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## **Snow Impacting Solid Waste and Recycling Collection**

DUBUQUE, Iowa – The near-record build-up of snow along Dubuque’s streets this winter is making it difficult for the curbside collection of refuse and recycling. Collection crews are unable to safely or efficiently collect materials set atop snow piles or on sidewalks behind the plow “windrows.”

As a result, the City of Dubuque is asking its refuse and recycling collection customers to set their bags, bins, and cans on the street side of the plow windrows and snow piles in front of their homes.

Resource Management Coordinator Paul Schultz recommends notching out a space on the street side of the windrow or, on some streets, placing the containers in the parking lane and removing the emptied containers immediately after collection as another option. “We realize this creates extra work for our customers and we appreciate their cooperation,” said Schultz. “Placing collection materials at ‘ground level’ increases our efficiency and helps protect our staff from injury.”

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