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I would love to see Carver County implement a curbside set-out day to allow residents to set out used items for reuse and then have them picked up for disposal a few days later. Perhaps one spring and one fall Friday-Sunday set out with Monday pickup?

Weekly recycling and organics pickup for ALL would be great, with clear instructions for residents and haulers as to what goes in organics. We had our organics pickup left behind because it had a paper egg carton in it, but our organics instructions state those are organic not recycles. Also, how to deal with things that are mixed - those waxed orange juice containers with the plastic pour and screw on cap, can we remove the plastic and put with organics since the whole thing isn't recyclable? I'd also support the switch to bi-weekly trash collection if we had weekly recycle/organic pickups.

Also, our HOA restricts placement of bins and says they cannot be left out on the driveway though many of our neighbors do this anyway. I would welcome a rule from the state saying the HOAs can't force us to put the garbage and recycle bins in the garage, allow them on top of the driveway. Things get very hot and stinky in the garage, which makes people want to try to put everything in plastic bags to reduce the smell in the hot months. This means we are just putting more things in the landfill. (And with the size of hail in storms we've been getting lately, I need the space in my garage for my car!)

Increase the Saturday hours of the Carver County Environmental Center - instead of closing at noon, stay open until 4pm, or even 2pm.

Offer an option to keep shredded paper out of the landfill. I understand it can't recycle because the pieces are too small and they get stuck in the machines, but there has to be some other option besides the landfill?

Thank you so much for taking the time to ask for and read these thoughts!