

"We Have  
Tomorrow —  
Bright Before  
Us, Like A  
Flame."

Langston Hughes



# City of Lawrence

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Where to go to find out about the city's snow operations & progress

It's snow season! During snow operations, residents can set their browsers to [www.lawrenceks.org/snow](http://www.lawrenceks.org/snow) to receive the latest information on snow plowing, salting, city closures and other information. The website will provide a listing of current press releases, contact information, citizen responsibilities and snow-related resources.

The snow operations map will only be utilized when crews are in full snow operations mode; crews may pre-treat areas if slick road conditions are predicted but the map will be most helpful when accumulation or major winter weather is predicted or occurring. Full snow operations go into effect at a depth of one-inch.

During snow operations, Public Works staff will be responsible for monitoring areas that have been addressed and updating the snow map. The operations map will provide citizens with general information on where trucks are operating, where streets have been plowed, sanded or salted, and the ability to review traffic cameras at major intersections to see how traffic is flowing during snow operations.



## Understanding the City's Sidewalk Ordinance

### What is the property owner's responsibility?

According to the City Code 16-115, Lawrence property owners must keep the sidewalks adjacent to their property clear of snow and ice within 48 hours of a winter storm. This ordinance applies to all public sidewalks in the city limits. The city's snow ordinance was revised in 2008 to strengthen the policy related to property owner responsibilities.

### What are the consequences of not clearing your sidewalks?

If property owners fail to comply with the ordinance, a citation will be written. Fines for not clearing sidewalks are \$20 for each day the violation occurs, plus court costs, if found guilty of the violation. This ordinance is in place to make public sidewalks safe for pedestrians. For more information on the snow and ice removal ordinance, contact Development Services at (785) 832-7700 or visit [www.lawrenceks.org/snow](http://www.lawrenceks.org/snow).

## NOTIFY!

Sign Up to Receive Text or E-Mail Alerts for your Trash, Yard Waste & Recycling Collections!



Is your New Year's resolution to stop forgetting your trash and recycling collection days? The city's Solid Waste Division has you covered!

Sign up to receive text or email alerts from Notify! — the notification system that will remind you about trash, recycling, and yard waste collection, as well as holiday route changes.

You can view and download your service calendar for the year, change your settings and opt out at any time. Sign up at [notify.lawrenceks.org](http://notify.lawrenceks.org) today!

## Stay Connected!

Sign up for city news, meeting agendas and other notifications at [www.lawrenceks.org/subscriptions](http://www.lawrenceks.org/subscriptions).

Or, follow us on Facebook, YouTube or Twitter.



## RECYCLING REMINDER



### Junk Mail



Junk mail includes unwanted credit card offers, catalogues and flyers. Recycle the mail you receive in your blue recycling cart and take steps to substantially reduce the amount of junk mail you receive this year. *Note:* Envelopes with small plastic windows are recyclable and can go in the blue recycling cart.

Not receiving mail that you do not want is even better than recycling. Take the following steps to reduce the amount of unwanted mail you receive.

- Sign up for e-statements or e-bills. Most utilities, phone companies, banks and credit card companies offer a way to receive statements and bills by e-mail.
- Opt out of mailing lists. The nation's major consumer credit bureaus offer a way to remove your name from pre-approved credit card offers. Opt out online at [www.optoutprescreen.com](http://www.optoutprescreen.com) or by calling 1-888-5-OPTOUT.
- Request mail to stop from specific sources. Contact companies and organizations directly to stop receiving mail from specific sources.
- Control your exposure. Think about how often you give out your contact information. Remember to add a privacy statement to anything you put your name on asking not to be added to their mailing list.

[www.LawrenceRecycles.org](http://www.LawrenceRecycles.org)

## Parks & Recreation Offers Many Ways to Reach Your Fitness Goals

It's that time of year again. The time when people look to the New Year and assess where they are in many aspects of their lives.

One of the biggest things people focus on during their review is the snugness of their clothes and just how much of an indulgence they took with holiday goodies. In their review, they often set unrealistic expectations of losing weight and getting fit. With the resolution set, they begin the New Year and are quick to start working on their goal only to find themselves slipping back into their previous habits and inactivity, ending their quest before it really even gets started.

If you are someone who wants to begin living a healthy, active lifestyle in the New Year, let Lawrence Parks and Recreation assist you in creating a resolution you'll be able to sustain well beyond the first two weeks of the New Year. LPRD offers a variety of fitness classes at varying levels of intensity, meeting one or multiple days a week to help guide you to living an active lifestyle. Classes begin shortly after the first of the year, so don't delay in getting signed up. Go to [www.lprd.org](http://www.lprd.org) to find out what is being offered, enroll in a class and celebrate the New Year by living a healthy, active lifestyle with LPRD!



## 2016 Trash & Recycling Holiday Schedule



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### New Year's Day – Jan. 1

Friday residential trash and recycling routes delayed by one day. Friday collection occurs on Saturday.

### Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Jan. 18

No change.

### Presidents' Day – Feb. 15

No change.

### Memorial Day – May 30

There will be no yard waste collection.

### Independence Day – July 4

There will be no yard waste collection.

### Labor Day – Sept. 5

There will be no yard waste collection.

### Thanksgiving Day – Nov. 24

Thursday residential customers living north of 23rd Street/Clinton Parkway will have their trash and recycling picked up on Tuesday, Nov. 22 and those living south of 23rd Street/Clinton Parkway will have their trash and recycling picked up on Wednesday, Nov. 23. For recycling routes, only customers who live west of Kasold Drive will be affected.

### Day After Thanksgiving

Nov. 25

No change. Friday collection occurs on Friday.

### Christmas Day

Observed on Dec. 26

No change.

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