



2023

COMMUNITY
CALENDAR




GREATER
DANDENONG
City of Opportunity



JANUARY

Community photography

This year's calendar is filled with photos taken by our community members. We wanted to see our city through your eyes, and received more than 340 individual photo entries. It was a tough decision but a judging panel narrowed the field down to the 12 finalists you see on the pages of this calendar. A competition for the 2024 Community Calendar has also been launched. Visit greaterdandenong.vic.gov.au/photography-competition to find out how to enter for your chance to feature in next year's calendar.


















Suzanne Scholz



Edinburgh Reserve, Springvale

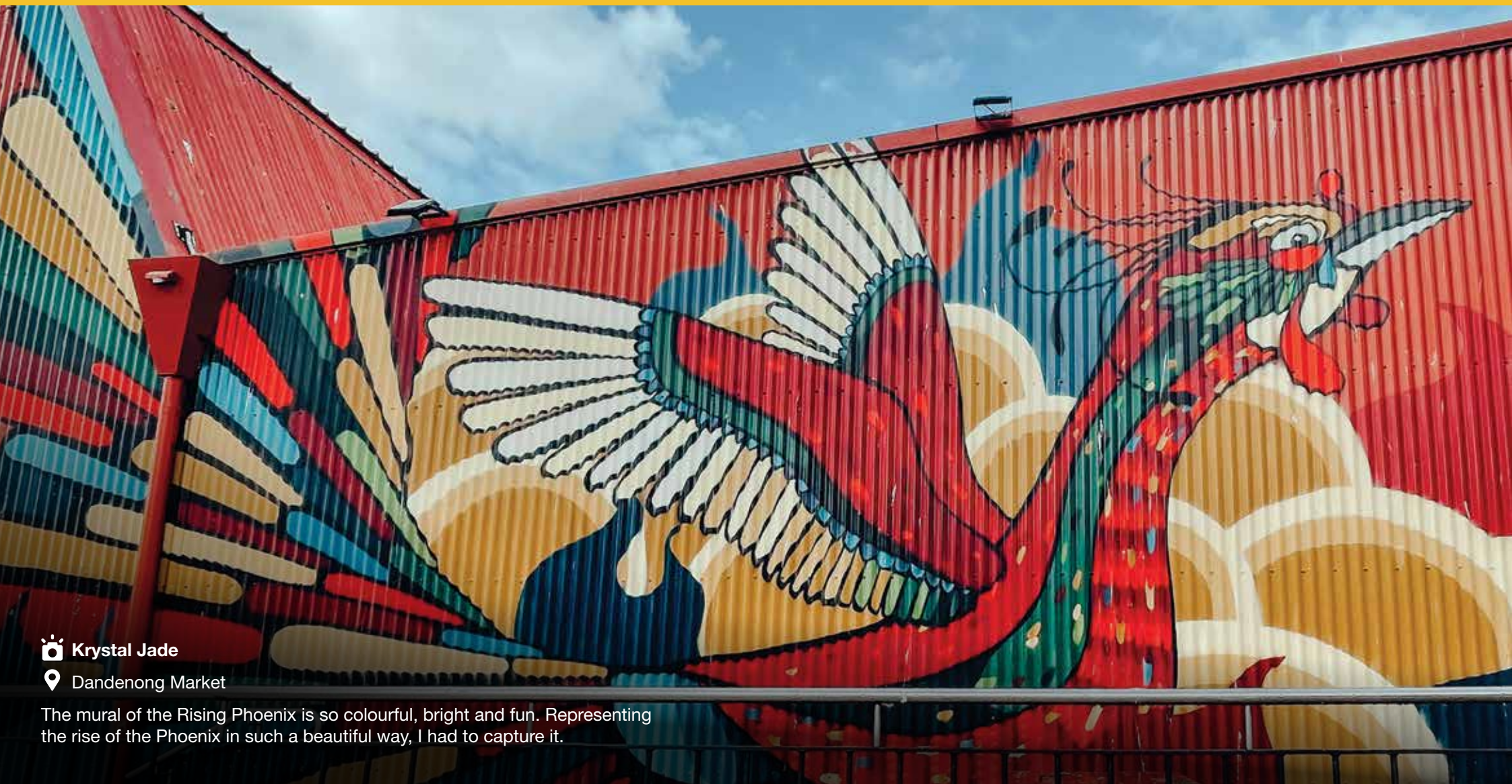
The neighbourhood is quiet, crisp and cool on very early morning walks in the Summer. I see some beautiful sunrises at my local oval, Edinburgh Reserve in Springvale.



