

RESIDENTIAL SOLID WASTE FUND

The Residential Solid Waste Fund was established in 1981, after the Village Board decided to contract with one hauler for single scavenger service for the entire community, in place of each property owner making their separate trash collection arrangements with different trash collectors. It identifies the cost of providing once-a-week solid waste collection and disposal services to the approximately 7,100 single family residences in Glen Ellyn (The Village trash contract does not include commercial or multi-family housing units). The Solid Waste Fund is a stand-alone enterprise fund which means that adequate revenues must be produced through direct billing to users (via the monthly Village water/sanitary sewer bill) and through other revenues, such as the sale of recyclable materials, to cover the cost of this service. The three-year service contract with BFI Waste Services expired on July 31, 2004 and was extended for one year to July 31, 2005. Village staff working with the volunteer Environmental Commission completed a request for proposal process in the spring of 2005 and the Village Board awarded a new, 5-year service contract to BFI on May 9, 2005 for services to begin on August 1, 2005.

This Fund also handles the financing for the once-a-month parkway, no-sticker, brush and limb removal during May through October. Collections total about 4,000 cubic yards during these six months, and is financed by a monthly charge of \$1.75 per house on the Village utility bill.

The Village Manager's Office is primarily responsible for the oversight of this Fund, while the billing and collection function is handled through the Finance Department.

The Residential Solid Waste Fund covers some of the activities of the Environmental Commission, an advisory body to the Village Board. The Environmental Commission provides advice to the Village regarding issues such as refuse collection and environmental preservation, as well as overseeing certain activities such as recycling events and the annual Prairie Path clean-up.

Plans in process for the 2005 "spring cleanup" activities include the:

- a. April 4, 2005 -- Seasonal start of stickered weekly yard waste collection through November.
- b. April 23, 2005 -- Annual Prairie Path Cleanup Event and Recycling "Extravaganza" at the Village Duane-Lorraine commuter parking lot.
- c. Mid-May, 2005 -- Beginning of unlimited, no-sticker, parkway brush and limb collection, once per month May - October, 2005.