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Our Neighborhood Cleanup Day will be in July this year. In our late June newsletter we'll give the date and plenty of time for you to prepare. Please keep this just within our neighborhood. (East Front's area is south of Douglas to Kellogg, west to I-35). Hope you and your family volunteer to help as many have done in the past.

Here's what you can do easily BEFORE our Cleanup Day:

- **"Refuse" or prevent.** Say no to unnecessary, non-recyclable items or those with lots of packaging. Take your reusable shopping bag into stores (to avoid throw-away single-use plastic bags)
- **Reduce:** Print on both sides of paper. Bring your own drink cup for coffee or drinks and turn down Styrofoam. All plastics are especially hard on our outsides. Buy few for only a few days so extra food doesn't rot in your fridge.
- **Reuse:** Use washable water bottles, food containers, rechargeable batteries, etc. *Ask our City to recycle yard debris!*
- **Recycle:** Ask your neighbor to share their recycling bin every two weeks (and pay for half of their cost). Most recycling in our area goes to a Hutchison warehouse that has a wondrous capacity to separate out your metals, glass, hard plastic, pizza boxes (even with cheese or tomato stains!), etc. If you want to drive yourself, go to Pro-Kansas Recycling, 725 E Clark, www.prokansasrecycling.org*
 Put furniture on your curb so someone who needs it will find it. Donate medical equipment to Medical Loan Closet*, 316-779-8989. His Helping Hands*, 316-838-8528 will pick up furniture; and also accept clothing, 1441 E 37th St N. Clothes and household items to Goodwill* (Oliver & Edgemoor); Assistance League* (Poplar & Douglas); and ReStore (Central and West) wichitahabitat.org/restore/.
- **Recover or repurpose:** Compose kitchen scraps into rich garden soil either in your own back yard or contract with Nudge,* www.nudgecompost.com, Bike Walk Wichita* will reuse your old t-shirts to sop up oil on bike parts, 325 St Francis and <https://bikewalkwichita.org/>.
- **Dispose:** Discarding is the lowest rung on the Waste Hierarchy. Take hazardous wastes such as paints and pesticides to 801 Stillwell, sedgwickcounty.org/media/64240/2023-06-24_hhw-flyer.pdf*. Electronics: Starkey*(except TVs) www.starkey.org/e-cycling/.
- *Official guidance to local recycling:* <https://www.sedgwickcounty.org/environment/recycling-guide/>.

What is the Waste Hierarchy?



***NOTE: PHONE OR CHECK WEBSITES FOR HOURS OF EACH OF THESE RESOURCES**

FUN THIS SUMMER

- General calendar with all of Parks & Recreation upcoming events: <https://www.wichita.gov/calendar.aspx?CID=78,90,14,74>
- Annual Summer Activity Camps: <https://www.wichita.gov/624/Summer-Activity-Camp>
- Evolve Guides, which include all events this summer at the Library, Parks & Rec, and CityArts, and are split by age ranges (tots & youth run from pgs 8-28): <https://www.wichita.gov/407/Evolve-Guides>
- Kids can ride city buses FREE: www.wichita.gov/1508/Summer-RIDEProgram
- Library programs for kids: <file:///C:/Users/Owner/AppData/Local/Microsoft/Windows/INetCache/Content.Outlook/66OSDGZI/Summer%20Reading%202025%20Program%20Calendar.pdf>.

Summer Reading Program



May 22-July 31
Read. Learn. Explore. Create.

8 Front Doors Challenge--Neighboring Movement

Get to know your immediate neighbors! Visit them for neighborliness and for safety:

KNOW YOUR NEIGHBOR

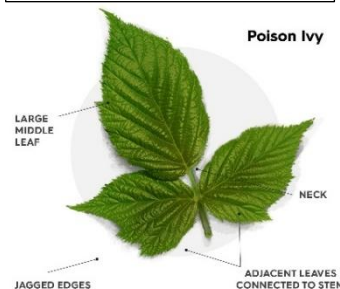


IN EACH BOX WRITE THE NAME AND
PHONE NUMBER OF YOUR NEIGHBORS WHO
LIVE IN THE 8 HOMES CLOSEST TO YOU

Make yourself familiar on your block so folks are aware you live close. Then reach out them with friendliness.

Kindness is catchy. Let's have a "front yard revolution"! **Plan for this now:** Neighborhood Night Out, Tuesday August 12. Check out East Front Neighborhood Association's page, facebook.com/groups/434949149233018

Look out for poison ivy:



Since the City isn't routinely sweeping street gutters now, consider cleaning yours to minimize mud and mosquitoes

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