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FEBRUARY

Single Use Plastics Ban

We have relied on single use plastics for so long, but now many easy-to-find alternatives exist. By swapping out single use items with reusable ones — like metal cutlery — we all make a positive impact on the Greater Dandenong environment.



 **Krystal Jade**
 Dandenong Market

The mural of the Rising Phoenix is so colourful, bright and fun. Representing the rise of the Phoenix in such a beautiful way, I had to capture it.


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MARCH

Homecycle

This month give your smaller unwanted household goods a second life with our free Homecycle program. Homecycle will run from 7–18 March. Your collection will be the day after your yellow lid recycling bin is emptied. Good quality, reusable items will be donated to charities for families in need. Other items will be recycled to create new products. Further information — greaterdandenong.vic.gov.au/homecycle



 Peter Oudman


 Springvale Botanical Cemetery

Photo taken at the DI ZHANG WANG Temple Bell. In the Springvale Botanical Cemetery. We visit often to enjoy the excellent gardens.



APRIL

Transfer Stations and Recycling Centres

If you need to part ways with something that's trickier to dispose of, such as a cut down tree or you have more garden waste than your green lid food and garden bin can handle, there are transfer stations (tips) near the Greater Dandenong area. A transfer station is a place where you can drop off your waste to be disposed of or recycled. Some items are free to take to a transfer station and some things you must pay for. See the back of this calendar to find your nearest transfer station.



Daniel Green



Dandenong Park

A beautiful top down image of Dandenong Park.

Weekly bin collection

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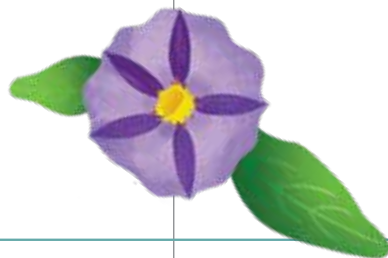
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Area 1



Area 2

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MAY

We love your food scraps and garden waste

Did you know the food scraps and garden waste collected from your green lid bins are being turned into compost and used in Greater Dandenong's parks and gardens? Simply place your food scraps into your food and garden bin. Your efforts are making a huge difference to our beautiful parks and gardens and also for our Victorian farmers. To apply for a food and garden waste bin please visit greaterdandenong.vic.gov.au/waste



 Sophea Pan

 Springvale Community Hub

The new library is nice and elegant with external and internal design. So I shoot some images outside of the building before I go inside to borrow or return the book.




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JUNE

World Environment Day

On World Environment Day, communities and countries all over the globe spread awareness about protecting nature and reducing our impact on the environment. We only have one Earth, let's take care of it.



 **Monica Shedden**

 Pencil Park, Keysborough

We have just moved to the area and love walking through the absolutely beautiful wetlands and parkland that connects all the way to Tatterson Park. There are lots of different paths to choose and every one of them is filled with beauty and the delightful sounds of nature.



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JULY

Plastic Free July

During Plastic Free July we can all work together to reduce single-use plastics waste. Whether at home, work or school, we can all play a part to have cleaner streets, oceans and beautiful communities. Be part of Plastic Free July by choosing to refuse single-use plastics.



Renee Dare



Barry J Powell Reserve, Noble Park

My dog and I love walking around the beautiful park, seeing all the sports practises and enjoying a run in the off-leash dog park. Our favourite spot is up the top of the hill watching the sun set behind the trees and listening to the birds singing. I love that the old trees with hollows have been left for the birds.

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AUGUST

Stormwater drains

Stormwater drains collect rainwater run-off from roads, roofs and gutters, as well as anything lightweight on the ground. All sorts of litter including cigarette butts, food and drink packaging, and polystyrene are carried in the run-off into the stormwater drains. In Australia, the stormwater system is separate from the sewer system. Unlike sewage, stormwater is not treated before being discharged to our waterways. Stormwater drains lead into rivers and creeks, and then to our bays and oceans. Not only is litter unsightly — it has devastating impacts on wildlife.





 **Thanh Tran**


 Burden Park, Springvale

The location is important to me because it's a nearby park that provides nice facilities and has a large field to kick the footy around.

Weekly bin collection

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SEPTEMBER


National Biodiversity Month

September is Biodiversity month and also when we do our annual Biodiversity Blitz - using iNaturalist to collect data on plants and animals in Greater Dandenong.

