

SUSTAIN BROOKINGS

Each individual can make small changes in everyday life to make an impact on our carbon footprint.



WHAT IS SUSTAINABILITY?

Sustainability is the simple principle that everything we need for our survival and well-being depends either directly or indirectly on our natural environment. This principle creates and maintains the conditions under which humans and nature can exist in productive harmony, that permit fulfilling the social, economic and other requirements of present and future generations.

Sustainability ensures that we have and will continue to have the water, materials and resources to protect human health and our environment.

Defined by EPA [United States Environmental Protection Agency]

BROOKINGS SUSTAINABILITY CITY INITIATIVE

Mayor Tim Reed recognized a need in the Brookings community and established a city initiative to create a volunteer based committee to help educate and communicate the importance of living sustainably to make a difference in all of our futures.

The purpose of the Sustainability Council is to investigate, propose, educate, communicate, and advocate investment strategies and policies that will improve our future quality of life while still meeting the needs of the present.

This guide will help residents learn more about what resources are available in our area and how each individual can make small changes in everyday life to make an impact on our carbon footprint.

Due to commercial and market fluctuations, some information in this guide may change. If you have additions, corrections, questions or concerns, please contact City Hall at (605) 692-6281 or via email sustain@cityofbrookings.org.

SUSTAINABILITY COUNCIL

<http://cityofbrookings.org/>

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WHAT CAN BE RECYCLED?

According to US Environmental Protection Agency, approximately 75% of what goes into US landfills has the potential to be recycled.

The community of Brookings has a FREE curb side single stream recycling program. Single stream recycling means all recycling can be combined in the same bag or container. Pick up dates are Thursdays and Fridays. Contact the Landfill, (605) 693-3667, to find out which day your recycling is picked up.

! FOR ITEMS NOT LISTED OR
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
PLEASE REFERENCE
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RECYCLING INFORMATION

PAPER PRODUCTS

ACCEPTED

NOTE: Only clean, dry paper will be accepted. Do not bind, and remove all packing materials.

- Newspaper
- Office Paper
- Junk Mail
- Magazines
- Light Colored Paper
- Cardboard Boxes
- Corrugated Cardboard
- Phone Books

NOT ACCEPTED

- Paper Towels
- Sticky Notes
- Wax Paper
- Tissue Paper
- Wax Coated Cardboard
- Facial Tissues
- Bright Colored Paper
- Photographs
- Gift Wrap

ALUMINUM / STEEL / TIN PRODUCTS

ACCEPTED

NOTE: Please rinse cans and containers and remove labels. See page 17 in this guide for information on receiving cash refunds.

- Drink Cans
- Clean Tin Foil
- Food Cans
- Baking Trays

NOT ACCEPTED

- Batteries
- Herbicides
- Aerosols
- Contaminated Foil
- Pesticides
- Containers
- Paint Cans

PLASTIC PRODUCTS

ACCEPTED

NOTE: Please rinse bottles and containers and remove all labels.

- Soda and Water Bottles
- Milk Jugs
- Medicine Bottles
- Drinking Straws
- Egg Cartons
- Plastic Shopping Bags
- Plastic Food Wrap
- Vegetable Oil Bottles
- Squeezable Food Bottles
- Bread & Frozen Food Bags
- Bubble Wrap
- Some Food Containers
- Tupperware
- Cleaning Bottles
- Aerosol Caps
- CD Cases
- Aspirin Bottles

NOT ACCEPTED

- Lids
- Toys
- Styrofoam Products
- Antifreeze or Oil Containers
- Pesticide Caps
- Flower Pots

GLASS PRODUCTS

ACCEPTED

NOTE: Please rinse jars and bottles and remove labels.

- Clear
- Amber
- Green Glass

NOT ACCEPTED

- Fluorescent Light Bulbs

BUY GREEN...

LOOK FOR ELECTRONICS THAT:

Contain fewer toxic constituents.

Use recycled materials in the new product.

Are energy efficient (e.g. show the Energy Star label).

Are designed for easy upgrading or disassembly.

Use minimal packaging.
Offer leasing or take back options.

Meet performance criteria showing they are environmentally preferable.

LINKS

Computer/electronics recyclers:

Hewlett-Packard
Dell
Gateway
Sony

Buy/sell/exchange:

<http://electronics.exchangesystem.net>

EPA information for recycling cell phones and cell phone accessories:

www.epa.gov/cellphone/

Donate your cell phones/electronics to charity:

www.cellphonesforsoldiers.com
www.recellular.com
www.collectivegood.com
www.cristina.org
www.curerecycling.com (cell phones and printer cartridges)
www.grcrecycling.com

Recycle cell phones/electronics for cash:

www.cellforcash.com/
www.sellyourcell.com/

ELECTRONICS RECYCLING

WHY RECYCLE ELECTRONICS?

