



## IMPORTANT CHANGES TO YOUR UTILITY BILL

Residential Recycling has been operating successfully in St. Petersburg for more than a year. In August 2015, a \$2.95 Residential Recycling fee was added to monthly utility bills, which already listed fees for Garbage Collection (\$14.38) and Garbage Disposal (\$7.95).

**Beginning November 1**, the city will combine the monthly Residential Recycling fee and the Garbage Collection fee so both services will appear as one fee. The monthly Garbage Disposal fee will remain as a separate item. The change is being made to improve efficiency in the city's billing process.

**It is important to note that your rate for Garbage Collection and Residential Recycling has not changed; the difference is that the two services now appear as a combined fee on your utility bill.**

The city is pleased with the recycling program's success rate. Last month, 64% of city residents put their recycling carts out for collection at least once a month. That's pretty impressive for a program that is a little more than a year old.

We invite you to learn more about the success of our recycling program with the monthly Recycling Scorecard, which details program revenue and savings, set-out rates, tonnage collected for garbage and recycling and drop-off site usage for the previous month. Recycling Scorecards may be viewed at [www.stpete.org/recycle](http://www.stpete.org/recycle).



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