To get involved visit
greaterdandenong.vic.gov.au/finding-biodiversity



 Tania Tivendale

 Dandenong

This photo was taken in my front yard in Dandenong.
I love living right near the Dandenong Creek as we have
many beautiful winged visitors come to our garden.

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 Area 2	25	26	27	28	29	National Biodiversity Month ends 30		







OCTOBER

Booking hard rubbish

Greater Dandenong residents are entitled to one free hard waste collection each financial year. The hard waste service is 'at call', meaning you can book a collection when it suits you. The maximum amount of waste you can put out for collection is three cubic metres. You can put your hard waste collection inside your property in your front yard if you can, so others don't add to it — this is the preferred option. You can book your hard waste collection online at greaterdandenong.vic.gov.au/hardwaste, or phone 9721 1915.



Sandeep Kurungotu Parambath



Dandenong Park

Dandenong Bowling Club has such historical importance. The club was formed in 1882, about 140 years ago. The symbolic representation of bowling in the heart of Dandenong is an amazing art work.



NOVEMBER



We need your recycling!

Recycling can be confusing, but every step you take to do the right thing can make a big difference. Items placed in your yellow lid recycling bin are made into new items we see around us including park benches, wheelie bins, or even roads. When we place the right things in the right bins, we are capturing quality materials that can be used again.



Gabriel Hingley



Djerring Trail, Noble Park

This view is taken from close to the corner of Corrigan and Lightwood roads in Noble Park, on the Djerring trail. I loved how the Skyrail enabled new trails and parkland to be opened up in my neighbourhood. I also appreciate how the past is referenced in these remnants of railway tracks, and the new native plantings are there to replace the gums that were cut down to make way for the new rail.



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Melbourne Cup Day
Public holiday

Remembrance Day

Detox Your Home



Re-use and Recycle Drop Off Day





DECEMBER

Waste less this Christmas

Christmas is a great time to celebrate with family and friends, but it's also the season when we spend the most money and generate the most waste. At this time of year, a few small acts can make a big difference to the environment.

1. Give low impact gifts like experiences.
2. Empty any food and drink from containers before recycling.
3. Plan weekday dinners using leftovers from Christmas.



Averil Levin



Drum Theatre, Dandenong

Photo taken from the steps near Harmony Square.
It's an iconic Dandenong image.

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What goes in your bin

For translated fact sheets and more information on waste, recycling and garden waste, please scan the QR code.



Garbage

Think before you bin



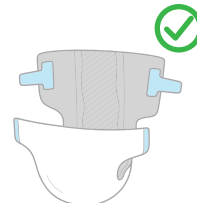
Yes, we accept these items in the red garbage bin:



Polystyrene



Ceramics and broken glass



Nappies



Make sure you bag your garbage



Food scraps

Garbage bins are emptied weekly (same day each week).

Do not include the following items:



No syringes

No recyclables

No garden waste

No soil, bricks or rubble

No hazardous waste



Need to know your garbage day?

Visit
greaterdandenong.vic.gov.au
or phone
8571 1000



Recycling

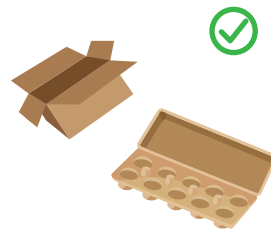
Sorting out our future together



Yes, we accept these items in the yellow recycling bin:



Empty glass bottles and jars



Cardboard boxes and egg cartons



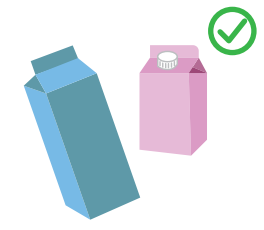
Newspapers, magazines, paper, envelopes and catalogues



Empty plastic bottles and containers



Clean foil, trays, empty aluminium, steel and metal lids



Milk and juice cartons

Recycling bins are emptied on the same day as your garbage bin, on the alternate week to your food and garden waste.

Do not include the following items:



No recyclables in plastic bags

No soft plastics

No nappies

No garbage

No polystyrene

No food





Food and Garden Waste

From your garden to ours



Yes, we accept these items in the green garden waste bin:



Food scraps



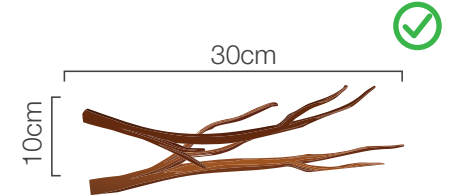
Grass clippings and weeds



Garden prunings



Flowers and leaves



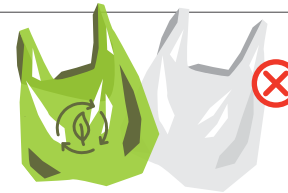
Small branches

Food and Garden waste bins are emptied on the same day as your garbage bin, on the alternate week to recycling.

