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## Press Release

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***Waste Management to deliver wheeled carts for refuse and recycling to Plainfield residents***  
*Distribution of 24,000 carts to begin in early March*

Plainfield, IL -- The Village of Plainfield and Waste Management of Illinois, Inc. announced that they will be distributing new recycling and refuse carts to the Village's approximately 12,000 households as a major enhancement to the community's recycling and waste collection program.

Residents will receive two 96-gallon wheeled carts, one for recyclables and one for refuse disposal, as part of the service at no additional charge. Approximately 24,000 carts will be distributed beginning in early March.

"The new carts will benefit our residents by making it easier for them to move their recyclables and waste to the curb for collection by Waste Management," said Mayor Collins. "We expect recycling volumes to increase and, because the carts have lids to prevent litter, we expect Plainfield to be an even cleaner community."

"The new carts are equipped with sturdy wheels, making it much easier and more efficient for residents to move their recyclables and trash out for collection," said Michael Morley, Waste Management's Municipal Marketing Manager for Plainfield. "The recycling cart will have an easy-to-identify yellow lid containing information about recycling. It will provide five times the capacity of current recycling containers, making it easier to recycle more materials more easily. This should help increase recycling rates. And the larger carts offer more capacity for cleanups after parties, events, and other occasions."

Waste Management encourages residents to use the larger 96-gallon carts, additional refuse must be contained in a 32-gallon rigid container or bags placed next to the refuse cart on collection day.

Residents do not need to do anything to receive the new 96-gallon carts, Morley said. However, smaller, 64-gallon wheeled cart pairs are available by contacting Waste Management. Residents can request the smaller containers by calling Waste Management's customer service center at (800) 796-9696; e-mailing their name, address, and telephone number to Waste Management at [Plainfield64galcart@wm.com](mailto:Plainfield64galcart@wm.com); or filling out and mailing in the postcard residents will receive this week. Waste Management asks that requests for the smaller containers be made by January 31<sup>st</sup>.

The new carts are on display at the Village Hall, 24401 W. Lockport Street, and at the Public Works Building at 14400 Coil Plus Drive.

Residents currently renting a refuse or recycling cart, or both, will no longer be billed for rental charges. They may retain the cart and will receive a letter regarding their cart options.

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