### Be Careful What You Throw in Your Green Cart

The Town of Ponoka is asking residents to please take extra care to place **only accepted compostable items** in your green cart before rolling it to the curb on your scheduled waste collection day.

Whenever non-compostable items are placed in a green cart – even if it's just a single plastic bag – it contaminates the whole truckload of compostable waste. That truckload then gets rejected at the compost site and has to be sent to the landfill – instead of being turned into compost. Placing only accepted compostable items in your green cart helps divert more waste from the landfill and helps protect the environment.

Rejected truckloads of contaminated compost also result in extra costs for transportation and tipping fees at the landfill. Those extra costs eventually get passed down to residents.

For a complete list of items that are 'accepted' and 'not accepted' in your green cart, please visit the Town of Ponoka website at www.ponoka.ca/p/green-carts.

Green carts are emptied every second week (biweekly) from November 1 to April 30, and weekly from May 1 to October 31.

For more information about the curbside collection program, please visit www.ponoka.ca/p/green-carts.

## What Goes in My Green Cart?



#### Meat

Bones (no animal carcasses, with the exception of poultry)

Vegetable and fruit waste Dairy products and eggs

Baked goods

Sauces and spreads

Paper coffee filters, grounds and tea bags

Pet food, waste and cat litter (loose or in certified compostable bags)

Newspaper and paper bags

Yard waste (including leaves, grass clippings, pulled weeds, branches less than three feet in length and one inch in diameter, etc.)

#### TOWN FACILITY HOURS FOR EASTER

All Town of Ponoka facilities including the Ponoka Aquaplex, Ponoka Arena Complex, Waste Transfer Station and the Town Office will be closed on Good Friday, April 7 and Easter Monday, April 10. Regular hours will resume Tuesday, April 11.



# Want to Receive Your Property Assessment and Tax Notice by Email?

Citizens can sign up by filling out an Email Authorization Form, which can be completed:

- By visiting the Town of Ponoka website at www.ponoka.ca/p/receiving-your-assessment-and-tax-notice
- By contacting the Tax Clerk at taxes@ponoka.ca or calling 403-783-0127 to have an electronic copy of the form emailed to you; or
- In-person at the Town Office at the Ponoka Civic Centre (200, 5604 50 Street).

Those who don't sign up will continue to receive a paper copy of their assessment and tax notice by mail.

For more information, please visit the Town website at www.ponoka.ca/p/property-taxes

#### ~ TOWN NEWS ~

- Aquaplex Booked on March 23 for Ponoka Pool Sharks Swim-a-Thon On Thursday, March 23, the Aquaplex will be temporarily closed from 4 to 6 p.m. for the Ponoka Pool Sharks Swim-a-Thon. Please note that the Aquaplex pool temperatures will be lowered for a couple of days prior and after to accommodate the Ponoka Pool Sharks Swim-a-Thon event.
- Aquaplex Spring Break Schedule From March 27 31, the Ponoka Aquaplex will run on a modified schedule to offer more opportunities for public swimming and lessons during Spring Break. To view the Spring Break schedule, please visit the Town of Ponoka website at www.ponoka.ca/p/aquaplex
- Visit the Town of Ponoka's Trade Show Booth Come and visit us at the Annual Ponoka Trade Show at the Ponoka Arena Complex (4410 54 Street) on Friday, April 14 from 3 to 8 p.m. and Saturday, April 15 from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- Recently Issued Development Permits To view a list of the most recent development permits, please visit the Town's website at www.ponoka.ca/p/development-permits-and-decisions-issued
- **Grey Carts and Green Carts** should be placed at the curb for pick up on March 22, 23 and 24 depending on your Zone.
- Recyclable Materials bundled in clear or blue transparent plastic bags should be placed at the curb for pick up on March 29, 30 and 31 depending on what Zone you live in.
- Missed Pickups If your curbside recycling, compost (green cart) or waste (grey cart) was not picked up on your designated collection day, please contact E360S dispatch at 403-341-9300 or by email at rddispatch@e360s.ca. For more information on the curbside waste collection program, please visit the Town website at www.ponoka.ca/p/waste-management or call the Town office at 403-783-4431.

### ~ UPCOMING COUNCIL MEETINGS ~

- Next TOWN COUNCIL MEETING: Tuesday, March 28 at 6 p.m.
- Next PRIORITIES AND INITIATIVES COMMITTEE MEETING: Thursday, March 23 at 6 p.m.
- The public is welcome to attend all Regular Council and Council Committee meetings. Meetings will be held in Town Council Chambers on the third floor of the Ponoka Civic Centre (5604 50 Street).



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