According to the EPA, electronic waste contributes 70% of the toxins found in landfills, while only contributing 1% of the volume of materials in landfills. Recycling electronics helps reduce pollution that would be generated while manufacturing a new product and the need to extract valuable and limited virgin resources. It also reduces the energy used in new product manufacturing.

ELECTRONIC WASTE RECYCLING

CITY SERVICES

The City of Brookings Regional Landfill offers an electronic waste drop-off site, located in the building on the south side of the parking lot. The following items are accepted:

- Cell phones ▪ Computers ▪ DVD players ▪ Microwaves ▪ Printers
- Stereos ▪ TV's ▪ VCR's

OTHER

Goodwill - Dell Reconnect Donation site is a free computer recycling program. Call (605) 692-2085 for more information. Free of charge, the local Goodwill store accepts:

- all brands of desktop computers ▪ computer peripherals (keyboards, mice, speakers) ▪ printers ▪ LCD monitors

Radioshack's trade-in program lets you turn in working electronics for store credit. If your electronic device has no trade-in value, Radioshack will recycle it responsibly for free.

(605) 692-7928 [HTTP://RADIOSHACK.CEXCHANGE.COM/ONLINE/HOME/INDEX.RAILS](http://RADIOSHACK.CEXCHANGE.COM/ONLINE/HOME/INDEX.RAILS)

- Cell Phones ▪ Computers ▪ Cameras ▪ Tablets ▪ Games
- Game Consoles & More ▪ HDTVs ▪ MP3 players ▪ Camcorders
- GPS ▪ Receivers ▪ Car Audio

Check with your trusted local electronics retailer, as many others do provide return/recycle services.

For a fee (\$0.70/pound), you may drop off cell phones, computers, televisions, monitors and other small electronics at Cook's Wastepaper & Recycling.



DISPOSAL OF SHARPS

(NEEDLES, SYRINGES, LANCETS, ETC.)

Sharps can pose a serious health risk to the public, garbage haulers, and city landfill and wastewater employees. Dangerous diseases such as HIV, AIDS and hepatitis can be spread when someone is pricked by a contaminated needle.

Sharps disposal containers can be purchased at any of your local pharmacies. Once you have a container, you can dispose of it at the pharmacy as well. Here are a few things to remember:

-  Put only needles, syringes, lancets and trans-dermal patches into the disposal container.
-  Do not use an unapproved container and do not add chlorine or bleach to the container.
-  Once full, tightly seal the lid prior to disposal at your pharmacy.
-  Give directly to the pharmacy attendant and receive a new container.

If you have to dispose of sharps in your garbage (as a last resort), you can use a sharps container or a heavy, opaque plastic bottle (for example, a bleach bottle). If you must use a household plastic bottle, your container must be:

-  Made of heavy duty plastic.
-  Able to close with a tight-fitting, puncture-proof lid, without sharps being able to come out.
-  Upright and stable during use.
-  Leak resistant.
-  Properly labeled.

If you must use a household plastic bottle, when it is $\frac{3}{4}$ full, screw the lid back on and securely tape it down.

Do not dispose of your sharps with your recycling. When it arrives at the sorting facility, there is a high potential for someone there to be pricked as they separate the paper, plastic, aluminum and glass.

Please put your sharps container with your regular garbage.



CAN BE PURCHASED LOCALLY

DISPOSAL OF UNUSED PRESCRIPTIONS

Traditional advice was to flush unused, unneeded, or expired medications down the drain. That advice has since changed for almost all prescription medications. When you flush prescriptions down the drain, they flow through your community's sanitary sewer system to a wastewater treatment plant, which then can be released into local waterways where it may harm fish and other wildlife if not completely removed during the water treatment process. A few small steps can make an important difference in safeguarding lives and protecting the environment.

Follow your medication prescriber's instructions and use all medications as instructed. If you do not use all of your prescribed or over-the-counter medication, you can take a few small steps to make a huge impact in safeguarding lives and protecting the environment by disposing of unused medicines properly.

Be proactive and dispose of unused medication. There are several ways to dispose of unused medications, but **DO NOT FLUSH** unused medications and **DO NOT POUR** them down a sink or drain.

The method that you use depends of if the substance is controlled or non-controlled:

DISPOSAL OF CONTROLLED MEDICATIONS

1. Dispose of any unused controlled medications as well as empty prescription bottles (to protect your privacy) at the Brookings Police Department at 307 3rd Avenue.
2. Participate in the DEA National Prescription Drug Take Back Day. Visit the **NATIONAL TAKE BACK INITIATIVE** site for more information. Brookings Police Department and the SDSU College of Pharmacy participate in the National Take Back Initiative. Check with them to find local drop off locations.

