Commercial Garbage and Recycling Franchise – Frequently Asked Questions

1. **What is a franchise?**
   A franchise is an exclusive contract awarded to a private company to provide service. In this case, the franchise will apply to garbage and recycling services for all of the office, retail and college district accounts in the Village. The Village of Bannockburn has the authority to issue a franchise by state statute and is utilizing this ability to provide “economies of scale” in pricing for businesses.

2. **When would the proposed franchise begin?**
   The franchise would begin on or about May 1, 2015. Illinois state statute (65 ILCS 5/19-11-1) requires a 15 month waiting period between the award of the franchise and the start of the franchise service.

3. **Who is the Village considering awarding the franchise to and what is the term of the franchise?**
   The proposed contractor is Lakeshore Recycling Systems, Inc. and the term of the franchise is 7 years (2015-2022).

4. **Who is included in the proposed franchise?**
   All businesses are included in the franchise with the exception of home-based businesses, which are currently included in the Village’s residential franchise. The Village will incorporate an exemption process which will allow businesses to be exempted due to specialized service needs the franchise hauler is unable to provide or if the business is part of a larger national contract for waste management services.

5. **What services are included in the proposed franchise?**
   The franchise includes garbage and recycling services as well as an organic material (food scrap) collection option.

6. **Is recycling included in the cost?**
   YES! A 4 cubic yard recycling container picked up once a week is included in the garbage rate at no additional charge. Additional recycling containers and/or pickups are available at an additional cost similar to current opportunities.

7. **Why should I recycle?**
   Recycling is good for the environment and a good business practice that customers appreciate, but it can also save you money! Recycling reduces the amount of material you throw in your garbage container. Less garbage may allow you to reduce your container size and/or pick up frequency. The result is lower cost. A representative from Lakeshore Recycling Systems will work with each business to determine the potential cost savings associated with recycling.

8. **How will I know what size containers and service I need?**
   Prior to the start of the franchise, a representative from Lakeshore Recycling Systems will contact you to meet with you to determine the most cost effective combination of container size and pick up frequency as well as the potential cost savings associated with recycling.
9. Can I select my container size and pick up frequency?
Yes! Each business will be able to select the container size and pick up frequency that best meets its individual needs. Businesses will be able to change their level of service as their business needs change, including changing the size of the collection containers and/or frequency of service, at no charge.

10. What are rates for garbage service under the proposed franchise?
To compare your current rate and potential savings, please view the rate tables below for solid waste (garbage) disposal services:

COST PROPOSAL FOR THE VILLAGE OF BANNOCKBURN
COMMERCIAL SOLID WASTE HAULING & DISPOSAL SERVICES

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30 yard roll off | $395.00 per haul | **6 ton limit
40 yard roll off | $450.00 per haul | **7 ton limit

Collection Only**

| 20 yard compaction equipment | $375.00 per haul | **5 ton limit
25 yard compaction equipment | $395.00 per haul | **5 ton limit
30 yard compaction equipment | $430.00 per haul | **6 ton limit
40 yard receiver box | $430.00 per haul | **6 ton limit
2 yard stationary compactor rental only | $175.00 per month
6 yard rear load compactor rental only | $175.00 per month

Leased Service

| 20 yard compaction equipment | $325.00 per month
25 yard compaction equipment | $325.00 per month
30 yard compaction equipment | $325.00 per month
40 yard receiver box | $75.00 per month
2 yard stationary compactor rental only | $175.00 per month
6 yard rear load compactor rental only | $175.00 per month
11. What are rates for the recycling service under the proposed franchise?
Lakeshore Recycling Systems has agreed to recycling education with measureable goals throughout the contract. Lakeshore Recycling Systems will distribute educational brochures to the community and plans to dedicate time to providing community outreach that will educate local schools on the benefits of recycling and sustainability.

To compare your current rate and potential savings, please view the rate tables below for recycling services:

**COST PROPOSAL FOR THE VILLAGE OF BANNOCKBURN COMMERCIAL RECYCLING SERVICES**

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All items included for recycling pick up include the following:
- Glass jars and bottles
- Plastic bottles and containers (#1 - #7)
- Aluminum
- Tin & metal cans
- Cardboard and paper (chip board, newspaper, magazines, junk mail, catalogs, paper bags, telephone books, office paper, file folders and paper towel rolls)
- Asceptic packaging (milk and certain beverage containers)
12. Will I save money?
   It is estimated that 100% of the businesses in the office and retail districts, as well as the college district, will benefit as a result of the Village’s franchise agreement with Lakeshore Recycling Systems, especially if you take advantage of the recycling option. The goal of the franchise is to support businesses through “economies of scale” to lower the rates. Should you wish to obtain the proposed contract rates prior to May 1, 2015 (the commencement date of the franchise agreement), Lakeshore Recycling Systems has agreed to honor the franchise rates to all new customers.