Do not include the following items:



- No soil or bricks No recyclables No garbage No plastic bags
No nappies No plastic pots No animal waste



For more information visit greaterdandenong.vic.gov.au/food-waste

Waste collection reminders

1. Make sure all bin lids are closed to prevent litter.
2. Bins must be no heavier than 80kg. If it's too heavy to wheel to the kerb, it's too heavy for the truck to empty.
3. To ensure your bin is collected, place your bins out after 4pm the day before your collection but no later than 5am on collection day. We will not return to empty your bins if they are not out at the time of collection.
4. Avoid parking in the street on collection day.
5. Additional bins are available on a user pays basis.
6. Report damaged or stolen bins to Council on 8571 1000. There is no cost to the resident for a replacement or repairs to the bin.



Report illegal dumping It's in your hands

A cleaner Greater Dandenong is in your hands. To report dumped rubbish and littering phone 8571 1000 and provide as many details as possible.



The location of the dumped rubbish.



The date and time you saw the rubbish being dumped.



Any identifying details such as the vehicle make, colour and registration.

Snap Send Solve

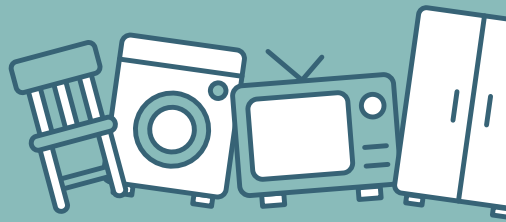
Have you seen a problem or issue in the community that Council needs to know about? Why not Snap Send Solve it?

Snap Send Solve is the FREE app community members can use to report problems to Council. Just snap a photo of the problem, fill in the description and send it to us, come back to see the problem solved.

For more information and to download the app visit snapsendsolve.com

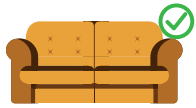


Your Residential Hard Waste Collection Service

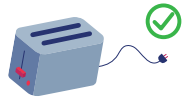


If you choose to put hard waste on the nature strip, items must not be put out earlier than the Saturday prior to the scheduled collection week and must be out by 6am on the Monday of the scheduled week of collection.

YES these items will be accepted.



Furniture



Electronic appliances



Timber (No longer than 1.5 metres and no more than ten pieces)



Mattresses and bed bases (Maximum of two)



Carpet (Rolled and tied, one roll no longer than 1.5m)



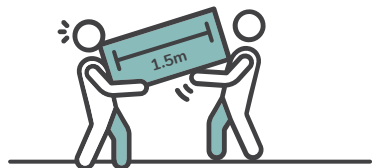
Glass and crockery (Securely wrapped and labelled 'glass' or 'crockery')



Scrap metal, small car parts and lawn mowers, empty paint tins (lids removed)



Hot water systems and white goods including washing machines, stoves and fridges with doors removed



NO these items are not accepted.



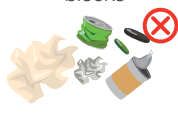
Tyres and car batteries



Engine oil and engine blocks



General garden waste



Household waste and recyclables



Building and renovation materials including rubble, cement sheeting or fences



Asbestos and other hazardous waste



Gas cylinders



Household chemicals, paint and pesticides



Small acts make a big impact.

Putting your recycling in the bin loose and not in bags means more of it can be made into new things like park benches, cardboard boxes and even roads.

Find your small act today at sustainability.vic.gov.au/small-acts-big-impact



You can book your hard waste collection online at www.greaterdandenong.vic.gov.au/hardwaste, or call 9721 1915.



Homecycle



Turn old into new

7–18 March and 13–24 June

Give your **smaller** unwanted goods a second chance with this **FREE** one-off kerbside collection.