A list of controlled substances can be found on the FDA website.

DISPOSAL OF NON-CONTROLLED MEDICATIONS

1. Dispose of non-controlled and OTC medications in your household trash. When discarding unused medications, ensure you protect children and pets from potentially negative effects by following these steps:
 - a. Pour medication into a sealable plastic bag. If medication is a solid pill, liquid capsule, etc., add water to dissolve it.
 - b. Add kitty litter, sawdust, coffee grounds (or any material that mixes with the medication and makes it less appealing for pets and children to eat) to the plastic bag.
 - c. Seal the plastic bag and put it in the trash.
 - d. Remove and destroy ALL identifying personal information (prescription label) from all medication containers before recycling or throwing away.

And remember, always consult your pharmacist with questions.



Prescription disposal info adapted from WWW.SMARXTDISPOSAL.NET

YARD WASTE, BRANCHES & COMPOST MATERIAL

YARD WASTE

The City of Brookings Landfill picks up yard waste on a weekly schedule, Thursday or Friday, based on your recycling day. Materials accepted in yard waste bags include:

- ☀ Flowers and weeds
- ☀ Grass clippings
- ☀ Stalks
- ☀ Vines

NOTE - No trees or branches will be accepted in yard waste bags. Only yard waste bags with “Brookings Municipal Landfill” printed on them will be picked up. Please place the bags in your normal pick-up area and be careful to not overfill them. Yard waste bags maybe purchased at the following locations: Walmart, Hy-Vee Food Store, Hy-Vee Gas Station, Lewis Drug, Runnings Farm and Home, Lowes Home Improvement, Homestead Do-it Center and Gas ‘N Mor.

BRANCHES

The normal branch pick-up schedule is on Mondays or Tuesdays, based on your garbage day.

- 🟢 Branches must be less than 4 feet in length and 4 inches in diameter to be picked up on the Monday or Tuesday normal schedule.
- 🟢 Branches must be tied and bundled in manageable piles.
- 🟢 Do not place branches in the yard waste bags.

COMPOST MATERIAL

The City of Brookings Regional Landfill has compost available at no cost to the residents. The compost material is part of our yard waste program. The material is screened in the fall and can be used for flower beds, gardens and seeding of small areas of grass. The material can be mixed with black dirt when planting a whole yard.



LANDFILL

City of Brookings holds a Subtitle D Landfill Permit, which includes a compacted clay liner and Leachate Collection System with a stormwater pond and all required monitoring wells. The Brookings Landfill serves parts of six counties that include Brookings, Deuel, Hamlin, Kingsbury, Lake and Moody. The population for this area is 40,000 people.

HOURS OF OPERATION

Monday through Friday 7:30 am to 4:30 pm, and Saturday from 8:00 am to 11:45 am.

LUMBER & TREES

The landfill accepts clean lumber and trees. These are ground up for wood chips and hauled to Sioux Falls and burned at a local corn plant. If your lumber or wood has been treated with stain or any other chemical it needs to be dropped off in the household area.

TIRE DISPOSAL

The City of Brookings Regional Landfill accepts tires for disposal. The tires are recycled by New Deal Tire out of Groton, South Dakota.

METAL / APPLIANCE DISPOSAL

The City of Brookings Regional Landfill accepts metal for disposal. The metal is baled and recycled by S&S Tin Baling LLC from Harrison, Montana. Appliances with coolant/Freon must be placed in a separate area, so the contractor can remove all coolant/Freon. The customer is not required to remove the coolant/Freon from refrigerators or air conditioning units.

SCAVENGING

Scavenging is not allowed at the City of Brookings Regional Landfill. Once material has entered the gate it cannot be removed. This is a State of South Dakota requirement.

BROOKINGS LANDFILL

47352 30TH STREET
BROOKINGS, SD 57006

PH: (605) 693-3667

FX: (605) 693-3653



GARBAGE COLLECTION

SERVICE INFORMATION

The City of Brookings provides curb side pick-up for household garbage to the residents within the City limits. The City provides a 90-gallon green garbage collection cart for each home. If you are a new resident or are moving to a new home, please contact the Brookings Collection Department at (605) 693-3667 to request a cart.

HOURS OF OPERATION

Garbage collection hours of operation are: 6:30 am to 4:30 pm Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. Residents must have their garbage outside by 7:00 am.

FEES

Monthly garbage collection is \$17.50 per month plus 6% sales tax, for a total of \$18.55 per month. This is billed through Brookings Municipal Utilities. Additional carts may be requested at a cost of \$3.50 per month plus 6% sales tax, for a total of \$3.71 per month.