13. What if my current rates are lower than the proposed franchise rates?
   If your rates for garbage and recycling service are lower than the franchise rate as of January 1, 2014, Lakeshore will freeze your rates for the duration of the contract subject to a rate increase limited to once per year and restricted to the rate of inflation but not less than 2% or more than 3.5%. No additional fees or surcharges will be applied. The included recycling container (4 cy. 1X/week) may allow you to reduce your container size and frequency and lower your rates below your existing rates.

14. Will I still have a service contract?
   The terms of the contract including the rates, services offered (garbage/recycling/organics), recycling containers and customer service standards are established under the franchise. If necessary, Lakeshore Recycling Systems will provide businesses with a service agreement as well.

15. Who will bill me for service?
   Lakeshore Recycling Systems will bill you monthly for garbage and recycling services. Your bill will NOT include any additional administrative or franchise fees or taxes from the Village of Bannockburn.

16. What are the billing terms?
   Lakeshore Recycling Systems standard billing terms are net 30 days. Please contact Lakeshore Recycling Systems at (773) 685-8811 to discuss alternate billing terms. Lakeshore Recycling Systems reserves the right to assess a late penalty of 1.5% per month on accounts that are over 45 days past due, and suspend service to accounts with a past due balance of sixty (60) days. If garbage is no longer being picked up you may receive a code enforcement violation from the Village of Bannockburn as well.

17. What if my current contract expires before or after the start of the proposed franchise?
   Until the franchise begins, businesses may contract with any licensed hauler for garbage and recycling services. Haulers will be required to terminate any existing contracts without customer penalty at the start of the franchise.

18. What if I currently have a contract with Lake Shore Recycling Systems?
   If you have a contract with Lakeshore Recycling Systems, that contract will remain in effect until the start of the franchise. Lakeshore Recycling Systems has agreed to freeze all exiting rates if they are below the franchise rate.

19. Will I receive a new container?
   Prior to the start of service, Lakeshore Recycling Systems will coordinate the delivery of containers for garbage and recycling service. Your current hauler will remove their container(s).
20. **Who do I call with service problems?**
   You will call Lakeshore Recycling Systems at (773) 685-8811 to report any service problems, request an additional pick up, or modify your garbage and recycling service including container size and/or pick up frequency.

21. **Will the commercial franchise affect the current residential franchise?**
   The rates for residential garbage and recycling services will not be affected due to the commercial garbage and recycling franchise. The current residential rates are with Lakeshore Recycling Systems and are covered under an existing residential franchise agreement.

22. **What does the Village receive for the franchise?**
   The Village has not imposed any commercial franchise fees to Lakeshore Recycling Systems. However, the Village will be receiving revenues derived from recycling, which will go toward our goal to continue to improve the quality of life for all of the citizens in the Village of Bannockburn.

23. **Who is Lakeshore Recycling Systems?**
   Lakeshore Recycling Systems was formed in 2012 from the merger of two Chicago based waste and recycling companies: Lakeshore Waste Services and Recycling Systems, Inc.

   Lakeshore Waste Services was started 11 years ago by a veteran of one of the largest waste companies in the country and provides a wide range of refuse, recycling and composting services to residents and businesses in the Chicagoland area. Through a grassroots effort, LWS grew from a 1-truck 1-route operation into a 60-truck company.

   Recycling Systems, Inc. was started in 1996 by veterans of the waste and recycling business in Forest Park, IL. In 2004, after running numerous transfer stations RSI built two 25,000-square-feet recycling and transfer buildings and established its home in Chicago.

   Recycling Systems optimized the waste stream by finding outlets for recyclable materials that are sorted at their facility. They have proven success in exceeding U.S. Green Building Council’s LEED Certification points and compliant with the City of Chicago Recycling Ordinance. RSI’s 55-fleet operation serves the Chicago land area residents, general contractors, and demolition and excavation companies. For more information Lakeshore Recycling Systems please visit its website at [www.LakeshoreRecyclingSystems.com](http://www.LakeshoreRecyclingSystems.com).