Textiles

Clothing, shoes, handbags, fashion accessories, manchester/linen, jewellery



Household items

Toys, games, puzzles, cookware, cutlery, craft goods, DVDs, CDs, records



Sporting equipment

Bats, balls



Small electrical items

Mobile phones, chargers, cables, anything with a cord and battery



Printer cartridges

Empty or full

Re-use and Recycle Drop Off Day



A **FREE** drop-off for your **larger** unwanted electronic and household goods
Saturday 25 February and
Saturday 25 November, 8am – 1pm

Greaves Reserve, 2–20 Bennet Street, Dandenong

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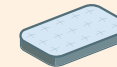
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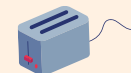


TVs and computers



Mattresses

Maximum of
2 mattresses



Electrical appliances

Printers, rice cookers,
anything with a cord
or battery



Bicycles



Whitegoods

Fridges, washing
machines,
dryers, microwaves



Homewares

Toys, cookware,
sporting items, baby
equipment



Furniture

Chairs, tables,
couches, desks



Clothes and linen

Clothing, shoes,
fashion accessories,
towels, sheets

More information

Visit greaterdandenong.vic.gov.au/waste or phone 8571 1000

Waste and Recycling Disposal Centres

Sometimes you have extra waste that cannot go into any of your household bins or the hard waste collection.

By recycling and recovering our waste, we can reduce the amount of waste that is sent to landfill.

Visit the websites below to read about how to recycle and dispose of specific items. Many items are accepted free of charge while some incur a fee.

It is always best to contact the companies before driving there, to confirm opening hours and any fees.



Scan the QR code to find a list of various items with the correct waste service.



Recycling Near You— <https://recyclingnearyou.com.au/>

Planet Ark A to Z recycling directory - providing detailed information on waste items and where you can take them to be recycled.

Transfer Stations and Recycling Centres

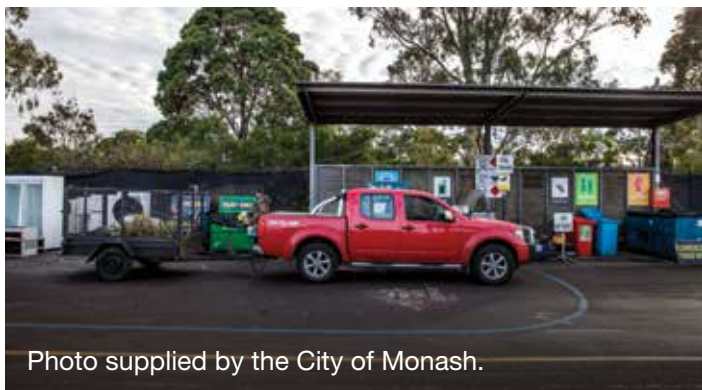


Photo supplied by the City of Monash.

Greater Dandenong does not have a Council owned rubbish tip or transfer station. There are a few waste and recycling disposal facilities near Greater Dandenong that residents can use. Your additional waste can be taken to a local transfer station for a small cost. Recyclable items such as cardboard, bottles and batteries can usually be taken free of charge at most recycling centres.

It is always best to call first to confirm opening hours and if there are any disposal fees.

Hampton Park Resource
Recovery Precinct
274 Hallam Road,
Hampton Park
Phone 9554 4502

Monash Transfer Station
and Recycling Centre
380 Ferntree Gully Road,
Notting Hill
Phone 9518 3767

Knox Transfer Station
George Street,
Wantirna South
Phone 9887 4222



(03) 8571 1000



council@cgd.vic.gov.au



greaterdandenong.vic.gov.au



TTY: 133 677

Speak and listen: 1300 555 727
Online: relayservice.gov.au



TIS: 13 14 50

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Greater Dandenong City Council acknowledges the Traditional Owners and custodians of this land, the Bunurong People, and pay respect to their Elders past, present and emerging. We recognise and respect their continuing connections to Climate, Culture and Country.



