



# MILLERSVILLE BOROUGH

## 2026 Trash & Recycling Newsletter

### TOTER SERVICE CONTINUES FOR TRASH AND RECYCLING

The Borough's hauler, Penn Waste, collects trash and recycling using TOTER SERVICE with an automated truck. **The use of toters is required by all residents.** Personal trash cans and recycling bins cannot be used. Penn Waste has supplied each residential unit, who is part of our program, with a 96-gallon toter for trash (trash must be bagged in the toter) and a 64-gallon toter for recycling (do not bag your recycling items). **ALL bags must be placed in the toter in order for the hauler to pick them up. Loose bags of trash will no longer be collected unless they are affixed with a YELLOW EXTRA SERVICE TAG (sold in a sheet of 5 for \$10.00).**

**TOTER INFORMATION:** All toters should be placed behind the curb or street line. There should be nothing placed in the roadway that would impede or delay the removal of snow or ice from the road. The garbage truck arm has the capability to reach past the curb in order to pick up your toter. You may put your address on your toters.

**Here are some tips to ensure a smooth collection process:** Set the toter(s) out for collection the evening before pickup day. Place toter with the lid handle and wheels pointing toward your residence. Do not place the toter in the roadway. Do not block walkways with toters. Place toters at least THREE FEET APART from each other and mailboxes, fire hydrants, low hanging trees or shrubs, parked cars, or utility poles, so the truck can easily access the toter. There is no change in the collection of oversized items, extra bags of trash (that do not fit in your toter), yard waste, leaves and appliance/tires collection. **Personal trash cans and recycling bins cannot be used.**

If you have any special requests about your Penn Waste toter(s) or if it is damaged or missing, please contact Penn Waste Residential Customer Service at (717) 767-4456 option 3. **Residents who are interested in obtaining a smaller toter may choose to exchange ONLY their 96-gallon toter for a smaller 35-gallon toter by calling Penn Waste.**

## General Information

Penn Waste is the contracted residential hauler for Millersville Borough. The hauler collects trash and recycling items each Monday between the hours of 5:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., except for Holidays and Special Collections when they can begin at 2:00 a.m. to aid in collections. Toters should be put out on Sunday evening for Monday collection. Do not place toters out before noon the day before collection and remove toters no later than noon the day after collection. **The trash/recycling service fee is \$97.00 per quarter (\$388.00 annually).** If you have any specific questions regarding trash or recycling collection, please visit our website at: [www.millersvilleborough.org](http://www.millersvilleborough.org) or call the Borough Office at (717) 872-4645 ext.100.

#### PLEASE NOTE:

**Missed trash/recycling must be reported to the Borough office by noon of the following day so arrangements can be made to get the misses collected as soon as possible.**

## Trash

Each residential unit is allowed one 96-gallon toter (supplied by Penn Waste) per week under the basic fee. The toter is the property of Penn Waste. If you move, leave the toter for the next resident. **ALL TRASH MUST BE IN BAGS AND PLACED INSIDE THE TOTER.** Each trash bag that does not fit in the toter must have a YELLOW EXTRA SERVICE TAG (sold in a sheet of 5 for \$10.00). Littering of streets and properties can be a problem; it can be caused by rainstorms, wind, birds and critters (including dogs and cats). Residents can help by not overfilling their trash and recycling toters.

#### NON-ACCEPTABLE MATERIALS IN CURBSIDE COLLECTION – DO NOT PUT THESE ITEMS IN YOUR TRASH:

Electronic devices, chemicals, stains, liquids, automobile parts, hazardous waste, commercial/industrial waste, construction materials (drywall, brick, block, lumber, shingles, tiles, concrete). Large home appliances and tires will only be collected during the two scheduled Appliance/Tire Collections. See page three of this newsletter for dates and additional information.

