



October 9, 2020

## Township Has New Trash Hauler

As a reminder, Republic Services has been named Lower Gwynedd's new trash collection company.

The Board of Supervisors recently approved a three-year waste and recycling contract with [Republic Services](#) beginning November 1 and running until October 31, 2023. The contract calls for a price of \$84.57 per quarter (\$28.19/month) per household in the first year, \$87.54 per quarter (\$29.18/month) in the second year and \$90.60 per quarter (\$30.20/month) in the final year. The monthly fee for low volume households is \$18 with a charge of \$3 per 30-gallon bag.

Leaf and yard waste in excess of eight bags per pickup will be \$3 per bag. Grass clippings in excess of four bags per pickup will be \$3 per bag. One bulk item per month is included for free. An extra bulk item is \$75.

New totes for trash and recycling will be distributed the last week of this month. **Please place your current recycling totes at the curb on Monday, October 26 for pickup by Waste Management, the current trash hauler. Please leave your trash bins out on Thursday, October 29 and Friday, October 30 for pickup by Waste Management.**

The Republic Services logo features a red recycling symbol (three chasing arrows forming a triangle) to the left of the words "REPUBLIC SERVICES" in a bold, blue, sans-serif font.

**New Three-Year Waste and Recycling Contract**  
*(starting November 1, 2020 through October 31, 2023)*

**Year 1- \$28.19/mo; Year 2- \$29.18/mo; Year 3- \$30.20/mo**

- Low Volume: \$18/mo + \$3.00 per 30-gallon bag or tag
- Bulk Items: one (1) included per month; \$75 per item over one (1)
- Grass Clippings in excess of four (4) bags per pick-up: \$3.00 per bag
- Leaf and Yard Waste in excess of eight (8) bags per pick-up: \$3.00 per bag

## Voting Resources For November 3 General Election

The General Election is Tuesday, November 3. Polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. The last day to register to vote is October 19.

[Click here for voting information and resources from Montgomery County Voter Services](#)

[Click here to find your polling place for the General Election](#)

The County Commissioners have approved 10 ballot drop off locations for the General Election. The closest drop off to Lower Gwynedd is at the Upper Dublin Township Building, 801 Loch Alsh Avenue. The ballot boxes will open on October 3 and be available for use from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays and from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays.



### 2020 Election Secure Ballot Box Drop-Off Locations

Secure ballot boxes have been placed throughout Montgomery County for constituents to drop-off their ballots prior to the Election on Tuesday, November 3, 2020. Secure boxes will be available for the public to return their completed ballots at the locations listed below through November 3, 2020. Completed ballots must be placed in the drop-off boxes by the time the polls close at 8pm on Election Day, Tuesday, November 3, 2020.

#### . . . HOURS . . .

October 3 – October 30  
MWF 9am-4pm • T-Thu 11am-6pm • Sat & Sun 11am-4pm

October 31 & November 1  
Sat & Sun 10am-6pm

November 2 & November 3  
Mon & Tues 9am-8pm

#### Cheltenham

Wall Park  
1 Wall Park Drive • Elkins Park, PA 19027

#### Conshohocken

225 Washington Street • Conshohocken, PA 19428

#### Lansdale

Church Road Parking Lot  
226 Station Square Blvd. • Lansdale, PA 19446

#### Lower Merion

Ludington Library  
5 South Bryn Mawr Avenue • Bryn Mawr, PA 19010

#### Norristown

Montgomery County Airy Street Parking Lot  
Corner of Airy and DeKalb Streets • Norristown, PA 19401

#### Pottstown

Montgomery County Community College –  
West Campus (Hanover Street Building)  
95 S Hanover Street • Pottstown, PA 19464

#### Royersford

Royersford Borough Parking Lot # 1A  
behind Borough Hall  
300 Main Street • Royersford, PA 19468

#### Skippack

Skippack Municipal Building  
4089 Heckler Road • Skippack, PA 19474

#### Upper Dublin

Upper Dublin Municipal Building  
801 Loch Alsh Avenue • Fort Washington, PA 19034

#### Upper Frederick

Green Lane Park  
2144 Snyder Road • Green Lane, PA 18054

#### Upper Moreland

Willow Grove YMCA  
3300 Davisville Road • Hatboro, PA 19040

Pursuant to the Pennsylvania Election Code you may only return your own voted ballot. You may not return any ballot that does not belong to you. County Security will be on-site at each location, and there will be video surveillance. Anyone depositing a ballot that does not belong to them will be referred to the District Attorney's office.

## Drug Take Back Day Is October 24

[National Drug Take Back Day](#) is Saturday, October 24. The Lower Gwynedd Police Department will be a drop off location between 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Drug Take Back Day is a safe, convenient and responsible way to dispose of unused or expired prescription drugs.



## Halloween Safety Guidance

Halloween is just three weeks away and understandably there are questions this year about trick-or-treating. Montgomery County and the CDC have issued guidance for Halloween. Please visit the websites for tips.

[Montgomery County Halloween guidance](#)

[CDC Halloween guidance](#)

Montgomery County Office of Public (MCOPH) health believes there are alternative ways to safely engage in Halloween activities. The Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) outlines Halloween festivities that are considered low, moderate and high risk for COVID-19. MCOPH has reviewed the guidelines set by CDC and below has outlined activities to reduce the risk of COVID-19 transmission:

General Prevention	
Feeling Ill?	If you are sick with COVID-19 like symptoms (fever or chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, and diarrhea) or under isolation/quarantine, STAY HOME!!
Social Distancing	Maintain a distance of at least 6 feet or more from people you don't live with. Be particularly mindful in areas where it may harder to keep this distance, such as restrooms and eating areas. Minimize gestures that promote close contact. For example, do not shake hands, elbow bump, or give hugs. Instead wave and verbally greet others.
Masking	A face mask or face shield should be worn at all times. Do not use a costume mask (such as for Halloween) as a substitute for a cloth mask unless it is made of two or more layers of breathable fabric that covers your mouth and nose and doesn't leave gaps around your face.
Cleaning/ Disinfecting	Clean and disinfect commonly touched surfaces and shared items between uses when feasible. Use EPA-approved disinfectants.
Hand Hygiene	Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after you have been in a public place, or after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing. If soap and water are not readily available, use a hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol. Cover all surfaces of your hands and rub them together until they feel dry.

## Township Staff Available By Appointment

The Lower Gwynedd Township Building is open but appointments are necessary. Please call 215-646-5302 to schedule a visit. If possible, please conduct business online or by phone for the health and safety of yourself and staff.

## Coronavirus Resources

[Lower Gwynedd Township coronavirus page](#)

[Montgomery County coronavirus hub](#)

[Pennsylvania Department of Health](#)

[CDC](#)