



PO Box 1702 Bellingham WA 98227

May 1, 2025

Dear Valued Multi-Family Customer:

SSC appreciates the opportunity to provide you with garbage and recycling collection services. It has been four (4) years since our last general rate case. This notice is to inform you of a proposed increase in the garbage collection and recycling charge portion of your bill. SSC has filed a request for a change in commercial and multi-family garbage collection rates with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (UTC). If approved, the proposed rates will become effective June 1, 2025 and apply to all SSC commercial and multi-family customers in Bellingham and unincorporated Whatcom County.

It is our goal to provide customers with quality collection services at the lowest possible costs. Increased costs in labor, pension, health & welfare, payroll taxes, insurance, and the continued decline in recycling markets have made it necessary for us to request a rate adjustment. We also continue to acquire new assets (trucks and equipment, etc.) to ensure continued safe and efficient service.

Notice of Change in Multi-Family Garbage and Recycling Collection Rates: Proposed rates for the most common services are below. The proposed rate change for garbage services is approximately 4%, depending on your service and not all services are listed below. The proposed change for the recycling charge is approximately 56%. For additional information about this notice, please email info@ssc-inc.com or call (360) 734-3490 Monday-Friday, 8AM-5PM (closed 12-1PM for lunch).

Garbage Service <i>Weekly Collection</i>	Current Monthly Minimum	Proposed Monthly Minimum	Increase \$	Increase %	Recycling Service <i>EOW Collection</i>	Monthly Rate		Increase \$	Increase %
						Current	Proposed		
32-gal. Can *	\$ 15.72	\$ 16.35	\$ 0.63	4.0%	Recycling Charge				
60-gal. Toter ®	\$ 23.60	\$ 24.54	\$ 0.94	4.0%					
90-gal Toter ®	\$ 36.55	\$ 38.01	\$ 1.46	4.0%					
1-yard Container	\$ 92.26	\$ 95.95	\$ 3.69	4.0%	per 32 gallon	\$ 0.26	\$ 0.41	\$ 0.15	56.0%
1.5-yard Container	\$ 127.82	\$ 132.94	\$ 5.12	4.0%	per yard per pick-up	\$ 1.67	\$ 2.61	\$ 0.94	56.0%
2-yard Container	\$ 163.89	\$ 170.44	\$ 6.55	4.0%	Recycling Commodity Fee				
3-yard Container	\$ 234.98	\$ 244.38	\$ 9.40	4.0%					
4-yard Container	\$ 304.77	\$ 316.96	\$ 12.19	4.0%					
6-yard Container	\$ 441.81	\$ 459.48	\$ 17.67	4.0%	per 32 gallon	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.02	\$ -	0.0%
8-yard Container	\$ 569.38	\$ 592.16	\$ 22.78	4.0%	per yard per pick-up	\$ 0.10	\$ 0.10	\$ -	0.0%
* Customer supplied and maintained Garbage rates above do not include applicable taxes.					Recycling services are charged separately and are not taxed.				

To Comment: The UTC has the authority to set final rates that may be lower or higher than the company's request, depending on the results of its investigation. Commission staff will make a recommendation to UTC Commissioners at an open meeting scheduled for 9:30AM on May 22, 2025. This open meeting will be conducted in person at 621 Woodland Square Loop SE, Lacey, WA 98503. If you cannot attend in person, you have the option to listen or participate remotely. Call 360-664-1234 at least a day before the open meeting for instructions and to sign in. If you need reasonable accommodations to participate in this open meeting, please contact the Commission at 888-333-9882 or email at comments@utc.wa.gov. You may also comment by using the "Submit a Comment" feature and reference SSC at the UTC website: www.utc.wa.gov or the contact info below.

Washington Utilities & Transportation Commission (UTC) PO Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250 • Email: comments@utc.wa.gov • Phone: 1-888-333-WUTC (9882) • Website: www.utc.wa.gov

We are honored to serve you.

Sanitary Service Company, Inc. (SSC)