

Reducing Litter

Be a good neighbor and follow these helpful tips to reduce litter around your home!

1 Know the rules of garbage collection. Following Louisville Metro's solid waste collection guidelines will help prevent neighborhood litter.

- **Be aware of your weekly collection schedule.** Download the FREE Recycle Coach app for disposal information, alerts and automatic reminders!
- **All trash should be placed in receptacles.** Loose or bagged trash outside of the carts contribute to the litter problem.
- **Follow the large item collection guidelines.** Information can be found on the Recycle Coach app or at Louisvilleky.gov/BulkyWaste. *Changes for the pilot area coming soon!*



2 Use and maintain proper waste receptacles. The city provides residents with garbage carts and recycling bins.



- **Take care of your garbage carts and recycling bins.** Don't overfill them and always remove them from the alley/street after collection. Leaving your cart out increases the chances of it getting struck by a vehicle and broken or stolen. Broken carts leave your trash exposed to animals that rummage through it, leaving litter all around. Request cart repairs through MetroCall 311 or 574-5000.
- **Request recycling carts or additional garbage carts.** Before requesting an additional garbage cart, first consider recycling. Request garbage and recycling containers through MetroCall 311 or 574-5000.
- **Do not use public litter baskets for household trash.** Household trash will cause the litter basket to fill up too quickly. Overflowing litter baskets add to the litter of the neighborhood.

3 Pick up litter around your home. Research shows that people are more likely to litter in areas that are already littered. By simply picking up litter around your home, less litter will accumulate.

- **Organize a neighborhood clean-up.** Receive free supplies when you register your cleanup at Louisvilleky.gov/government/brightside.
- **Talk to your family about litter.** Teach family members to throw garbage in proper receptacles. Pick up litter together.



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