GREEN CART PLACEMENT

On garbage collection day, your cart should have 3 feet of clearance on each side and at least 1.5 feet in the back to allow the arms on the collection truck to grasp the cart without damaging property. Please do not place your cart by the mailbox, trees, parked vehicles, trailers, boats or other objects. If we do not have proper room, the cart will not be emptied. During the winter months, please try to keep a spot cleared on either side of your driveway to place the cart.

RELATED STATUTE: ORDINANCE 40-10

On the day garbage is collected from your premises the cart should be placed on the parkway or the boulevard adjoining the premises. All garbage carts placed on the parkway or boulevard on the day of collection shall be removed the same day.

MATERIALS ALLOWED IN GREEN GARBAGE COLLECTION CART

The garbage collection cart is for household garbage only. Do not place the following items in the cart:

- Car batteries
- Hot ashes
- Oil products
- Paint cans (unless empty)
- Tree trimmings
- Yard waste material

Please reference the [TABLE OF CONTENTS](#) for disposal or recycling information for these items.

CART ODOR CONTROL

The City of Brookings Collection Service suggests you place household garbage in a plastic bag first, rather than loose in the cart. This will help control the odor in your cart.

REUSABLE/RECYCLABLE RESOURCES FOR CLOTHING

BARGAINS ON MAIN

317 MAIN AVENUE
(605) 692-6551

Accepting seasonal clothing items, including leather jackets. Please call in advance.

COUNTRY PEDDLER

320 MAIN AVENUE
(605) 697-6292
WWW.COUNTRYPEDDLERBROOKINGS.COM

Clothing items are taken on consignment. Accepting women's clothing and some home decor elements, call in advance.

DOMESTIC ABUSE SHELTER

CALL FOR DROP-OFF TIMES AND LOCATION
(605) 692-7233

HOURS: 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Accepting seasonal clothing, including shoes, sandals, and boots, for women and children (including teenage boys) and many other kinds of items are accepted for reuse, including household items, furniture, silverware, tools (e.g., hammers, screwdrivers), and knick-knacks. Receipts are provided, with itemized lists for donors for tax purposes.



GOODWILL INDUSTRIES

CITY PLAZA
(605) 692-2085

**HOURS: MONDAY – FRIDAY, 9:00 AM – 9:00 PM
SATURDAY AND SUNDAY, 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM**

Clothing for adults (women & men), and children, including shoes and boots, are accepted. Donations are to be made at the store in the City Plaza.

TRENDZ CONSIGNMENT STUDIOS

314 MAIN AVENUE
(605) 697-7443

Seasonal clothing, shoes, and boots, are accepted on consignment for children (newborn to age 16) and young adults (college-age women and men).

YMCA, SIOUX FALLS

FREE PICK-UP OF DONATED ITEMS IN BROOKINGS
1-877-392-0873

A truck travels to Brookings every 4-to-6 weeks to pick up donations from your front door. Calls are made generally a week in advance to inquire whether a pick up of items is available. Clothing for children and adults, including shoes and boots, is accepted. All kinds of cloth items, such as curtains and bedspreads, (regardless of condition) are also accepted for recycling- none goes to the landfill! On occasion, small household goods are also accepted. The driver leaves a receipt for your use for tax purposes.

PARKS & RECREATION

The Recreation Department provides a wide range of youth and adult public recreational activities. City Recreation exists to provide opportunities for leisure time activities at an affordable cost, usually subsidized by public funds, which are not feasible or easily provided by the private sector. Programs have developed primarily through a process of request and interest.

Specific activities include, but are not limited to:

YOUTH – baseball/softball ▪ recreational swimming and instruction ▪ tennis and golf instruction
▪ basketball ▪ ice skating ▪ field trips ▪ specialized instruction (horsemanship, fishing, etc.)
▪ open gyms ▪ youth soccer ▪ ice hockey

ADULT – baseball/softball ▪ swimming ▪ golf ▪ tennis ▪ basketball ▪ volleyball ▪ ice skating ▪ open gyms

Go to WWW.CITYOFBROOKINGS.ORG for a full list of recreation programs, parks and opportunities!

BICYCLING

Flat terrain, bike trails and shared bike routes encourage residents to enjoy and take advantage of the many benefits of biking. [See map on next page.] Plans are being developed to extend bike trails and lanes in the community. The City of Brookings is committed to incentivizing bicycling and pedestrian activities by encouraging businesses to provide safe, accessible bicycle parking. Promoting bicycling and walking improves health and reduces obesity, therefore reducing health care costs. Bicycling also relieves parking congestion and reduces the community's carbon footprint by developing safe, reliable, and economical transportation choices to decrease household transportation costs, reduce our nation's dependence on foreign oil, improve air quality, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and promote public health.

