City Plans for 2015 Student Move-Out

MORGANTOWN – The City of Morgantown is collaborating with local entities once again to prepare for this year’s WVU Student Move Out.

This time each year, the City prepares for the pilgrimage of WVU students from their apartments and houses back to their hometowns. This creates a much heavier workload for Republic Services and Public Works as they remove all the extra trash. To remedy the inevitable overflow of toters near residences, Republic and the City use the Student Move-Out Dumpster Program.

The Student Move-Out Dumpster Program is open to WVU students who pay residential rates for their regular weekly trash pickup. This cleanup is not for students living in commercial dwellings or for landlord use. Any landlord with dumpster service is not eligible for the Student Move-Out Dumpster Program. Violations of these guidelines are subject to a $500 fine.

Twelve dumpsters will be placed in the following locations on April 29 & 30:
- Grant Avenue
- Beverly Avenue
- McLane Avenue
- Willey Street
- Garrison Avenue
- Brockway Avenue

They will be removed starting May 11.

The City strongly recommends that graduating students dispose of their trash the week before graduation.

Students are asked to place all trash inside the dumpsters, not stacked up around it, as this could cause unsafe conditions and unnecessary delays in trash pick-up. If containers are full, Republic Services asks that students find another location or wait until the container is emptied.

Landlords are to make special arrangements for extra collections by calling Republic’s customer service dept. at 304-366-8000 or 800-696-3733. They will be charged accordingly for the extra service. If dumpsters or rolloff boxes in a Commercial Dwelling are full, please contact the property manager or landlord so they can arrange for the extra pick up.
Any trash left at a residence must be bagged and/or boxed and placed at the curb in order to be eligible for collection. If it is not at the curb, it will not be picked up.

There are restrictions on what can be thrown away in Republic dumpsters for Student Move-Out. Carpet, tree limbs, construction materials, car parts, batteries, TVs, computers, air conditioners, refrigerators (unless tagged by a certified technician that FREON has been removed), paints, tires, and other hazardous materials will not be accepted.

Electronics should be scheduled for curbside pickup by calling Republic Services at 304-366-8900 or 800-696-31733.

If students don’t want to throw perfectly usable items away, they are welcome to donate them to the WVU-United Way Blue & Gold Mine Sale, an annual rummage sale held to keep items out of landfills.

Donation stations, or “pods,” will be placed in these locations between May 4 and May 20 and will be open for donations between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m.:
- All WVU Residence Halls
- Seneca Center
- Chateau Royale
- Top of Falling Run Road
- Woodburn School – NEW

Donations can also be brought to the East Concourse of the WVU Stadium Monday through Friday between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m.

For the Blue & Gold Mine Sale, students are welcome to donate furniture, clothes, linens, bedding, rugs, lamps, desks, books, and much more, except for televisions or computer monitors.

The WVU Blue & Gold Mine Sale will be held May 23 from 7 a.m. to noon. Early bird admission before 8:30 a.m. is $5, or you can bring a bag and fill it with whatever will fit for $20. Admission is free after 8:30 a.m. All proceeds from the sale go to the United Way of Monongalia & Preston Counties.

If you have questions concerning move out procedures, contact a Republic Services Customer Service Representative at 304-366-8900 or morgantownwv@republicservices.com.

For more information about the Blue & Gold Mine sale, go to www.bluegoldmine.wvu.edu.

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