

# SolidWaste

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To: Solid Waste Agency Members & Associate Members  
From: Joe Horaney, Communications Director  
Date: November 20, 2025  
Subject: FY'27 Operating and Capital Budget

The Cedar Rapids Linn County Solid Waste Agency Board of Directors have placed the Agency's FY'27 operating and capital budget on file for public review. A copy of the budget is attached via email. A presentation about the budget can be viewed here: [https://youtu.be/npcE\\_Nn-0c8?si=Dnv7tYevXmH2\\_WLG](https://youtu.be/npcE_Nn-0c8?si=Dnv7tYevXmH2_WLG)

The new budget year will begin July 01, 2026.

The budget contains changes from the previous fiscal year, including increases in the garbage and yard waste tipping fees.

### **Rates and programs in FY'27 that will change include:**

Standard Landfill--\$53.00 per ton (increase of \$3/ton) – Minimum \$22

Special Wastes--\$85.00 per ton (increase of \$15/ton; minimum 1/ton charge)

Bulky Wastes--\$85.00 per ton (increase of \$5/ton; list of bulky waste available here: <https://www.solidwasteagency.org/garbage/restrictions>)

Box Truck and cargo van customers will be charged at least the 1-ton minimum (\$53.00) if they use the residential dumpsters instead of going to the landfill; loads taken to the landfill will pay the standard landfill tipping fee: \$53/ton, minimum \$22.

Double-axle trailers will be charged \$53/ton plus a \$50 convenience charge if they use the residential dumpsters, for a minimum charge of at least \$103. Double-axle trailer loads taken to the landfill will pay the standard landfill tipping fee: \$53/ton, minimum \$22.

Yard & Wood Waste--\$35.00 per ton (increase of \$3/ton) – Minimum \$15

Commercial Finished Compost--\$35.00 per ton (increase of \$3/ton)

Commercial Recycling--\$120.00 per ton (increase of \$5/ton)

Commercial Hazardous Materials Processing--Various rates depending on the material (5% increase)

**Rates and programs in FY'27 that will NOT change include:**

Appliances--\$10 per appliance

Garbage Flat Rate Charges for Cars/Minivans, Wagons, Crossovers, SUVs/Pickup Trucks

- Cars \$12/vehicle
- SUVs, Crossovers, Wagons, Minivans \$15/vehicle
- Pickup Trucks & Full-sized Vans \$22/vehicle

Finished compost for Linn County residents--No charge, no limit in personal residential sized vehicle (while supplies last). Double-axle trailers are considered commercial sized and will incur a fee.

Free drop-off of residential household hazardous materials for Linn County residents

Free drop-off of curbside-type recyclable materials for Linn County residents

Waste tires for Linn County residents:

- \$4 per tire off rim (up to eight (8) car, SUV, pickup, or minivan tires per visit)
- \$5 per tire on the rim (up to eight (8) car, SUV, pickup, or minivan tires per visit)
- Quantities over eight (8) car, SUV, pickup, or minivan will be weighed and charged \$0.15 per pound.
- All larger-sized tires (semi, tractor) will be weighed and charged \$0.15 per pound

Wood chips--No charge for residential customers (while supplies last)

All TVs and monitors, regardless of size and make (CRT, LED, LCD, plasma, etc.) \$15.00 per unit; loads with 5 or more TVs/monitors will be charged the bulk electronics fee, \$0.25 per pound for bulk loads of electronics

Free drop off for the following materials:

- Scrap Metal
- Residential Fluorescent Tubes
- Cardboard
- Residential Waste Oil (20 Gallon Maximum)
- Residential Batteries
- Glass
- Residential Medical Sharps & Syringes
- Textiles
- Books
- CDs, DVDs, VHS Tapes, Cassette Tapes