

Dear Property Owner / Resident / Renter:

August 14, 2017

As a property owner or resident in the Marcy-Holmes, Southeast Como, or Prospect Park neighborhood, you're aware that unsightly piles of garbage appear as many renters move in or out this time of year. If you do not make the necessary arrangements, and **if we find excess amounts of garbage at your property from August 28 through September 15, the Division of Solid Waste & Recycling will clean up the garbage and bill you accordingly.** You will not receive any additional warnings. Please do your best to donate usable items and recycle as many materials as possible.

- Reduce Waste:** See the enclosed insert on ways to reduce waste and properly dispose of excess materials from your move.
- Donate Usable Items:** Student and neighborhood residents may donate unwanted usable items to the **University of Minnesota's Pack & Give Back Program** by bringing them to the ReUse Warehouse at 883 29<sup>th</sup> Ave SE. Visit: <http://facm.umn.edu/reuse-program/packandgiveback> for a list of acceptable materials, hours of operation and information on the Free Store.

**Pack & Give Back**

Usable furniture and properly prepared textiles, books, and household goods may also be placed out at your collection point for reuse pickup from August 28 – September 1. Place textiles and shoes in durable plastic bags, books and household goods in cardboard boxes. Clearly label all bags and boxes for donation. Keep these items separate from large piles of garbage.

- Recycle:** The blue recycling cart is for recycling **paper; cardboard; and plastic, glass and metal food, beverage and other containers only.** Flatten extra cardboard and bundle with string or twine and neatly stack next to the recycling cart. Extra recycling can be placed next to the cart in paper bags or an open box for collection. Placing non-recyclables in the recycling cart will result in the entire cart being disposed of as garbage. For more information visit: [www.minneapolismn.gov/recycling](http://www.minneapolismn.gov/recycling)
- Recycle your organics:** The green cart is for food-scrap, non-recyclable and food-soiled paper, compostable plastics and other compostable materials only. Yard waste and packaged food items are not accepted. Please donate any edible non-perishable food through the Pack and Give Back program. For more information on organics recycling visit: [www.minneapolismn.gov/organics](http://www.minneapolismn.gov/organics)



There are many options for properly disposing of household garbage. Some of these include:

- Garbage Drop-Off:** The utility bill payer for the property can get up to six **vouchers** per year to dispose of large amounts of excess garbage at our South Transfer Station at no additional cost. Call Solid Waste & Recycling at 612-673-2917 for more information or to request a voucher.
- Garbage Clean-up at the Curb or in the Alley:** City crews will pick up excessive garbage for a fee. Rates are \$181/hour, with a minimum charge of \$75. This fee includes pickup and disposal.

Your cooperation is greatly appreciated in helping to keep your neighborhood clean. If you have any questions or concerns about this matter, please call the Division of Solid Waste & Recycling at 612-673-2917.

Sincerely,



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Enclosure