# RECYCLING TOTER SERVICE...RECYCLE RIGHT, ONLY RECYCLE THE BIG 4



Penn Waste collects recycling using toter service. Each residential unit will have a 64-gallon toter to use for their recycling items. **DO NOT USE BAGS INSIDE YOUR RECYCLING TOTER (Plastic bags are not a curbside recycling item).**

**CORRUGATED CARDBOARD:** Includes any size material consisting of a fluted corrugated sheet, like shipping and packing boxes. Remove all packaging and **flatten all cardboard and put in your recycling toter.** Cut cardboard to fit into the recycling toter. Cardboard placed outside the toter will not be collected. Only recycle items listed as the **BIG 4.**

**PLASTIC BOTTLES & JUGS WITH NECKS:** Throw away the lids and rinse out any residue. All other plastic material is considered trash. No need to remove labels. Only recycle items listed as the **BIG 4.**

**METAL FOOD & BEVERAGE CANS:** Includes cans made from aluminum or steel. Throw away the lids and rinse out any residue. No need to remove labels. Only recycle items listed as the **BIG 4.**

**GLASS JARS & BOTTLES:** Includes clear, green, and brown glass bottles and jars. Throw away the lids and rinse out any residue. No need to remove labels or neck rings. Only recycle items listed as the **BIG 4.**

**Do not recycle any other materials other than the BIG 4 shown above:** NO plastic bags, pots, wire hangers, foil, cutlery, Styrofoam, pizza boxes, deli containers, paperboard (cereal boxes, shoe boxes, paper towel/toilet paper rolls, or tissue boxes), plastic cups, egg cartons, light bulbs, dishes, glassware, window or automotive glass, vases, newsprint or junk mail in the curbside recycle toter. Recycling has changed. Ignore the numbers on the bottom of plastic containers, as they do not indicate if an item is recyclable in Lancaster County.

**Before you put recycling in your toter, remove lids, empty containers, and rinse out residue.**

**CHECK THE WEATHER:** If the weather calls for high winds or rain, please consider keeping your recycling inside until the following week. Wet cardboard products are more difficult to process.

**WHEN IN DOUBT, THROW IT OUT.**

**LANCASTER COUNTY HAS AN ADVANCED WASTE-TO-ENERGY PROCESS. YOUR TRASH DOES NOT GO TO THE LANDFILL, IT IS TURNED INTO ELECTRICITY. YOU ARE STILL RECYCLING, JUST IN A DIFFERENT WAY.**

## **Woody/Yard Waste (WYW)**

Collection Period: **MONDAY, APRIL 6, 2026, THROUGH MONDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2026.**

WYW includes branches and prunings from trees and shrubbery, acorns, pinecones, and nut burrs. Branches, limbs, and other prunings less than 6 inches in diameter and no more than 4 feet in length can be bundled with biodegradable string and placed curbside for collection during the WYW collection period with a GREEN TAG affixed (sold in a sheet of 5 for \$10.00). **Put the green tag on the front of each brown biodegradable bag/bundle so it can be seen from the street.** The biodegradable brown bags are available to Borough residential trash and recycling residents and are located in the Police Carport at the rear of the Borough Office. Please limit the number of bags you pick up at the Police Carport to 20 bags per visit. WYW biodegradable bags and bundles should not exceed 30 lbs. in weight. Do not staple or tape bags. During the collection period, WYW is prohibited from being treated as a trash item. If found untagged, it will not be collected by the hauler. Bundled (tagged) WYW will only be collected during the WYW collection period.



**If you have a bag of WYW to dispose of AFTER the collection period has ended, treat it as a regular trash item.** Put it in a trash bag and put the bag in your toter. The biodegradable bags should not be used after the WYW collection period has ended. Any trash bags of WYW that do not fit in your toter must be tagged with a YELLOW SERVICE TAG (sold in a sheet of 5 for \$10.00).

## **LEAF COLLECTION PERIOD—LEAVES ONLY—NO YARD WASTE IN WITH THE LEAVES.**

All scheduled curbside leaf pickups are FREE of charge for residential customers only and do not require extra service tags. The biodegradable brown bags are available to Borough trash and recycling residents and are located in the Police Carport at the rear of the Borough Office. Please limit the number of bags you pick up at the carport to 20 bags per visit. The leaf collection is for **LEAVES ONLY** in the biodegradable bags. **DO NOT PUT YARD WASTE IN WITH YOUR LEAVES.** Pine needles are accepted with leaf collection. **Please do not put trash, sticks, or yard waste in with your leaves. The hauler will not take the brown bags that have yard waste or trash mixed in during the leaf collection period.** If you have a bag of leaves to dispose of AFTER the leaf collection period has ended, treat it as a trash item and put it in a trash bag and put it in your toter. The biodegradable bags should not be used after the leaf collection has ended. Any trash bags of leaves that do not fit in your toter must be tagged with a YELLOW SERVICE TAG (sold in a sheet of 5 for \$10.00).

