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## Curbside Recycling Collection Resumes Week of Monday, October 4

**Bloomington, Ind.** - Starting **Monday, October 4**, City of Bloomington sanitation customers can expect recycling pickup to resume, along with solid waste/trash pickup, on their usual collection day. If recycling items exceed the capacity of the City recycling bin, customers may set out extra items in other containers. Recycling placed in plastic bags will not be collected.

The Sanitation Division of the Department of Public Works paused regular recycling pickup last week due to a COVID-19-related staffing shortage. In all, four Sanitation employees received positive results of COVID-19 viral tests and six employees were identified as close contacts and required to take time off work to quarantine.

The Sanitation Division collected solid waste/trash and yard waste last week, as well as the occasional recycling bins brought to the curb. To learn about your pickup day, what can be recycled, and the latest updates, enter your address at this <u>link</u>. Contact Sanitation at 812-349-3443 for more information or with questions.

Thus far, **113** positive COVID-19 viral test results have been reported since the start of the pandemic by City workers, including those employed by the municipal corporations that operate

the water utility (City of Bloomington Utilities), transit system (Bloomington Transit), and public housing (Bloomington Housing Authority). Additionally, COVID-19 was listed among the causes of death of one City worker.

Data about COVID-19 cases among City employees, in the county, the state and the nation are presented at this online <u>dashboard</u>. Other City-related updates about the COVID-19 pandemic are assembled <u>here</u>.

The City of Bloomington is committed to sharing information about how its operations and workforce are affected by this public health emergency, and will continue to provide updates about confirmed cases among staff while protecting employees' privacy.