Additional biking tips can be found at:

- WWW.501MAIN.COM
- WWW.BIKELEAGUE.ORG/RESOURCES/BETTER
- WWW.SAFEROUTESINFO.ORG

For information on biking safety in Brookings contact:

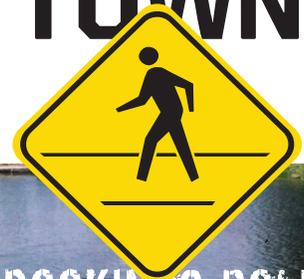
SIoux RIVER BICYCLES AND FITNESS

DOWNTOWN BROOKINGS
(605) 692-5022

Brookings Police Department offers the Safety Town Program every summer.

Contact for more information.

SAFETY TOWN



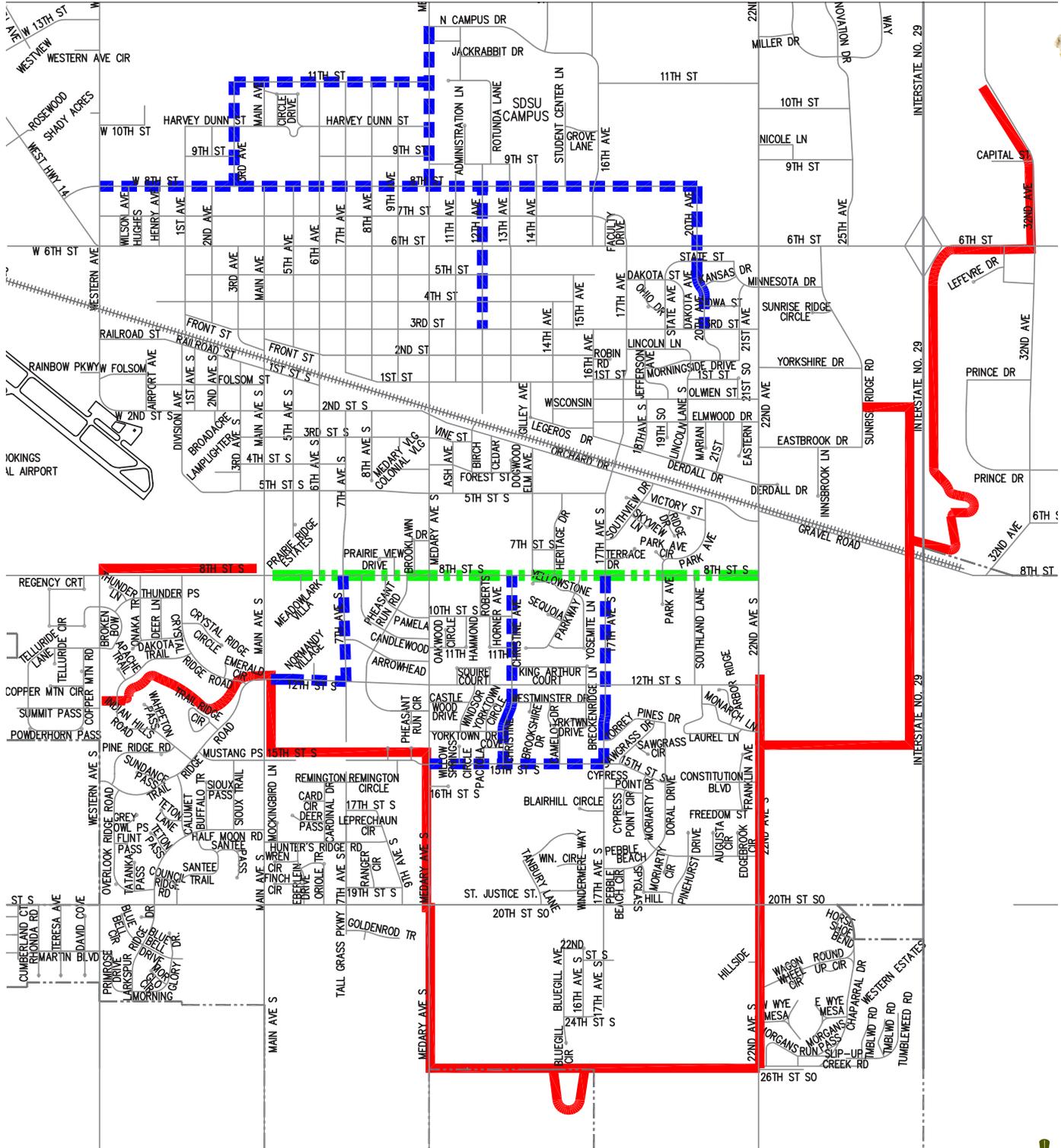
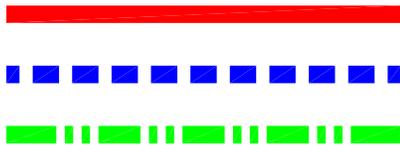
BROOKINGS POLICE DEPARTMENT

