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RE: CHANGES TO TRASH & RECYCLING SERVICES

The Town of Stafford recently entered into a new agreement with All American Waste for trash and recycling services in its Service District for one- and two-family homes. As a part of the agreement, we will be making changes to our waste management program that will not only make the collection more convenient, but also contribute to a cleaner environment. Between **November 1st-3rd**, we are rolling out new trash and recycling carts. The trash cart is grey, and the recycling cart is blue. Should you sell your home, the carts need to remain at the residence.

These new carts have been designed to enhance your service experience:

1. **Increased Capacity:** Our new carts are sized to maximize collection efficiency. The trash carts allow for all material to be contained inside a single cart, and the recycling carts are sized to accept more recyclable material. All material must be in the cart and extra material next to the cart will not be collected.
2. **Enhanced Convenience:** Wheeled carts allow for easy transport to and from the curb.
3. **Cleaner Neighborhoods:** The carts come with secure lids to prevent spillage, keeping our streets organized, clean, and free of loose materials.

To get started with your new carts, please follow these simple steps:

1. **Collection Schedule:**
 - Trash Collection will continue on a weekly basis on your existing pickup day.
 - Recycling collection will move to a biweekly schedule. Attached is the calendar.
 - Pickup time may change depending on route. Please put your carts out the night before.
2. **Recycling Education:** If you have any questions about what can or cannot be recycled, please visit All American Waste's website <https://www.allamericanwaste.com/>.
3. **Disposal of Pails and Bins:** All American Waste will be providing a recycling outlet at the Town's transfer station located at 80 Upper Road through the following dates: November 1st – December 1st. Please feel free to drop off your old bins and barrels at no cost to you.

We're excited about this upgrade and believe it will contribute to a more sustainable future for our community. If you have any questions, please call the DPW Office Monday through Thursday at 860-684-3448. We can also be reached by email at dpw@staffordct.org.