

Curbside Recycling Soon To Be Added To Curbside Trash Service!

In the September 2016 issue of **Vistas** Eldorado residents learned that the new Santa Fe County Ordinance No. 2016-04 will require “bundled” trash and recyclable service for residents choosing to pay for curbside collection at their homes.

Most Eldorado residents contract with a private hauler to collect trash weekly at their homes. Half of them currently also pay an extra monthly fee for bi-weekly “single stream recycling minus glass”. Under the new law the half who now have trash-only service will also receive bi-weekly recycling.

If you are included in that category, beginning in late October your hauler will drop off a large recycling cart and begin bi-weekly collections soon thereafter. You will no longer have the option of “trash-only” service, but you will be able to cancel all curbside collection. In that case you can self-haul, at lower cost, both trash and recyclables to the Eldorado Convenience Center (ECC), located two miles south of the Hwy.285-Vista Grande intersection, on the east side of Hwy. 285 (behind Fire Station No. 3). The ECC is open Wednesday to Sunday, 8 AM to 5 PM. Trash disposal at the ECC requires the purchase of a punch card or bag tags, available noon to 4 PM on Tuesdays and Thursdays at the Adam Senior Center. There is no charge for recycling at the ECC.

The full text of the new law can be found on the Santa Fe County and Eldorado/285 Recycles websites santafecounty.gov or eldorado285.org.

Please note that curbside recycling collection excludes three types of material: **glass, plastic bags, and styrofoam**. Glass recycling is available to everyone at the ECC. If you choose not to self-haul your glass to the ECC it should go into your trash cart, **not** your recycling cart! Many plastic bags can be recycled at any local grocery store, including the Eldorado Supermart. If this is inconvenient please put them in your trash cart, **not** your recycling cart! Styrofoam cannot be recycled. Please put it in your trash cart, **never** in your recycling cart!