

# VILLAGE OF FOREMOST AUTOMATED GARBAGE COLLECTION

The Village of Foremost is in the process of finalizing the use of Automated Garbage Collection. What this means for us is that garbage will be picked up by an automated truck with a mechanical arm that lifts and empties the compatible collection carts. Residents must use the carts provided by the Village as they are specially designed for pick-up by the garbage truck's mechanical arm. Resident's will only be allocated one (1) 120L collection cart. It is the responsibility of the home owner to take care of any excess waste that does not fit in the collection cart.

Garbage inside the cart must be bagged. Bagged garbage will keep the cart clean, eliminate blown garbage and reduce odor. Each cart will typically hold 4 regular-sized garbage bags. The lid of the cart MUST be able to close completely in order to be collected (DO NOT OVER-FILL your cart).

**The Village garbage truck will no longer be available for public use.**

The dump hours are:

Wednesday: 1 - 6 pm  
Friday: 8 am - 1 pm  
Saturday: 10 am – 5 pm

A reminder that there are also Recycling trailers located in the North East corner of the Village, next to the Library/Seniors Centre for your use. Taking advantage of these trailers will help eliminate some of the bulk of your garbage and the amount of waste entering our landfills.

Garbage day will be changed to every Wednesday. All residences and commercial locations will receive 1 pickup weekly. In the event of inclement weather, pickup will be on the Friday following the regular pickup day as weather permits. On collection day, carts must be out and properly placed by 8am.

Carts will be dropped off to each household in the proper placing in order for the automated truck to pick it up. This way you will know how and where they should be in order for proper pick-up. The automated truck is too large to work in our alleys and therefore, cart pick up will be from the front streets.

In the event of equipment malfunction/breakdown, pickup will be on the Friday following the regular pickup day or as soon as practical.

Waste receptacles must be placed in the street in an easily accessible location for automated waste collection and shall:

- i. Not be filled in such a manner to exceed the manufacturer's rated weight limit,
- ii. Not be filled higher than the upper rim or in a manner which prevents full closure of the lid,
- iii. Not have its contents compressed in such a manner that it inhibits the waste from falling freely from the receptacle during the regular tipping process,
- iv. Not contain anything more than 4 feet (120 centimeters) long at any point,
- v. Not contain hazardous waste, a tire, automotive part, or used motor or cooking oil,
- vi. Not contain metal pipe, tubing or any large appliance or plumbing fixture such as a toilet, sink, tub, refrigerator or range,
- vii. Not contain an animal carcass or any part of an animal.

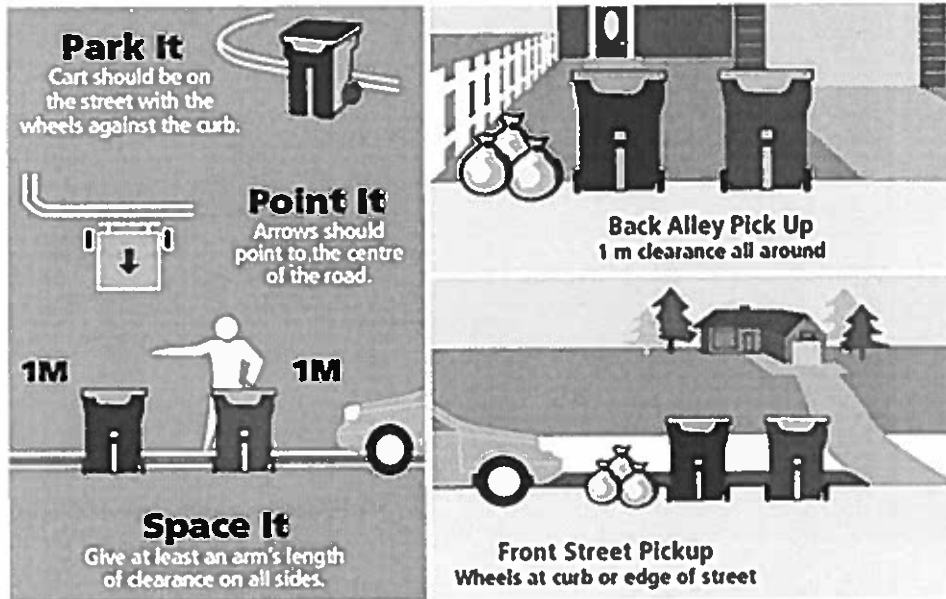
***Any waste receptacle not meeting these requirements will not be collected.***

If you have neighbours who are seniors, or anyone who can't move their own bin, please consider giving them a hand if you are able.

Please see attached instruction sheet for quick reference.

# **AUTOMATED COLLECTION CART**

## **COMMERCIAL**



## **RESIDENTIAL**

**PARK IT:** Place your cart on the street/laneway, with wheels against the curb. If there is no curb, place the cart just off the street, or on the shoulder

**SPACE IT:** Leave at least 1 meter/3 feet of clearance between carts and any obstacles such as parked cars, poles, mailboxes, etc.

**POINT IT :** The arrows on the cart lid must point to the center of the street.

**TAKE IT:** Return your cart to your property by the end of your collection day

### **HOW AUTOMATED COLLECTION WORKS**

- Place your cart at your pick-up location by 8:00 a.m. on your collection day.
- You will be advised through the Community Sign if your collection day is temporarily altered to accommodate holidays.
- Bag and tie all your household waste. Small grocery bags **do not** have to be placed into a standard garbage bag to use the cart.
- All your waste must fit in the cart and the lid must be closed. No additional waste will be collected.
- You are responsible for keeping your cart clean and secure. You must return your cart to your property within 24 hours of collection.

### **HAS YOUR CART BEEN DAMAGED OR GONE MISSING?**

Contact the Village Office at 403-867-3733. If loss or damage to your cart is the result of neglect, you will be responsible for the replacement cost of the cart.