

Public Works Division: Solid Waste Management

Creating a Sustainable Solid Waste Program

Solid Waste Management Mission Statement:

The Solid Waste Management Department provides safe, high quality, and cost effective solid waste collection and transportation services to residential and commercial customers. The department provides these services as a matter of public safety and in the interest of building a better community.

Topics Covered in Survey

How satisfied are our customers?

How often is trash placed outside of cart?

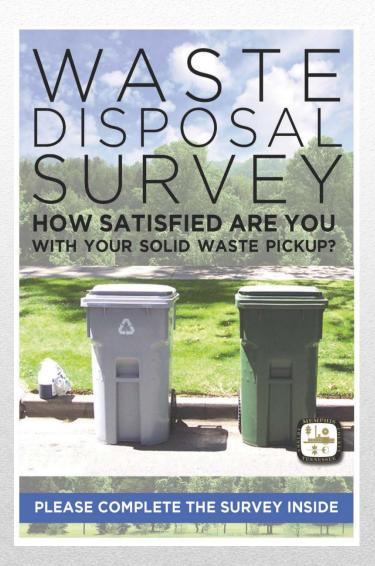
How long has trash stayed at the curb?

Are our customers willing to pay a higher fee?

How much more are customers willing to pay?







How satisfied are you with your solid waste collection service?
5 - VERY SATISFIED 4 - SOMEWHAT SATISFIED 3 - NEITHER SATISFIED NOR DISSATISFIED 2 - SOMEWHAT DISSATISFIED 1 - VERY DISSATISFIED
How often do you place trash outside of your cart? NEVER 1 TIME A WEEK 1 TIME A MONTH 2-4 TIMES A YEAR MORE THAN 4 TIMES A
How long has trash stayed on the curb that was outside of your cart?
1 WEEK 2 WEEKS 3 WEEKS 4 WEEKS
Are you willing to pay a higher fee for additional services beyond your core service of garbage cart pickup and recycling, (e.g. curbside trash)?
YES
☐ DEPENDS ON HOW MUCH
Currently, the solid waste service fee is \$22.80 per month. How much more are you willing to pay for more timely services?
□ \$1- \$5
□ \$6 - \$10 □ \$11 - \$15
☐ \$11 - \$12
COMMENTS

Curbside Trash Survey

- Mailed to 11,872 customers
- 10% of customers responded
- 53% of respondents left a comment on the survey

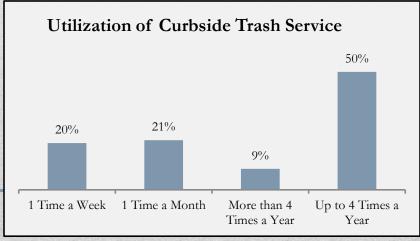




Overall Customer Responses

- 70% of respondents in all districts were satisfied with current curbside trash collection services
- 31% of respondents in all districts are willing to pay more for timely services
- The average number of days curbside trash is left is 15 days





Survey Stats

District Area	Number of Responses	Satisfaction with Service
ALL	1216	Satisfied
District 1	183	Satisfied
District 2	286	Neutral
District 3	114	Neutral
District 4	137	Satisfied
District 5	243	Satisfied
District 6	149	Satisfied
District 7	94	Satisfied

Solid Waste Plan Objectives

- Improve customer response time
- Establish a sustainable fee structure
- Establish a framework to encourage waste reduction
- Eliminate trash at the curb for extended periods of time

Weekly Service- Everything in a Cart

Service Level and Budget		All in the Cart	Plan Options
	FY18	D 1	6 Month Implementation
	Γ110	Proposed	Lowest Rate
Outside Cart SL	21 days	7* days	Safest Collection/ Fewer OJIs
Average Response	17 days	7 days	No Loose Debris
Service Rate	\$22.80	\$22.80	All Debris Must be on City Provided Carts
Fund Balance	Fund Balance		May Lease an Additional Cart (up to 4)
Transfer	\$4,390,339	-	Drop Off Locations for excess Debris
Survey says: 50% of respondents place debris outside the			Increase Code Policing
cart less than 4 times per year		No Contract Changes	

^{*}Note any waste placed outside cart in this model is a violation of code and will be subject to fees and penalties.