605) 692-2113



City of Brookings Bike Trail System

Bike Trail
Sharrows
Bike Lane



BROOKINGS LOCAL FOODS

Citizens of Brookings South Dakota have access to local foods through a variety of ways, including:

- Brookings Farmer's Markets
- South Dakota Local Foods Online Co-Op
- South Dakota Local Foods Directory
- Brookings Community Gardening



BROOKINGS FARMER'S MARKET

The Brookings Farmer's Market is a cooperative effort involving the City of Brookings, SDSU Extension, and more than a dozen dedicated local farmers and food producers. Locally grown and produced items include fresh produce, dairy and eggs, meat, honey, flowers, baked goods, crafts, and more for purchase.

The Brookings Farmer's Market is open for business from early May to late October, Wednesdays from 3:00pm to 6:00pm and Saturdays from 8:00am to Noon in the City Plaza parking lot on 6th Street. More details can be found at WWW.BROOKINGSFARMERSMARKET.COM

SOUTH DAKOTA LOCAL FOODS ONLINE CO-OP

South Dakota residents are able to access local foods year-round through the South Dakota Online Local Food Cooperative. More than 350 products are available for purchase. Membership is required. Details about membership, available products, pickup and delivery can be found on the website at WWW.DAKOTARURAL.ORG/EAT-LOCAL-FOODS/LOCAL-FOODS/

SOUTH DAKOTA LOCAL FOODS DIRECTORY

The South Dakota Local Foods Directory provides the consumer with a guide to eating locally. The Directory connects families to South Dakota farmers and producers who are growing fresh, wholesome locally grown vegetables, eggs, meats, grains and more. The Directory reaches a vast consumer base; over 20,000 copies of previous editions have been distributed!

Currently in its 5th installment, the next printed edition typically debuts around Earth Day each year, but is also accessible online at WWW.SDLOCALFOOD.ORG/INDEX.HTM

**BUY
LOCAL.**

COMMUNITY GARDENS

DOUGLAS CHITTICK COMMUNITY GARDENS

Each year the Brookings Parks and Recreation Department rents approximately 550 garden plots to Brookings residents. Plots are available for annual and perennial planting. They are available on a first-come, first-serve basis for new gardeners, but may be reserved year-to-year by those returning from the previous year. More than one plot may be reserved. The City Garden Plots are located at the northeast corner of Medary Avenue and Highway 14 Bypass intersection (south of the go-cart track).

Each plot measures 20 feet by 25 feet and is rented for \$25 per season. Plots are roto-tilled, fertilized, measured and numbered. There is an underground irrigation system, which is turned on when the Parks Department determines that the gardens are stressed. Additionally, there are hose bibs in each row, so gardeners can take out their own garden hose and water their own plot. Most gardeners prefer to water their own garden as the underground system is used sparingly.

DEADLINE FOR RESERVING – The previous year’s gardeners receive a letter in October informing them when they need to have their produce out of the gardens, so they can be plowed before it snows. In this letter, these gardeners are given until February 1 to reserve their plot for the next summer season. After February 1, any garden not reserved is made available to the general public for reservation.

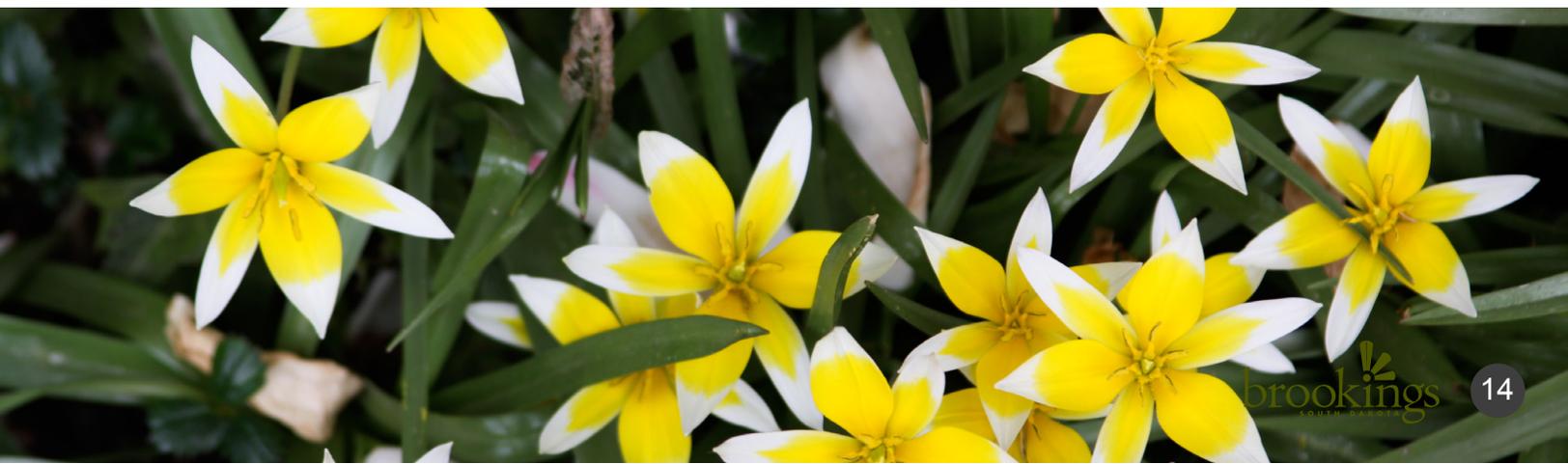
RESERVATION PROCEDURES – Returning Gardeners: Check to see if the plot is still available. A map of the previous year’s plots is available at the Parks and Recreation Office located at 520 3rd Street. If the previous year’s plot has been rented, pick another available plot. Name, address, plot number and payment are due at the time of the reservation.

