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**TO:** Multifamily and commercial property managers  
**FROM:** City of Ann Arbor Public Services/Solid Waste and Recycle Ann Arbor  
**SUBJECT:** **Requirements for safe access to waste and recycling bins following ice and snow storms**

**The following is a seasonal reminder to keep dumpsters, recycling carts, trash carts, and recycling bins unburied from snow banks, clear of ice, and accessible to service drivers.** The trucks and service drivers require safe access throughout winter weather in order to reach your recycling and waste locations.

- If the collection site is normally a dumpster location at the rear of the property, either in a parking lot or at the end of a driveway, please remind your plow service to provide a clear access on driveways for trucks to access the normal solid waste collection area. Also remind plows to avoid piling snow and burying dumpsters and carts, thereby blocking access.
- If the normal collection site is curbside for recycling and refuse carts, please place containers in a clear street or driveway by 7 a.m. on your weekly collection day. Or shovel a shelf into the snow bank, no higher than one inch from the ground to provide for stability and safe lifting.
- If icy, please treat the paths to the recycling and refuse carts appropriately to maintain safe access for your tenants and service drivers.

E-mail updates are available on topics of specific interest to you. The City of Ann Arbor is using GovDelivery software to provide free subscriptions to more than 30 topics within the city's Web site. Subscribers receive e-mail notifications when new information is available on the Web. Please visit [www.a2gov.org/recycle](http://www.a2gov.org/recycle) for a link to a specific update for property managers. Other topics that may also be of interest through GovDelivery include recycling updates, road closures, and the location of street snow plows during heavy snow events posted at [www.a2gov.org/snow](http://www.a2gov.org/snow).

Please direct comments and questions to: [customerservice@a2gov.org](mailto:customerservice@a2gov.org) or (734) 994-2807. For questions about your recycling service or recycling pick-up, please contact Recycle Ann Arbor, the City of Ann Arbor's nonprofit recycling partner, at [info@recycleannarbor.org](mailto:info@recycleannarbor.org) or (734)662-6288.

Thank you, and best wishes for a safe and healthy winter season!