



Below is important news you can use from the City of Buckeye Public Works Department.
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Thank you for helping to make Buckeye one of the best cities in Arizona.

1. City Event: **Spring Cleanup Event**

Have Bulk Trash?

Want to get involved with your community?

Come on out to our [Spring Cleanup Event!](#)

When: **Saturday, March 19, from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.**

Where: **530 E Monroe Ave, Buckeye (City Hall)**

The City of Buckeye in conjunction with Republic Services, is hosting a Spring Cleanup event.

If you have **bulk trash** and do not want to wait for the next quarter drop off, come on down to one of our dumpsters ([see flyer](#)) to drop off your bulk trash material. (no Tires or HHW please).

We are looking for **volunteers**, and we are happy to issue community service certificates to school children looking for community hours (A consenting adult must sign off on and participate with any minor who wishes to help). We are meeting at City Hall at 8:00 am, and will then move out to the downtown area to collect trash along the right of way. Come out to help make our city clean!

Please bring your own hats, gloves, and smiling faces. We would love to see you here!

2. **In Ground Trash Service Safety**

Did you know?

- If you live within the incorporated city limits, you **MUST** have a current solid waste account with the City
- A few communities have been developed with in ground trash cans.
- The homeowner is fully responsible for maintenance and repairs of the in ground

structure and the cans.

- Trash goes into can closest to the street.
- Recycling goes into can closest to the house.

Do's

- Put all trash in your can the night before collection
- Bag and securely tied all trash
- SHARPS - store needles in a rigid, leak-proof and puncture resistant container. Ensure lid is taped and container clearly labeled "SHARPS" before placing in the trash.
- Medication - prescription and over the counter (OTC) medications should be mixed with coffee grounds or other wet waste, and placed in a sealed container before placing in the cart.

Do not's

- Do not place bags on top of the trash lids - we need to keep the city varmint free.
- Do not dispose of hazardous material (paint, pesticides, cleaning products, automotive waste - dispose of as [hazardous waste](#)).
- Do not dispose of hot ashes/cinders or burning matter.
- Do not dispose of un-bagged loose sawdust, [flammable or volatile liquids](#).
- Do not dispose of tires or construction/demolition waste.

Thank you!

3. Bulk Trash Schedule

We have received a number of requests for the bulk trash schedule for the rest of the year. Thank you for your appreciate your patience.

The [Bulk Trash Schedule for 2016](#).

If you are not able to participate in our bulk trash quarterly collection, or our Spring Cleanup this weekend, do not forget the [Landfill on State Road 85](#).

4. Summer Car Tips from the City Fleet Department

Routine Scheduled Maintenance: The key is to follow manufactures' recommendations as outlined in your vehicle owner's manual or on line.

Oil Change: Oil is the lifeblood of your car. It keeps hardworking engine parts running clean, smooth and cool, change your oil and filter at regular intervals (as per your vehicle's recommendations). Recycle: If you change your own oil and oil filter, don't just throw the old oil and used filter in the garbage or dump the oil down the sewer drain. It can pollute local streams or end up in the groundwater. Many oil change places and auto parts stores accept used oil and filters at no cost.

Hoses & Belts: Check hoses for cracks, leaks and loose connections. Hoses should be firm, never soft. Hoses suffer from a slow deterioration process. The most vulnerable parts of the hose are those nearest to clamps where the hose connects to the radiator or the engine. Belts need to be visually checked for cracks and damage. Take note if the belt looks excessively slick or smooth.

Tires: One of the most overlooked parts of a car are its tires. But the truth is that an under-inflated, over-inflated, worn down or misaligned tire can be extremely dangerous, particularly in hot summer weather. Tire pressure changes with the rising temperatures and rising temperatures are both from the use of the vehicle and the surrounding air temperature. Consult your owner's manual, door jamb sticker or the sidewall of your tire to see what your

minimum and maximum tire pressures should be and inflate to that pressure that best fits the loading conditions of your vehicle. Check pressures when tires are cool. An under-inflated tire bulges outward and puts undo pressure on the sidewalls of the tire. With enough heat and pressure that tire eventually will blow (alligators on highways). An over-inflated tire, on the other hand, makes less contact with the road and can lead to hydroplaning in wet conditions. Use the penny trick to see if you still have enough tread on your tires. Stick a penny in the tread, and if Lincoln's head disappears, you're good (4/32nds). Don't forget about your spare! There's no point in having a spare tire if your spare is in worse condition than the rest. Make sure the spare is properly inflated and has ample tread depth.

Be safe this spring,
and please do your part to
Help Keep Buckeye Clean!

Please let us know how we may assist you further, and Happy St. Patrick's day!

Sincerely,

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