



Environmental Services

FY2024 Q1&Q2 OCTOBER 2023 - MARCH 2024

ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT

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FY2024Q1&Q2 REPORT

The Environmental Services FY2024 Q1 & Q2 Report is provided to inform residents on the department's services to the community and the results of such efforts.

The Environmental Services Department has four main public service areas:

- » **Litter Control**
- » **Consumer Health**
- » **Environmental Quality**
- » **Solid Waste Services**

All areas of service continue to achieve impressive results as the department strives to provide outstanding customer service to the public.

Our Mission

Working together to safeguard the environment and foster sustainable, thriving neighborhoods through education and engagement with the community to manage waste, advocate for health and safety, and reduce incidents of environmental pollution.

Our Vision

Fort Worth will lead through advancing goals of a clean, safe, healthy communities, environmental stewardship and responsible waste management.

Unless noted, the Environmental Services Report operates on the fiscal year instead of the calendar year. The City of Fort Worth's fiscal year runs from Oct. 1 through Sept. 30.



REQUEST SERVICES

City services can be requested easily through several methods.



1. Phone: (817) 392-1234
2. Email: 1234@fortworthtexas.gov
3. MyFW App
4. Online: www.fortworthtexas.gov/customer-care



The City of Fort Worth campaign, Litter: Stop It! Report It! Pick It Up! endorses community participation in a focused effort to control litter. Litter control advances the overarching goal of a clean, safe city. Litter control efforts are concentrated across three core tenants: (1) source control, (2) community reporting, and (3) litter abatement.

FY2024 By the Numbers:
October 2023 - March 2024

10,250,075
pounds of debris collected
in FY2024 to date

3,032
litter-related
inspections

1,417,772
pounds of litter collected
by UpSpire Crews

168,280
pounds of illegal
dumping cleaned by
the Environmental
Investigations Unit
(EIU)

15,104
curb miles swept

112,558
pounds of litter
collected at City-led
special cleanups

4,327
illegal dumping
sites cleaned

653
illegal
camp sites
cleaned

168
litter service
requests
received
through the
MyFW app

The 39th annual Cowtown Great American Cleanup took place Saturday, March 23, 2024. 4,880 volunteers participated and picked up a total of 133,808 pounds of litter on the day of the event. Residents cleaned 51 parks across Fort Worth, while other residents choose to clean up neighborhoods, waterways, and along public streets.

Photo: Volunteers cleaned parks during 2024 Cowtown Cleanup.

Consumer Health staff plays a crucial role in protecting the public. Staff inspects food establishments, child care centers, public swimming pools and spas, hotels, motels, lounges, and temporary food stands at special events. The goal is to prevent disease, ensure hygiene standards are met, and protect the well-being of the community.

FY2024 By the Numbers:
October 2023 - March 2024

1,599
health permits
issued

4,218
online training
classes taken

5,237
restaurant
inspections

440
complaint
investigations

211
pool/spa
inspections

195
child care
inspections

101
plan inspections

45
hotel/motel
inspections

212
mosquito traps
collected
(active season runs
April - October)

Consumer Health completed daily inspections of the 2024 Fort Worth Stock Show and Rodeo. The team processed 113 temporary permits and completed 185 inspections throughout the event. Inspectors were available daily to ensure vendors were providing the best quality products to residents. Consumer Health Specialists also completed inspections and permitting for the 2024 Fort Worth Food + Wine Festival.

Photo: Patrons eating and drinking during event (Source: FWF&W Festival 2024).

The Environmental Quality Division ensures compliance with federal, state and local environmental regulations to promote a clean and healthy environment. Staff members monitor ambient air and local water quality, investigate concerns of environmental contamination, ensure environmental permit compliance and provide safe hazardous waste disposal.

FY2024 By the Numbers:
October 2023 - March 2024

1,865
environmental
complaints

97%
continuously
monitored events

2,288
construction
stormwater
inspections

131
grading permits
issued

24
Phase 1 or 2
Environmental Site
Assessments or
Asbestos Remediation
Assessments

88
water quality
monitoring events

71
air quality
compliance
investigations

34
industrial
stormwater
inspections
(active months
are January,
March,
July, and
September)

36
hazardous
spill response
investigations

The Fort Worth Convention Center is currently undergoing renovations on the eastern portion of the complex. As part of this update, the Land Quality team, in collaboration with general contractors and Pacific West, worked to successfully remove and dispose of two unregistered underground storage tanks located at the southeast entrance of the property.

Photo: Excavation after investigation by Land Quality team.

SOLID WASTE OPERATIONS

The Solid Waste Services Division manages the garbage, recycling and waste reduction services for the residents of Fort Worth. All curbside collections are provided by contractors. There are more than 257,000 single-family residences that receive weekly garbage, yard waste and recycling collection services. Bulk waste is collected monthly.

FY2024 By the Numbers: October 2023 - March 2024

109,840
tons of residential waste
sent by City to landfill*
*Oct. - March metric

81,923
pounds of food
waste collected

145,203
drop-off station visits

946,687
pounds disposed
at Environmental
Collection Center

22,500
tons of bulk waste
collected*
*Oct. - March metric

31,213
tons of recycling
collected

8,997
tons of yard waste collected*
*Oct. - Feb. metric

50%
audited recycling
carts with no
contamination

7,253
total households
served at
Environmental
Collection
Center

In December 2023, the Solid Waste Division revamped the scrap metal collection recycling program at all four drop-off stations. Shifting from using an outside contractor, to utilizing internal staff to haul and sell collected materials, the City has significantly enhanced the efficiency of the program.

Photo: Scrap metal collected at city drop-off station.



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