

WHAT TO DO WITH MY EXTRA TRASH – 2020

The City of Cortez provides flatbed trucks to be used to assist property owners in neighborhood cleanup. Removing yard debris and junk items from around homes greatly improves the appearance of your yard, the neighborhood, and the City as a whole. The truck user must sign a certification that the load will not contain any electronics, tires, appliances, construction debris, chemicals, batteries, hazardous materials, insecticides, pesticides, medical waste, hot ashes, asbestos, wet paint, oil, unacceptable wastes, or liquids of any kind.



There is a minimum truck user fee of \$70, which must be paid (cash, check, or credit card) at the City Service Center, 110 West Progress Circle, in the Cortez Industrial Park, **by noon of delivery date.** Since the Montezuma County Landfill charges the City by weight for dumping these trucks, the fees will be passed on to the truck user. Thus, if the load weighs over one (1) ton when taken to the landfill, the truck user will be billed an additional \$45.00 per ton/partial ton.



The City also provides a Chipper/Mulching service to assist property owners in cleaning up their yard.

The minimum Chipper Fee of \$50 for 20 minutes must be paid **prior to** scheduling the chipping job. Additional charges (\$1/minute) are to be paid when the chipping job is finished, or within one week of completion. There is an additional mulching fee of \$10 to unhook the chipper and dump the chips in your yard.

The flatbeds and the chipper are available for residential property clean-up only. **No commercial construction uses will be allowed. This includes private contractor work at residences.**

If you are continually overloading your polycart, or have additional bags each week, please order a second polycart (for an additional fee of \$22.75/month), or request to have a dumpster delivered to your residence. Once-a-week pickups are available for a 2-yard dumpster (\$51.45/month) or a 3-yard dumpster (\$70.35/month). Restrictions apply to polycarts and dumpsters. No construction materials such as concrete, rocks, dirt, chemicals, tires, wood, metal, or steel are allowed. Dumpsters cannot be over-loaded past the rim of the dumpster.



Once a year, the City offers a **Clean-Up Week** whereby residents can bring their unwanted items to the Parque de Vida Parking Lot on a Saturday and have City staff help unload them into a large waste container. For City residents who can't get their items to the drop-off, our Public Works Department utilizes a backhoe and flatbed to pick those items up from the curb. The 2020 City of Cortez Clean-Up Week will be September 14-18, 2020, with a community volunteer clean-up day set for Saturday, September 12, 2020. The day to drop items off at the Parque de Vida parking lot will be Saturday, September 19, 2020.

For more information, visit our website at www.cityofcortez.com. To schedule any of these services, contact the City Service Center, 110 West Progress Circle, in the Industrial Park, or call 565-7320.



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Service Center
110 West Progress Circle
Cortez, CO 81321



CITY OF CORTEZ RESIDENTIAL TRASH AND RECYCLING SERVICES

Call City Hall to Set Up Service: 970.564.4012



WHAT IS INCLUDED WITH CITY TRASH SERVICE?

1. The City will place one polycart (96-gallon) at your residence for **household waste only**. If you need a second bin, one will be provided and added to your bill. Do not put dirt, brush, limbs, or yard debris in the polycarts.
2. The City will pick up an additional three bags **or** three 33-gallon trashcans (In good working order) of yard debris and two **SMALL** hand-tied bundles of tree limbs **no longer than four feet (4')** with your polycart pickup. **For the safety of our workers, please keep all additional material below fifty (50) pounds/bag or can.**
3. If your polycart is overloaded, it may not be emptied.
4. **DO NOT PUT DEAD ANIMALS IN THE POLY CART.**
Contact Animal Control at 970.565.8441 for information about disposal.
5. The polycarts are provided by the City to put your household trash in.
IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY to keep these carts clean and sanitary.
6. The City has free curbside recycling – let us know if you want to recycle and a green recycling bin will be placed at your residence for once-a-week pickup.



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- Q. When do trash routes run?**
A. *Once a week, Monday through Friday. Your pickup day depends on location. When you sign up for water/trash service, you will be informed of the pickup day.*
- Q. Is there an additional charge for a second polycart?**
A. *Yes. If you generally overrun the capabilities of one polycart, you can order a second polycart for an additional monthly fee.*
- Q. Are there auto-billing options?**
A. *Yes, just set it up at the same time you sign up for trash service – Call 564.4012.*
- Q. Can I order a temporary dumpster for residential cleanup?**
A. *Yes, call or check online for current trash rates.*