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The Highlands at Gunston Homeowners Association

Scheduled Service Days

Household Solid Waste (Trash): **Monday, Wednesday, Saturday**

Single Stream Recycling: **Wednesday**

Bulk Trash: **Monday**

Christmas Trees: **First Two weeks of January** (to be notified of days)

Holidays: **No service** on July 4th, Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Years Day – Service will resume next service day.

We thank you for allowing us to provide trash removal and recycling services to your community. We look forward to working with you in the upcoming year and providing the highest quality of services that you expect to receive. We would like to remind you of a few items that will make our services easier and more efficient for your community. All household trash needs to be placed in tightly sealed plastic bags and in the trash toter at designated enclosures. This will assure that no animals get into the trash and litter the surrounding area. A rear load packer truck will collect your household trash. Recyclable material (see details below) should be placed in the recycling toter also in the designated enclosures. Please remember not to store important items in trash bags near our collection area. Our crew is trained to collect all items left within 10 feet of collection area or curbside.

We ask and urge our clients to recycle, not only because it is the law in Fairfax County but also because recycling generally prevents the waste of potentially useful materials, reduces the consumption of raw materials and reduces energy usage, and hence greenhouse gas emissions, compared to virgin production. In an effort to encourage recycling and make the process more efficient, we provide single stream recycling. In a single stream recycling method, all recyclables (except yard waste) are collected in the same truck. The recyclables are then taken to a Material Recovery Facility (MRF) where they are separated by type. We use a rear load packer truck for the collection of recyclables. **Recyclable items include, glass bottles and jars; plastic bottles and jugs; metal food and beverage containers; scrap metal; cardboard and mixed paper, including but not limited to corrugated cardboard, magazines, newspaper, office paper, and miscellaneous paper products. See recycling flier for more detail.**

Typical household effects, such as small items of used furniture and personal effects (i.e., sofas, beds, mattresses, box springs, chairs, desks, entertainment centers, television sets, filing cabinets, etc.) will be picked up at no additional charge, unless the item contains metal. Residents must call our offices at (703) 339-4560 or email us at bulktrash@trashaway.com to set up a time for collection.

White metal goods (i.e., refrigerators, stoves, microwaves, metal shelving, equipment with motors, etc.) require special disposal and are not considered bulk trash under the terms of our Agreement but shall be picked up with prior arrangements scheduled by the homeowner for a fee to cover costs of the required disposal. Renovation or contractor debris, such as used carpet, cabinets, bathroom fixtures, and construction debris (i.e., used tiles, drywall, wood materials, paint containers, concrete, metal frames or rods, glass windows or doors, etc.) are not considered bulk trash under terms of our Agreement but may be picked up for additional fees and must be scheduled one week in advance. Please call our offices at (703) 339-4560 or email us at bulktrash@trashaway.com to schedule a bulk pick up and to obtain a listing of prices.

Household hazardous waste is also disposed of separately and will not be accepted by our collectors. Household hazardous waste is defined by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) as hazardous material such as household cleaners, paint thinners, motor oil, gasoline and pesticides. You may refer to the EPA website for more details on this and other environmental issues at www.epa.gov/reg5rcra/wptdiv/p2pages/hhw.pdf.

Please note that we will do our best to collect all material during inclement weather or other acts of nature. When there are changes to service due to unforeseen circumstance, we will promptly contact your management company.

We are very happy to serve the residents of The Highlands at Gunston and we look forward to working with you, not only as your hauler, but also as partners to make your community and our environment a cleaner and better place to live. Please do not hesitate to contact us at (703) 339-4560 at any time with any questions or concerns and we will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,

Chela Garcia

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Director of Operations



Items accepted as Bulk Trash by Trash Away typically collected without charge for disposal:

- ❖ **Small items of used furniture and personal affects** – Sofas, chairs, tables, small television sets, lamps, mattresses and box springs, etc.

