



Circle Pines City News

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March 2026

Curbside Sticker Program Discontinued Beginning March 1

Curbside large/bulk items, appliances & extra garbage bags pickups will continue but, instead of calling city hall and utilizing stickers, you will now...

Call Republic Services at 320-252-9608
(to schedule and prepay)

1. Select Prompt 1 (residential/home services)
2. Select Prompt 3 (bulk/large item collection)



EXTRA GARBAGE BAGS

(FRIDAY PICKUP)-CALL BEFORE **TUESDAY** THE WEEK OF PICKUP.

LARGE/BULK ITEMS

(TUESDAY PICKUP)-CALL BEFORE **THURSDAY** THE WEEK BEFORE.

APPLIANCES

(WEDNESDAY PICKUP)-CALL BEFORE **THURSDAY** THE WEEK BEFORE.

Additional Recycling Opportunity

Saturday, March 14

8 a.m.-Noon

Recycle Technologies
1525-99th Lane NE, Blaine

Accepted for Free:

Laptops, Tablets, Cell Phones and Scrap Metal, Holiday Lights, Extension Cords and Cables
(\$7 charge if computer or laptop has a hard drive in it)

Accepted for a Fee:

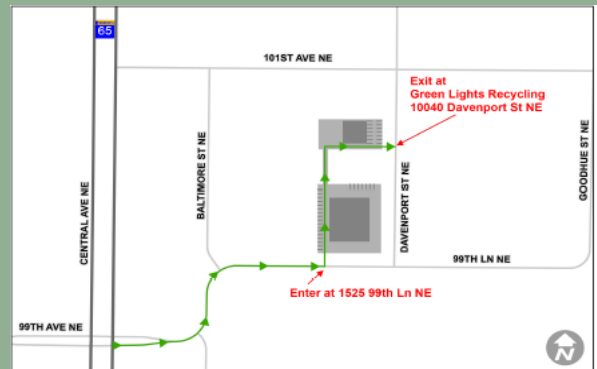
For more information, please call Recycle Technologies at

A Photo ID will be required.

Please enter at 99th Ln NE. Exit at Davenport St NE.

Cash or Checks are acceptable payment types.

If you would like to recycle four free items, be sure to bring the coupon.



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Recycle
4 items for Free
(\$55 Maximum)

Coupon valid only on
March 14, 2026
8 a.m.-Noon
Recycling Technologies

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City Hall Hours
M-F: 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

March Public Meetings
City Council
03/10 & 03/24 7 p.m.

Park Board
03/03 6:30 p.m.

Utilities Commission
03/24 5 p.m.

Planning Commission
03/16 7 p.m.

You can also view the latest Council meeting at any time on the Website at circlepinesmn.gov. Click on Government and then City Council meeting video on demand.

Missed Garbage/Recycle Pickup
Call Republic Services at
763-259-5535

Garbage/Refuse Rates

The City Council has set the garbage rates for 2026. Garbage/refuse rates were last adjusted in 2022. The 2026 updates reflect modest increases in certain cart sizes to help account for rising operational costs.

Updated 2026 Monthly Garbage Rates:

35-Gallon Cart:

\$8.28 → \$9.11 Senior (income-based) rate: \$7.45 → \$8.20

64-Gallon Cart:

\$11.90 → \$12.32 Senior (income-based) rate: \$10.71 → \$11.09

96-Gallon Cart:

\$17.08 (no change) Senior (income-based) rate: \$15.37 (no change)

Recycling, organics, and seasonal yard waste cart rates will remain unchanged for 2026. By holding these rates steady, the Council is reinforcing its ongoing support efforts making it easy for residents to continue participating in environmentally responsible programs without additional cost.

As always, we appreciate our residents' partnership in keeping our community clean, efficient, and environmentally responsible.

Library News-Centennial Branch

After a long winter, we are ready to turn the corner into Spring here at the library. March is a month of transitions, so whether you're getting ready for Spring Break, planning a garden, or just dreaming of summer, we look forward to sharing this month with you. Especially on these cold winter days, you are always welcome to come join us even if it's just to sit by the fire. With all that being said, here are a few of the things happening this month at your library.

Storytimes

Storytimes have started and will run through the week of April 25. Please call or ask at the desk for more information.

Toddler Storytimes are Tuesdays at 11:15 a.m.; this session is designed for children between ages 2-3.

Family Storytimes are Thursdays at 11:15 a.m.; any age is welcome to these sessions.

Adults

Centennial Bookclub for Adults. Monday, March 23, 6:45 to p.m.-8:00 p.m. Interested in trying out a new book group? Join us for the Centennial Book Club! Drop in for a favorite book discussion or become a regular member. This month's book is Saturday Night at the Lakeside Supper Club: A Novel, by J. Ryan Stradal.

Centennial's hours of operation are:

Monday: 11 a.m.-7 p.m.

Tuesday: 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Wednesday: 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Thursday: 11 a.m.-7 p.m.

Friday: 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Saturday: 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Sunday: Closed



Smart Steps to Stormwater Management

Make your community better! You can take steps to decrease the pollution that flows into local waterways every time it rains, snows, or sleets by following these tips.

Direct water from downspouts and sprinklers to green areas only.



Where Stormwater Flows, Everything Goes



Scoop, Don't Pollute!

Think picking up dog waste is unpleasant? Imagine drinking it, swimming in it, or fishing in it. When pet owners leave waste behind, rain and melting snow wash it into storm drains and waterways, the same lakes and rivers we rely on for drinking water, recreation, and fishing.

Pet waste is a major stormwater pollutant. It carries harmful parasites and bacteria such as *E. coli* and other pathogens that can contaminate surface and groundwater, making them unsafe for people and wildlife. It's our responsibility to prevent this pollution.

How to Dispose of Pet Waste Properly

- Bag it and trash it. Always carry pet waste bags and dispose of waste in the garbage.
- Flush it (dogs only). If you're connected to a city sewer system, you can flush unbagged dog waste. Never flush if you have a septic system or if it's cat waste.
- Compost it. Use a pet-waste-specific compost bin. Never add bagged waste to regular compost.
- Check local rules. Review the City's pet waste ordinance for guidance.

Every small action counts. By picking up after your pet, you protect our waters, our health, and our community. Remember to scoop, don't pollute!



Now Accepting Applications for Summer Jobs

Park Maintenance Worker

The City of Circle Pines is currently looking for seasonal park employees. The individuals will perform various types of manual labor, groundskeeping, operate light equipment, such as lawn mowers, and work on various projects in the park system. Position pays \$17/hr. Work hours are Monday-Friday 6:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Applicant must be 16 years or older.

Public Works Maintenance Worker

Centennial Utilities/City of Circle Pines is currently looking for summer seasonal employees for the Public Works Department to perform various types of manual labor and operate light equipment. Applicant must be 18 years or older. Work hours are Monday-Friday 7 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Position pays \$17/hr.

Applications for Positions

Please fill out a city application and return to city hall or email application to cpeterson@circlepinesmn.gov. Applications will be accepted until positions are filled. Applications can be found on city website circlepinesmn.gov.

Smoke Alarms & Carbon Monoxide Detectors



Smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors are small devices that make a big difference! Working alarms save lives. Take a few minutes each month to test your alarms and replace batteries at least once a year. Smoke alarms themselves should be replaced every 10 years to ensure they're working properly. For the best protection, make sure alarms are installed on every level of your home and near all sleeping areas.

Need help checking or installing alarms? SBM Fire is happy to assist residents with smoke alarm needs. Call 763-767-4003 to schedule an appointment and help keep your home and family safe.