Quarterly Scheduled Collections

Service Level and Budget		Scheduled Collection	Plan Options
	FY18	Proposed	Customer must call/request online/use app for service
Outside Cart SL	21 days	10 days	6 Month Implementation
Average Response	17 days	5 days	4 collections per year @ 8 cubic yards each time
Service Rate	\$22.80	\$25.05	Efficient/routed collection
Fund Balance	Fund Balance		May Lease an Additional Cart (up to 4)
Transfer	\$4,390,339	-	Drop Off Locations for Debris
			No Contract Changes

Monthly Curbside Collection by Service Day/ Area

Service Level and Budget		Monthly Curbside Trash	Plan Options 10 Month Implementation
	FY18	Proposed	Establish Penalty for Excess
Outside Cart SL	21 days	10 days	Increase Code Policing
Average Response	17 days	8 days	Collection to a 8 CY once a Month
Service Rate	\$22.80	\$28.05	
Fund Balance Transfer	\$4,390,339	-	

Weekly Curbside Collection

Service Level and Budget		Curbside Every Week	Plan Options
	FY18	Proposed	10 Month Implementation
			Establish Penalty for Excess
Outside Cart SL	21 days	7 days	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
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Average Response	17 days	5 days	D : 15 D : /25
Service Rate	\$22.80	\$32.80	Requires More Equipment/ Manpower
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Fund Balance	\$4.200.220		Conceilon up to 6 C1 Each week
Transfer	\$4,390,339		

Options Comparison

Service Level and Budget	Everything in Cart	Scheduled Curbside Collection	Monthly Curbside Collection	Weekly Curbside Collection
Curbside Collection	Collection Day	4 times/yr	Once/Month	Collection Day
Monthly Service Rate	\$22.80	\$25.05	\$28.05	\$32.80
Net Change	0	\$2.25	\$5.25	\$10.00
Service Level	7	10	10	7
Drop Off Center	Yes	Yes	No	No

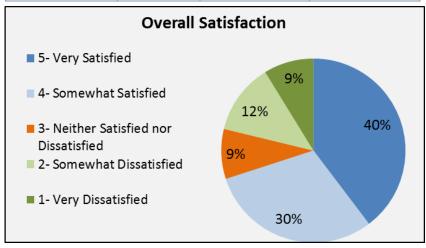
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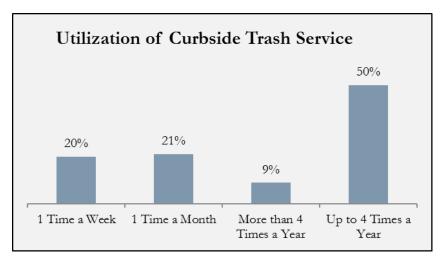
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City Wide Response

District	Total Mailed	Responses	Response Rate
01	1,604	183	11%
02	1,690	296	18%
03	1,417	114	8%
04	1,870	137	7%
05	2,157	243	11%
06	1,663	149	9%
07	1,470	94	6%
Overall	11,872	1,216	10%





Summary

11,872 Surveys Mailed10 % Overall Response31% Willing to Pay More

Customer Suggestions:

Make those who create more waste pay for excess.

Charge the Landlords!

Customer Concerns

Overall good service, just need a bit quicker on solid waste outside the cans!

After collection, sticks and stuff are left and looks a mess.

Have had trash on the curb for 8 weeks on one occasion. We would be willing to pay more if it's done right.

Praise

My service people have always been good to me!

When I call for pick-up the people are always very nice.

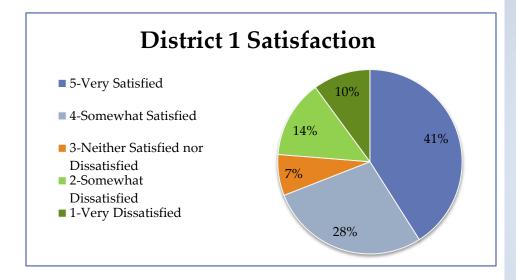
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District 1:

- 70% of all customers who responded are satisfied with their solid waste collection services (rated 4 or 5).
- **31**% of all respondents in District 1 are willing to pay more for timely services.
- The average number of days curbside trash is left out is 14 days.