### **PICKUP DATES:**

**Monday, November 2, 2026 Monday, November 16, 2026 Monday, November 30, 2026 Monday, December 14, 2026**

Please **DO NOT** tape or staple bags.

## **Holiday Tree/Live Greens:**

FREE holiday tree and/or bundled live greens collection will be ONE DAY ONLY on Saturday, January 10, 2026. Put item(s) out Friday (no earlier than noon) where you usually put your trash. Please make sure trees are free of all ornaments, lights, tinsel, plastic bags, and covers. No artificial items will be taken. This collection is for residential properties which are part of our trash/recycling program. If you miss the free day, a \$6.00 RED OVERSIZE REFUSE TAG will be required and may be put out on the regular collection day.

## Large Appliance and Tire Collection



When large appliances (white goods) are thrown out, many of them require special disposal because some items contain a large amount of metal and may also contain refrigerant. Appliances that contain refrigerants include refrigerators and freezers (with doors removed), air conditioners, water coolers, dehumidifiers, and water heaters. **Each appliance must be scheduled for pickup and tagged with a \$15.00 BLUE APPLIANCE TAG purchased from the Borough Office before noon the Friday prior to the pickup date.** Place large appliances curbside Sunday (no earlier than noon) as the hauler may begin pickup as early as 2:00 a.m. on Monday. If you purchased a Blue Appliance Tag and did not use it for a previous collection, please notify the Borough Office so your item and address can be placed on the list for the next collection date.

A \$6.00 RED TAG must be used for each tire. A tire on a rim requires two red tags. Tire tags must be purchased and the Borough Office notified before noon the Friday prior to the pickup date. Place tires curbside Sunday (no earlier than noon) as the hauler may begin pickup as early as 2:00 a.m. on Monday morning. If you purchased a Red Tag and did not use it for a previous collection, please notify the Borough Office so your item and address can be placed on the list for the next collection date.



### APPLIANCE & TIRE COLLECTION DATES:

**Monday, April 13, 2026**  
**Monday, October 19, 2026**

## Oversize Refuse Items

Oversize items will be picked up curbside weekly during regular trash collection. No more than 2 items per week will be picked up per residence and each item must be tagged with a \$6.00 RED OVERSIZE REFUSE TAG. Please put the red tag on the front of the item so it can be seen from the street. Types of items: chairs, couches, tables, 4ft. rolled & tied carpet, microwaves, mattresses, box springs, doors, windows/mirrors (glass must be wrapped in cardboard and secured with tape), rain spouting bundled and tied in 4ft. lengths, toilets, fiberglass bathtubs only (no cast iron or steel tubs), large wheeled charcoal or gas grill (no tanks), window shutters bundled and tied, small engine push lawn mowers (disconnect gas line, drain all fluids and leave caps off). Bulk items that are too heavy to be lifted by two people will not be accepted. **TVs are no longer picked up curbside. They can be taken to the Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Facility located at the LCSWMA Transfer Station, free of charge.** Please feel free to call the Borough Office at (717) 872-4645 ext. 100 to discuss questionable items.

## Household Batteries and Cell Phones



You may dispose of household batteries and cell phones at the Household Hazardous Waste Facility, or you may use the orange plastic battery/cell phone collection bags provided by the Borough FREE of charge. **Please note this change from prior collection years:** Place all household batteries and cell phones in the orange collection bag and place the bag **ON TOP OF THE LID of your trash toter** during the regular trash pickup. Bags placed on top of the recycling toter will NOT be collected.

