

Automated Side-loader Truck



A Move Toward Greater Curbside Collection Operational Efficiency ASL Initiative at a Glance

The DeKalb County Sanitation Division is introducing automated side-loader collection trucks (ASLs) within its service area. The following provides an overview of this initiative.

Pilot program

- Began spring 2019
- Completed a residential route (800-1200 homes) within 7-8 hours using a single refuse driver collector, versus 10 hours using a three-person crew and rear-loader truck

Project implementation

- Begins late fall 2019
- Ongoing throughout 2020
- Garbage and recycling curbside collection only
- Changes to some residents' sanitation service day

Coverage area

- Unincorporated DeKalb and the cities of Brookhaven, Dunwoody, Lithonia, Pine Lake, Tucker, Stonecrest and Stone Mountain

Program benefits

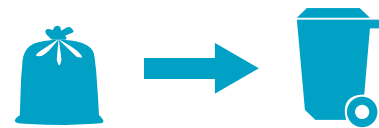
- Fuel cost savings
- Decreased labor costs
- Friendlier to the environment
- Reduced employee liability/injuries
- Optimized collection routing process
- Improved curbside servicing efficiency
- Serves an ever-increasing customer base

Public education

- Direct communication to residents
- Print, broadcast and online media communications
- Visit dekalbsanitation.com for more information

Curbside collection procedures

Place garbage in secure plastic bags prior to placement in the **green garbage roll cart**; place recyclable items loosely in the **blue recycling roll cart**.



Place roll carts and other items at the curb; roll cart handles must face your home and lid openings must face the street.



Place roll carts and other items as far away as possible from flower beds, mailboxes, or anything that could impede servicing; vehicles should not block the collection truck's service area.



Roll carts, excess bagged garbage, bulky items and other items placed at the curb should be 3 - 5 feet apart from each other.



Eliminate uncontainerized/excess curbside garbage with a 95-gallon garbage roll cart