RESERVATION PROCEDURES – New Gardeners: Visit the Parks and Recreation Office located at 520 3rd Street and select a plot from the garden map. You must supply your name and a mailing address. Pay the \$25 fee for the garden plot. When the gardens are ready for planting, a map with all gardeners listed with corresponding plot numbers and a list of rules will be mailed. Letters do not get mailed until the plots are ready for use in late April or May.

For more information:

PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

(605) 692-2708 WWW.CITYOFBROOKINGS.ORG



MISCELLANEOUS SPECIAL WASTE

COMPACT FLUORESCENT LIGHT BULBS (CFLS)

INTERESTING FACT | According to the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA), "Small amounts of mercury can be released into the environment when CFLs break, or if they are improperly disposed of at the end of their useful lives. Despite these emissions, the use of CFLs actually helps reduce total mercury emissions in the U.S. because of their significant energy savings. Using energy-savings CFLs reduces demand for electricity, which in turn reduces the amount of coal burned by power plants, which reduces emissions of mercury when the coal is burned."

LOCAL OPTIONS FOR RECYCLING CFLS

Lowes has a nationwide recycling program for CFLs.

LINKS FOR INFORMATION ON ADDITIONAL RECYCLING LOCATIONS

WWW.EARTH911.COM

WWW.DENR.SD.GOV/DES/WM/RECYCLE/RECYCLEBULBS.ASPX

SMALL LEAD ACID BATTERIES (NON-AUTOMOTIVE)

INTERESTING FACT | According to the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA), "Gel cells and sealed lead-acid batteries are commonly used to power industrial equipment, emergency lighting, and alarm systems. The same recycling process applies as with automotive batteries."

LOCAL OPTIONS FOR RECYCLING SMALL LEAD ACID BATTERIES

The following businesses will accept small lead acid batteries.
Please contact them to verify if there are any restrictions.

Automotive Service Center
Advance Auto Parts
Radio Shack
Einspahr Auto Plaza, Inc.
GP Auto

LINKS FOR INFORMATION ON ADDITIONAL RECYCLING LOCATIONS

WWW.EARTH911.COM

WWW.DENR.SD.GOV/DES/WM/RECYCLE/RECYCLEBATTERIES.ASPX

BATTERIES - HOUSEHOLD

Boxes are available at City Hall, 520 3rd Street, Suite 230 to recycle all batteries.

MISCELLANEOUS SPECIAL WASTE [CONTINUED]

RECHARGEABLE BATTERIES

Nickel-Cadmium (Ni-CD), Nickel Metal Hydride (Ni-MH), and Lithium Ion Batteries

INTERESTING FACT | According to the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA), “The U.S. Congress passed the Mercury-Containing and Rechargeable Battery Act in 1996 to make it easier for rechargeable battery and product manufactures to collect Ni-CD batteries and certain small sealed lead-acid batteries.”

LOCAL OPTIONS FOR RECYCLING NICKEL-CADMIUM (NI-CD) BATTERIES

Please contact them to verify if there are any restrictions.

Lowe's
Radio Shack
Integrated Business Solutions
Hometown Service
Interstate Battery (Arlington)

LOCAL OPTIONS FOR RECYCLING NICKEL-METAL HYDRIDE (NI-MH) BATTERIES

Please contact them to verify if there are any restrictions.

Lowe's
Radio Shack
Integrated Business Solutions

LOCAL OPTIONS FOR RECYCLING LITHIUM ION BATTERIES

Please contact them to verify if there are any restrictions.

