



Changes to your Solid Waste Fees



The City of Ottawa has changed how each residential property is charged for its Solid Waste Service.

In previous years, solid waste fees were billed through two separate charges – one was included in the citywide tax rate charged to all properties, and the other was a flat fee charged to each residential unit. This year, you will see everything is **billed as one flat fee, with the seven per cent budget increase applied**. Starting in 2025, all residential properties will pay one fixed annual fee per residential unit, regardless of their property assessment value, based on one of the collection types below.

NEW 2025 Solid Waste Fee

\$243

Curbside service fee per residential unit

\$167

Multi-residential containerized (bin) service fee per residential unit

Impact to Average Residential Property

2024 Solid Waste Fee



\$145 Solid Waste Fee, included as Special Charge on FRONT of tax bill



\$56* Waste Diversion levy, included in citywide tax levy, identified on BACK of tax bill

*2024 waste diversion levy for average residential property assessed at \$415,000

\$201 total for Solid Waste

Policy and Budget Changes



\$26 previously contributed by non-residential properties through the citywide tax rate



\$16 – 7% budget increase

\$42 total 2025 increase

2025 Solid Waste Fee



\$243 Solid Waste Fee, included as Special Charge on FRONT of tax bill

\$243 total for Solid Waste

Why the change?

- Ensures all residents contribute equally to solid waste services, regardless of housing type or assessment value.
- Policy changes to recover costs from only properties that benefit from solid waste services and exclude those that don't.

What does the fee cover?

The flat fee funds a comprehensive range of services, including:

- Bi-Weekly garbage collection
- Weekly green bin collection
- Leaf and yard waste collection
- Waste diversion and processing at City facilities
- Continued investments in waste reduction initiatives

Impact on residents

This change is an integral part of Ottawa's long-term waste strategy, ensuring sustainable, cost-effective, and environmentally responsible waste management for all residents.

All properties will see a change to their solid waste fee. These fees will now be more transparent and provide consistency in billing for each property.

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