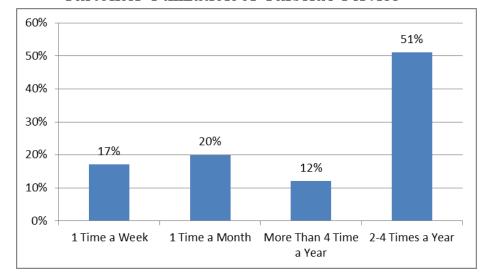


Comments

"My service people have always been good to me!"

"Once I communicated to the city my trash was picked up the next day"

Customer Utilization of Curbside Service



"The waste collection service workers are doing a good job. Keep up the good work. Stay safe."

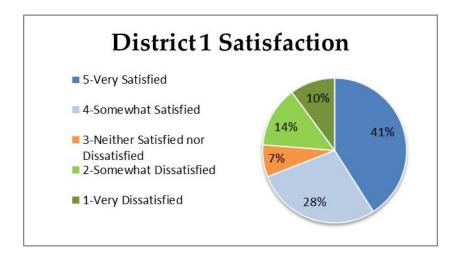
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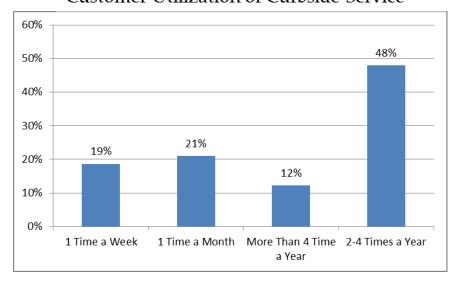
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District 2:

- **50**% of all customers who responded are satisfied with their solid waste collection services (rated 4 or 5).
- **25**% of respondents in District 2 are willing to pay more for timely services
- The average number of days curbside trash is left out is 17 days.



Customer Utilization of Curbside Service



Comments

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"Very good crew on my route, friendly and helpful!!"

"Overall, good service! Just need a bit quicker on solid waste outside the cans!"

"They aren't doing a good job now. Why would I pay more? The cans are all broken and left in the streets. Bad service"

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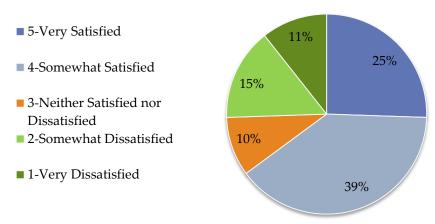
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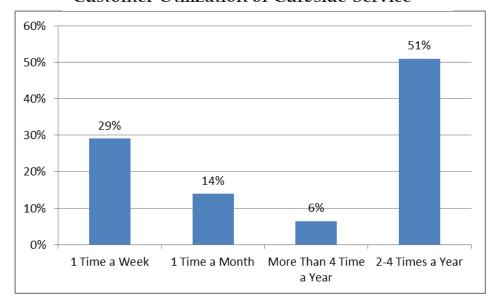
District 3:

- **64**% of all customers who responded are satisfied with their solid waste collection services (rated 4 or 5).
- 21% of respondents in district 3 are willing to pay more for timely services.
- The average number of days curbside trash is left out on the curb is **13 days**.

District 3- Satisfaction



Customer Utilization of Curbside Service



Comments

"Although sometimes I have had to wait a long time for trash pickup, I am still very satisfied with solid waste collection. I will pay whatever so that workers will be compensated for the great work that they do"

"Thanks for asking! We appreciate your service!"

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District 4:

- 81% of all customers who responded are satisfied with their solid waste collection services (rated 4 or 5).
- **24**% of respondents in District 4 are willing to pay more for timely services.
- The average number of days curbside trash is left out on the curb is **12 days**.