Lowe's
Radio Shack
Integrated Business Solutions
Interstate Battery (Arlington)

LINKS FOR INFORMATION ON ADDITIONAL RECYCLING LOCATIONS

WWW.EARTH911.COM

WWW.DENR.SD.GOV/DES/WM/RECYCLE/RECYCLEBATTERIES.ASPX

ALKALINE AND ZINC-CARBON (COMMON HOUSEHOLD) BATTERIES

INTERESTING FACT | From the article, “Finding Value in Battery Recycling” written by Jennifer Berry on 11/22/2010. “While rechargeable batteries hold their value at their end of life, finding ways to extract valuable materials from single-use cells is a different story. Their materials are not as valuable, processing centers are far apart, and the most effective methods of extracting metals from the batteries are still being analyzed.”

MISCELLANEOUS SPECIAL WASTE [CONTINUED]

RECYCLING CONCRETE AND ASPHALT

INTERESTING FACT | According to the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA), asphalt, concrete, and rubble are often recycled into aggregate or new asphalt and concrete products.

LOCAL OPTIONS FOR RECYCLING CONCRETE AND ASPHALT

Bowes Construction, Inc. (asphalt)
GCC-Ready Mix, Inc. (concrete)

LINKS FOR INFORMATION ON ADDITIONAL RECYCLING LOCATIONS

WWW.DENR.SD.GOV/DES/WM/RECYCLE/RECYCLECONCRETE.ASPX

PAINT

INTERESTING FACT | According to the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA), “Approximately 10 percent of all paint purchased in the United States is not used (e.g., leftover from a paint project). This amounts to about 64 million gallons annually.”

LOCAL OPTIONS FOR RECYCLING PAINT

Habitat for Humanity ReStore (year around)
City of Brookings Regional Landfill Paint Exchange Program (normally held once a year in April; watch for ads in the Brookings Register or listen for ads on the Brookings Radio).

LINKS FOR INFORMATION ON ADDITIONAL RECYCLING LOCATIONS

WWW.EARTH911.COM

SCRAP METAL/IRON

INTERESTING FACT | The United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) describes obsolete scrap metal as “scrap which is composed of worn out metal or a metal product that has outlived its original use, such as automobile hulks, railroad cars, aluminum beverage cans, steel beams from torn down buildings, and household appliances.”

LOCAL OPTIONS FOR RECYCLING SCRAP METAL/IRON

Please contact them to verify what they are paying and check on any restrictions.

Wes’ Auto Salvage
Streich Salvage
Cook’s Wastepaper & Recycling
The City of Brookings Regional Landfill (charges \$44/ton; except during Spring Cleanup)

LINKS FOR INFORMATION ON ADDITIONAL RECYCLING LOCATIONS

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MISCELLANEOUS SPECIAL WASTE [CONTINUED]

ALUMINUM CANS

INTERESTING FACT | According to the United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA), “Aluminum can recycling saves 95% of the energy needed to make aluminum from bauxite ore.”

LOCAL OPTIONS FOR RECYCLING ALUMINUM CANS

The City of Brookings Curbside Recycling Program
Cook’s Wastepaper & Recycling (pays per pound based on recycling markets)
Streich Salvage (pays per pound based on recycling markets)
Nonprofit organizations such as the Boy Scouts collect aluminum cans as fund raisers.

LINKS FOR INFORMATION ON ADDITIONAL RECYCLING LOCATIONS

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PLASTIC SHOPPING BAGS

INTERESTING FACT | According to Earth911.com, “Plastic bags and film packaging are generally #2 and #4 plastic, both of which are recyclable.”

LOCAL OPTIONS FOR RECYCLING PLASTIC SHOPPING BAGS

This list is not an exhaustive list.

City of Brookings Curbside Recycling Program
Cook’s Wastepaper & Recycling
Lowe’s
JC Penney
Wal-Mart Supercenter

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MISCELLANEOUS SPECIAL WASTE [CONTINUED]

PRINTER INK JET CARTRIDGES

INTERESTING FACT | According to the United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA), “Up to three quarts of oil are needed to produce a single printer cartridge.”

LOCAL OPTIONS FOR RECYCLING PRINTER INK JET CARTRIDGES

Central Business Supply
Brookings Regional Humane Society
Some churches are also collecting printer cartridges

LINKS FOR INFORMATION ON ADDITIONAL RECYCLING LOCATIONS

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PESTICIDES

INTERESTING FACT | According to Earth911.com, “Homeowners use about 70 million pounds of pesticides annually on their lawns.”

LOCAL OPTIONS FOR DISPOSING OF PESTICIDES

The South Dakota Department of Agriculture has programs for the disposal of pesticides. For further information contact your local county extension agent or visit them on-line at:

WWW.SDDA.SD.GOV/AG_SERVICES/AGRONOMY_SERVICES_PROGRAMS/PESTICIDE_CONTAINER_RECYCLING_WASTE/DEFAULT.ASPX