Items accepted as Bulk Trash by Trash Away, subject to additional charges for disposal:

- ❖ **Computers and related electronics** - old or unwanted central processing units, hard drives, monitors, keyboards, printers and copiers, laptop computers, wires and power cords, computer speakers, surge protectors, video cards, scanners, computer mice, software, other peripheral computer equipment.
- ❖ **Fire extinguishers** – Aerosol type should be disposed of in your normal household trash. Cylinder type fire extinguishers should be taken to a proper disposal facility during normal operating hours. If you have a household “B-C” type fire extinguisher no greater than 18 inches long, and cannot make it to a disposal facility, place the extinguisher into two heavy duty plastic trash bags. Lay the bag with the extinguisher flat on level ground outdoors. Fold the tops of the bags closed and with one foot, step on the fold. With a free hand, find the extinguisher's release lever from outside the bags. Gently squeeze and slowly release its contents. Knot or tie the bags closed and place them into your regular household trash. Fire extinguishers greater than 18 inches will not be accepted.
- ❖ **Propane/Helium/other tanks** - Whenever possible, please return propane, helium, SCUBA and other tanks to the vendor or supplier from which you obtained them for reuse. If you can't return the tank, please try to use up the contents so the tank is no longer under pressure. If the valve can be broken off, please do so. You may dispose of propane, helium, and other tanks at the Shady Grove Solid Waste Transfer Station.
- ❖ **Automobile parts**
- ❖ **Appliances** - Household appliances such as refrigerators, stoves and microwaves should be picked up retail supplier when replacement appliance is purchased. These items require special handling and disposal.

- ❖ **Construction Debris** - Dry wall, wood, etc. should be picked up and disposed of by the contractor. These items require special handling and disposal.

Items NOT accepted as Bulk Trash by Trash:

- ❖ **Household Hazardous Waste** – Includes the items below:
 - Insecticides (Chlordane, DDT, Malathion, Sevin, Arsenic, etc.)
 - Herbicides
 - Other pesticides (used for control of rodents, fungi, snails, mites, etc.)
 - Fertilizers with herbicides
 - Paint (Empty/dried containers okay)
 - Paint thinners and solvents
 - Swimming pool chemicals
 - Unwanted fuels
 - Mercury containing items, i.e. thermostats and thermometers
 - Used motor oil, most other oils, hydraulic fluids, kerosene
 - Photographic chemicals
 - Brake fluid and antifreeze
 - Car batteries and household, rechargeable batteries containing nickel, cadmium, mercury, silver-oxide, lead or lithium (Alkaline batteries may be put in with regular trash).
 - Fluorescent light tubes and bulbs
- ❖ **Ammunition/Explosives**
- ❖ **Antifreeze**
- ❖ **Ash**



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SINGLE STREAM RECYCLING

RECYCLING MADE SIMPLE. EVERYTHING IN THE SAME BIN! NO SEPARATION NEEDED.

WHAT TO RECYCLE HERE - PLEASE PLACE IN BIN:

- Office paper and envelopes (no need to remove staples, labels, paper clips, address label or windows)
 - Newspaper / inserts / junk mail
 - Glossy paper (magazines and catalogs)
 - Shredded paper (in paper or clear plastic bags)
 - Paper boxes (cereal, pasta and tissue)
 - Plastic-coated paper cartons (milk/juice cartons)
 - Books (paperbacks, textbooks, telephone books)
 - Non-metallic wrapping paper
 - Corrugated cardboard and paper bags (flattened)
 - Plastic containers #1 (Soft drink and water bottles; mouthwash bottles; peanut butter containers; salad dressing and vegetable oil containers)
 - Plastic containers #2 (narrow neck containers - Milk jugs, juice bottles; detergent and household cleaner bottles; shampoo bottles)
 - Plastic containers #3 - #7 (narrow and screw top containers - Some yogurt and butter containers, syrup bottles, ketchup bottles, caps, straws, medicine bottles)
 - Glass bottles and jars
 - Aluminum cans and clean aluminum foil
 - Bi-metal (steel/tin) cans
 - All clean ferrous metal (sticks to a magnet)
 - All clean dry paper
- Please empty and rinse all food residues!**

WHAT NOT TO INCLUDE:

Soiled paper boxes
Take-out food boxes (pizza or Chinese food boxes)
Polystyrene (Styrofoam) containers
Paper towels, plates or napkins
Foil gift wrap
Wax paper
Window glass/mirrors/light bulbs
Dishes, Pyrex, ceramics or Styrofoam
Hazardous Material

RECYCLED ELSEWHERE:

Rechargeable Batteries (various electronics retailers)
Corks (various grocers)
Fluorescent light bulbs (various hardware stores)
Plastic bags - plastic #3 (various grocers)
Styrofoam peanuts (various shipping/packing locations)
Prescription drugs (various pharmacies & DEA)

