers.

How to use your Sharps Container:

- Do not clip the needle.
- Do not recap the needle.
- Place hypodermic needle in the red sharps container.
- When filled, secure the lid. Do not overfill.
- Take the full sharps container to one of the facilities listed below and you will be given a free replacement container.

Punta Gorda Public Safety Building
1410 Tamiami Trail, Punta Gorda
Monday-Friday: 8:00am-4:30pm

Mid County Mini Transfer Recycling Facility
19675 Kenilworth Boulevard, Port Charlotte
Tuesday-Saturday: 9:00am-4:00pm

West Charlotte Mini Transfer Facility
7070 Environmental Way, Englewood
Tuesday-Saturday: 9:00am-4:00pm

Protect our residents!

Never place used hypodermic needles or sharps containers in your waste or recycling carts.

Household Hazardous Waste

How do You Know if a Product is Hazardous?
A product is considered hazardous if it is corrosive, toxic, flammable, or reacts or explodes when mixed with other substances. Watch out for signal words on labels such as poison, danger, warning, and caution.

How do You Dispose of Household Hazardous Waste?
Punta Gorda residents may place certain Household Hazardous Waste items curbside for collection. See "Special Recycling" section inside this brochure. Additionally, residents may dispose of items year-round at one of the following Recycling Centers:

Mid County Mini Transfer Recycling Facility
19675 Kenilworth Boulevard, Port Charlotte
Tuesday-Saturday: 9:00am-4:00pm

West Charlotte Mini Transfer Facility
7070 Environmental Way, Englewood
Tuesday-Saturday: 9:00am-4:00pm

For more information about proper disposal of your Household Hazardous Waste, visit **www.CityofPuntaGordaFL.com**.