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City of Lafayette Announces New Trash and Recycling Pickup Times for 2026 Following Holiday Closures

LAFAYETTE, INDIANA – December 29, 2025 – The City of Lafayette Street and Sanitation Department is announcing updated trash and recycling pickup times that will take effect beginning in **2026** following holiday closures.

Under the new schedule, residential trash and recycling routes will begin on designated days after city-recognized holidays. The adjusted schedule was developed in collaboration with Street and Sanitation employees to ensure continued reliable service while allowing staff to fully observe the city holiday schedule.

2026 Holiday Schedule for Specific Holiday Closures

- If a holiday is observed on a Monday: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday collection will be delayed by one day and Friday will still be collected as scheduled. (Thursday and Friday will both be collected on Friday).
- If a holiday is observed on a Friday: Friday collection will be moved up to Thursday. (Thursday and Friday both will be collected Thursday).
- If a holiday is observed Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday: The days following the holiday will be delayed by one day with Thursday and Friday collection picked up on Friday. (Thursday and Friday both collected Friday) For example: if a holiday is



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observed on Wednesday, Wednesday collection will be delayed to Thursday and Thursday and Friday collection will be collected on Friday.

- Thanksgiving and the Friday after Thanksgiving will be collected on the Saturday following the holiday.
- Christmas Eve and Christmas Day (Thursday and Friday in 2026) will both be collected on the Saturday following the holiday, December 26.

“Our Street and Sanitation employees work hard year-round to keep Lafayette clean and running smoothly,” states Mayor Tony Roswarski. “We agreed to this updated schedule so that they can truly enjoy holidays with their families and friends, and I’m proud of the teamwork that made this possible while still maintaining essential services to our community.”

Residents are reminded to have their trash and recycling totes placed at the curb by 6 am on affected pickup days to ensure collection. As a reminder, totes **MUST** be 3 feet from any obstruction (i.e. mailbox, vehicle, pole, tree), have 2 feet of space in between them, and **MUST** have a clear path from the curb to the street (not behind vehicles). Totes will not be emptied if the pickup instructions are not followed. The city will continue to share reminders and updates through its website and social media channels as holiday schedules approach.

For more information about trash and recycling services, including holiday schedules, residents can visit the Sanitation Department at www.lafayette.in.gov or contact the Sanitation Department at web-san@lafayette.in.gov or call 765-807-1411.

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