Satisfaction Results- District 4

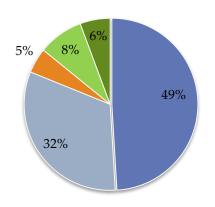
■ 5-Very Satisfied

4-Somewhat Satisfied

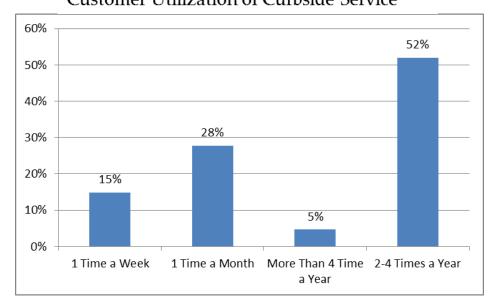
3-Neither Satisfied nor Dissatisfied

2-Somewhat Dissatisfied

■ 1-Very Dissatisfied



Customer Utilization of Curbside Service



Comments

"I am happy with the service and the employees who work so hard to make a living and do so politely"

"Don't mind paying if it is timely and if they could pick-up tires and paint cans"

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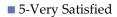
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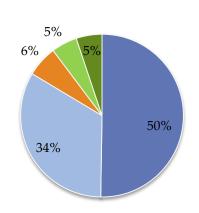
District 5:

- 84% of all customers who responded are satisfied with their solid waste collection services (rated 4 or 5).
- 36% of respondents in District 5 are willing to pay more for timely services.
- The average number of days curbside trash is left out is 12 days.

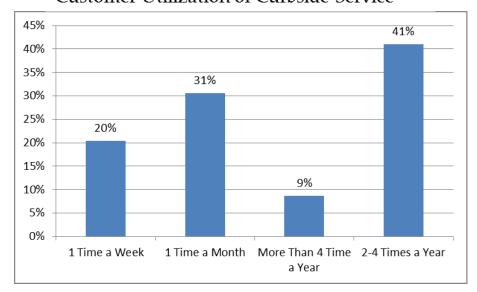
Satisfaction Results- District 5



- 4-Somewhat Satisfied
- 3-Neither Satisfied nor Dissatisfied
- 2-Somewhat Dissatisfied
- 1-Very Dissatisfied



Customer Utilization of Curbside Service



Comments

"Yard waste is what is slow. Solid waste services are very good."

"Service has improved but need to make sure improvements stay in place before spending more money."

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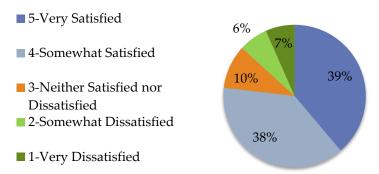
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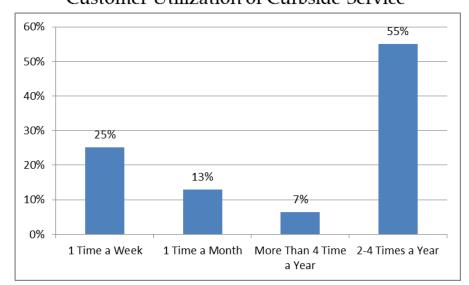
District 6:

- 77% of all customers who responded are satisfied with their solid waste collection services (rated 4 or 5).
- **36**% of respondents in District 6 are willing to pay more for timely services.
- The average number of days curbside trash is left out is
 10 days.

Satisfaction-District 6



Customer Utilization of Curbside Service



Comments

"My trash has always been picked up in a timely manner."

"I'm not asking for more timely service, just asking for it to be done right. When there is debris placed on the curb the sanitation worker always leaves a lot of sticks & stuff there looking a mess."

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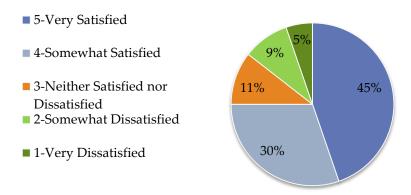
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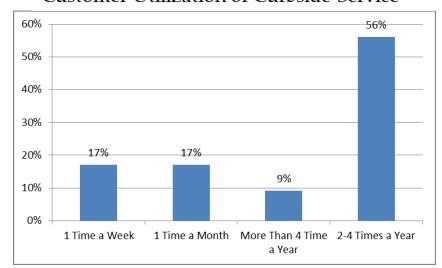
District 7:

- 75% of all customers who responded are satisfied with their solid waste collection services (rated 4 or 5).
- 28% of respondents in District 7 are willing to pay more for timely services.
- The average number of days curbside trash is left out is 13 days.

Satisfaction Results- District 7



Customer Utilization of Curbside Service



Comments

"Very pleased with current service!"

"Make those who create more waste pay for excess."

"The people who pick up my trash are the best and deserve to be paid well."

