

## NEWS RELEASE

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### **New solid waste curbside collection schedules are being delivered**

*Transition to optimized routes taking place mid-January*

#### **Summary**

The City of Nanaimo is reminding residents to check their mail box for their solid waste curbside collection schedule. The schedules are currently being delivered by Canada Post.

New routes are being added in 2021, and existing routes are being modified, to increase efficiency and limit collection delays. Transitions to new routes are taking place mid-January. Residents are asked to check their calendar carefully for the month of January, as some collection days may not follow a regular pattern.

To view an online version of the curbside collection schedule, visit [www.nanaimo.ca/goto/GarbageCalendars](http://www.nanaimo.ca/goto/GarbageCalendars) or download the Nanaimo Recycles app for free from the App Store or Google Play.

*Strategic Link:* The New collection schedule supports the City's ongoing commitment to sustainability; through recycling more at the curb we take more responsibility for the protection of our environment.

#### **Key Points**

- 2021 Garbage, Organics and Recycling Collection Schedule are being delivered to Nanaimo households.
- Residents are asked to pay special attention to the month of January. Routes are transitioning mid-January and collections may not follow a regular pattern.
- Transitioning to a new route system in mid-January will increase efficiency and sustainable service delivery, and reduce operational delays.

#### **Quotes**

"Transitioning to the newly optimized routes in mid-January will reduce unnecessary driving distances, maintenance costs, fuel consumption and carbon emissions while increasing the efficiency and reliability of our curbside collection services. Please make sure to check your 2021 curbside collection schedule to see how your route may be affected."

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#### **Quick Facts**

- Canada Post is delivering around 29,200 calendars to homes in Nanaimo.
- Residents can also access their collection schedule online at [www.Nanaimo.ca/goto/GarbageCalendars](http://www.Nanaimo.ca/goto/GarbageCalendars)
- The Nanaimo Recycles app provides free pick up reminders to your smart phone and is available to download free from Google Play and the Apple App Store.
- If you do not have a smart phone you can sign up to receive free telephone reminders of your waste collection day by calling 250-758-5222.

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