## Prescription Drug Disposal

The Millersville University Police Department is offering FREE drug drop-offs at their office located at 37 W. Frederick St, (Boyer Building). Do not flush any drugs down the toilet. Prescriptions, prescription patches, medications, prescription ointments, vitamins, samples, and pet medication are all acceptable. The most accessible hours are weekdays, Monday—Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. when the University Police lobby is open. The process does not involve forms or waiting in line, just simply approach the MedReturn box in the University Police lobby and put your medications inside. No questions, no forms and no meeting with any officers or staff. For safe disposal of sharps (needles), they must be stored in a container (ex: Safe Clip™ or detergent bottle) and sealed to protect workers. Dispose in your regular trash.

## Commercial Recycling Requirements

Businesses in the Borough are required to recycle certain items mandated by State and Borough Ordinance. Those items include cardboard, glass bottles and jars, steel and aluminum cans and plastic bottles with necks. In addition, automotive repair shops should be recycling used motor oil and other vehicle fluids, tires, and batteries. For full details, see Millersville Borough Code of Ordinances, Chapter 310-18, available online at [www.millersvilleborough.org](http://www.millersvilleborough.org).

### A SPECIAL THANK YOU

to all our residents who participate in the Borough's Recycling Program. Your recycling efforts allow the Borough to receive grant money to operate our program.

### 2026 HOLIDAY COLLECTION SCHEDULE

Exceptions to regular Monday Trash/Recycling Pickup:  
Memorial Day Collection will be on Tuesday, May 26, 2026

Labor Day Collection will be held on Tuesday, September 8, 2026

## MILLERSVILLE BOROUGH

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Millersville, PA 17551

Office Hours:  
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8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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[millersville@millersvilleborough.org](mailto:millersville@millersvilleborough.org)

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Payments can be placed in the  
overnight depository box located to  
the left of the front doors.



## Lancaster County Household Hazardous Waste Facility

The Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Facility is located at the Lancaster County Solid Waste Management Authority (LCSWMA) transfer station, 1299 Harrisburg Pike and has the following receiving hours: **Monday—Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., and Saturday, 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Hours may change due to holidays.**

Many materials used in the home, garage and garden are considered household hazardous waste and must not be thrown into your trash. Lancaster County residents can dispose of qualifying materials at the HHW Facility, FREE of charge. The following are accepted: ● Adhesives ● Automotive Fluids (5gallon container maximum) ● Batteries—Automotive and Household ● Covered devices: desktop computers, laptops, LED/LCD monitors, computer peripherals (keyboard, mouse, printer and speakers), televisions and e-readers. Limit of 10 per customer, per day ● E-waste: photo cameras, video cameras, cell phones and smart phones, cell phone peripherals (chargers, batteries, Bluetooth ear-piece, air cards, clips, cases), MP3 players and iPods, PDAs, DVD/VCR players, portable electronic game players, video game consoles, stereos and stereo peripherals (CD players, turntables, amplifiers, speakers). No wooden speakers. Limit of 10 per customer, per day ● Fire extinguishers ● Floor and furniture polish ● Fuel, including kerosene, gasoline, and propane ● Household cleaners ● Lawn treatments including herbicides and pesticides ● Mercury containing items including ballasts, flourscent bulbs, thermostats, and thermometers ● Paint, rust inhibitors, stains, turpentine, and thinners ● Photographic and pool chemicals.

**Lancaster County Solid Waste Management Authority**  
**1299 Harrisburg Pike**  
**Lancaster, PA 17603**  
**717-397-9968**

### REMINDER

**DO NOT put batteries in with your trash.** Batteries can overheat, start a fire, and even explode. This is a situation that can be easily avoided by using a battery recycling bag. You can pick up free bags at the Borough Office. When the bag is full, place it on top of the lid of your trash toter; or drop it off at the Household Hazardous Waste Facility at LCSWMA.

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### INFORMATION FROM LCSWMA

All loads taken to the LCSWMA Transfer Station must be tarped.

All visitors, including passengers, must wear a high-visibility vest or garment while at the tipping area.  
**FREE VESTS ARE NOT PROVIDED.**

The LCSWMA facilities only accept credit or debit cards.  
No cash or checks.