



# The Informer

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## Recycling Reminder

The switch to dual stream is complete and for the past few months our crews have continued to curbside sort while leaving notes in recycling bins not sorted properly in an attempt to get everyone accustomed to the new system. We would like to thank everyone for taking these extra steps and making this process go as smoothly as possible. The new system requires two containers. This additional container does not have to be purchased from the city however it must be of similar size & material and also have holes in the bottom to allow water to drain.

If you find that your recycling has not been picked up please check to make sure that it has been sorted properly Bin #1 Paper/Cardboard Bin#2 Aluminum, Plastics 1&2, and tin. (NO GLASS). Also remember there is a 24-hr drop off for all recyclable materials including a bin specifically marked for glass.

## City Rolling Totes

Currently, all residents within city limits pay \$13 a month for our refuse service while also paying for city refuse bags. The \$13 per month goes towards the equipment and manpower involved in running our refuse service while the sale of bags cover the charges the city incurs dumping tons of its refuse at the landfill transfer station. This system is the fairest to all residents as it allows you to pay as you throw and more closely control your refuse cost.



However, there has been an increasing number of residents expressing that they would like the option of rolling tote trash cans that do not require the purchase of city bags for our service. In response to this, the city is proposing to offer the **option** of a 65-gallon rolling tote garbage can for its refuse customers (On an **opt-in** basis). If someone chooses to opt-in to the proposed tote system, they would purchase the 65-gallon tote for a one-time \$50 cost (this is purchasing the tote at manufacturing cost) and on top of that the customer would pay \$12 a month (per tote) to cover the dumping fees normally covered by bag purchases. City bags will not be required for refuse placed inside the tote. The total monthly cost to tote users within city limits will then be \$25 (\$13 + \$12). The current truck already has a manual arm to dump the totes and still requires our crews to exit the truck, pull the tote over to the truck, and dump it.

**\*\*In order for the city to accurately order the correct number of totes we are asking that residents fill out the short form below and return it to City Hall.\*\***

Yes, I would be interested in purchasing a rolling tote for a one-time \$50.00 cost and reoccurring \$12.00/month fee in addition to my normal monthly refuse fee.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

(Optional) Email: \_\_\_\_\_



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**WAPAKONETA AND  
 AUGLAIZE COUNTY  
 TO GO  
 BLUE IN MAY**

LET'S BACK THE BLUE is a project originating in Auglaize County that strives to promote respect, appreciation, and support for all our law enforcement personnel. As citizens, if we devote ourselves to building bridges rather than mistrust between law enforcement and the communities they serve, we can strengthen positive bonds, allowing them to continue their mission of protect and serve.

During National Police Week, May 10-16, 2020, all of Auglaize County is encouraged to go BLUE, with blue lights, blue ribbons, flags, yard signs, T-shirts, and more, all of which will provide a true emotional boost to our men and women who serve us so well. This worthwhile endeavor will positively affect us all.

Be thinking of how you can take part. Mark your calendar for the 5K Run and Little Cop 1-Miler on May 9, beginning at the Fairgrounds, and for the Throwback Thursday at J. Marie's on May 14. Be watching Facebook for our posts and check out our website (both currently under construction) at [letsbacktheblue.org](http://letsbacktheblue.org). Whatever you decide to do, the most important goal is to encourage as many people as possible have a VISIBLE SIGN OF SUPPORT in their yards and businesses. Then, SPREAD THE WORD to your neighbors, friends, family, and church, no matter where they live. More information to follow!

Our law enforcement personnel have experienced a noticeable decline in respect over the last decade, making their job increasingly dangerous and demoralizing. Rather than sit back and do nothing to counteract this lack of respect, we as a community can come together to visibly support and appreciate those in law enforcement to turn the tide.

LET'S BACK THE BLUE invites YOU to join in the effort to lift up those who put their lives on the line for us day in and day out, especially during National Police Week.

LET'S BACK THE BLUE together!



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