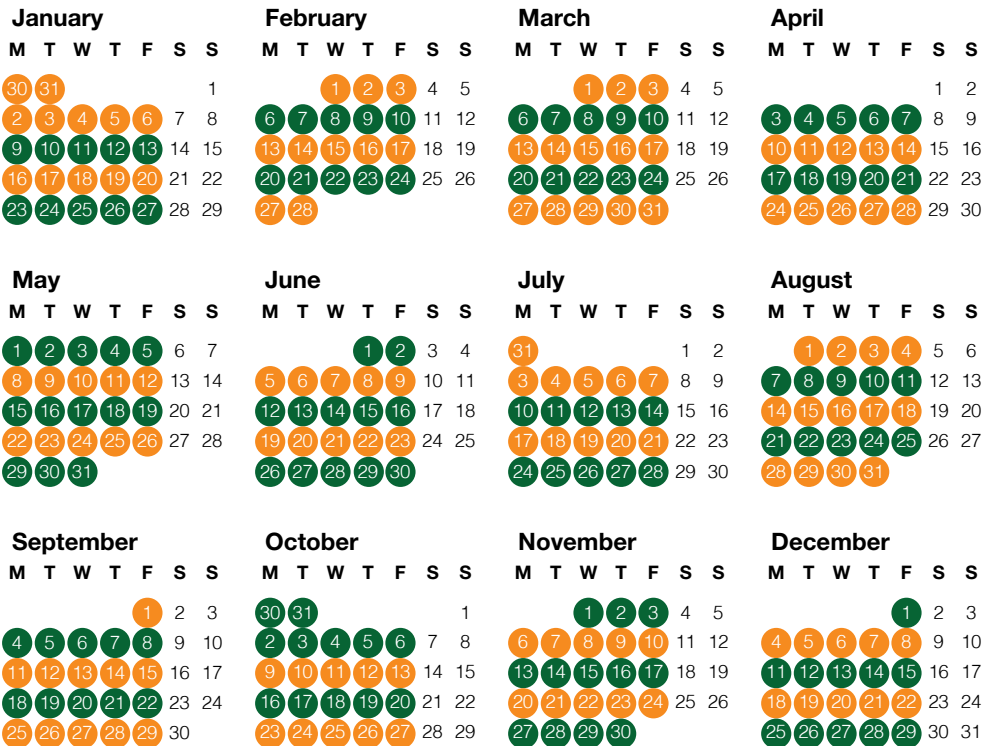
Acknowledging
Bunurong Country

Waste Collection Calendar

Area 1

2023

- Green Waste Collection
- Recycling Collection



My weekly bin collection day is _____

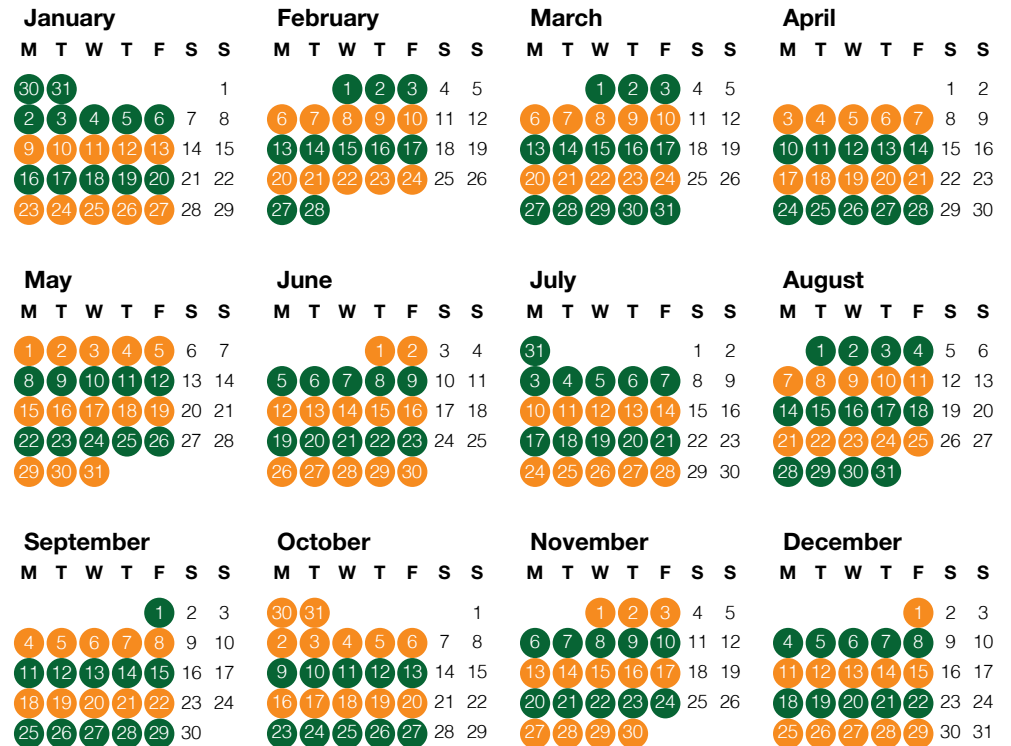
For more information visit: greaterdandenong.vic.gov.au/find-my-bin-day

Waste Collection Calendar

Area 2

2023

- Green Waste Collection
- Recycling Collection



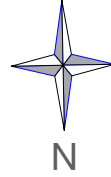
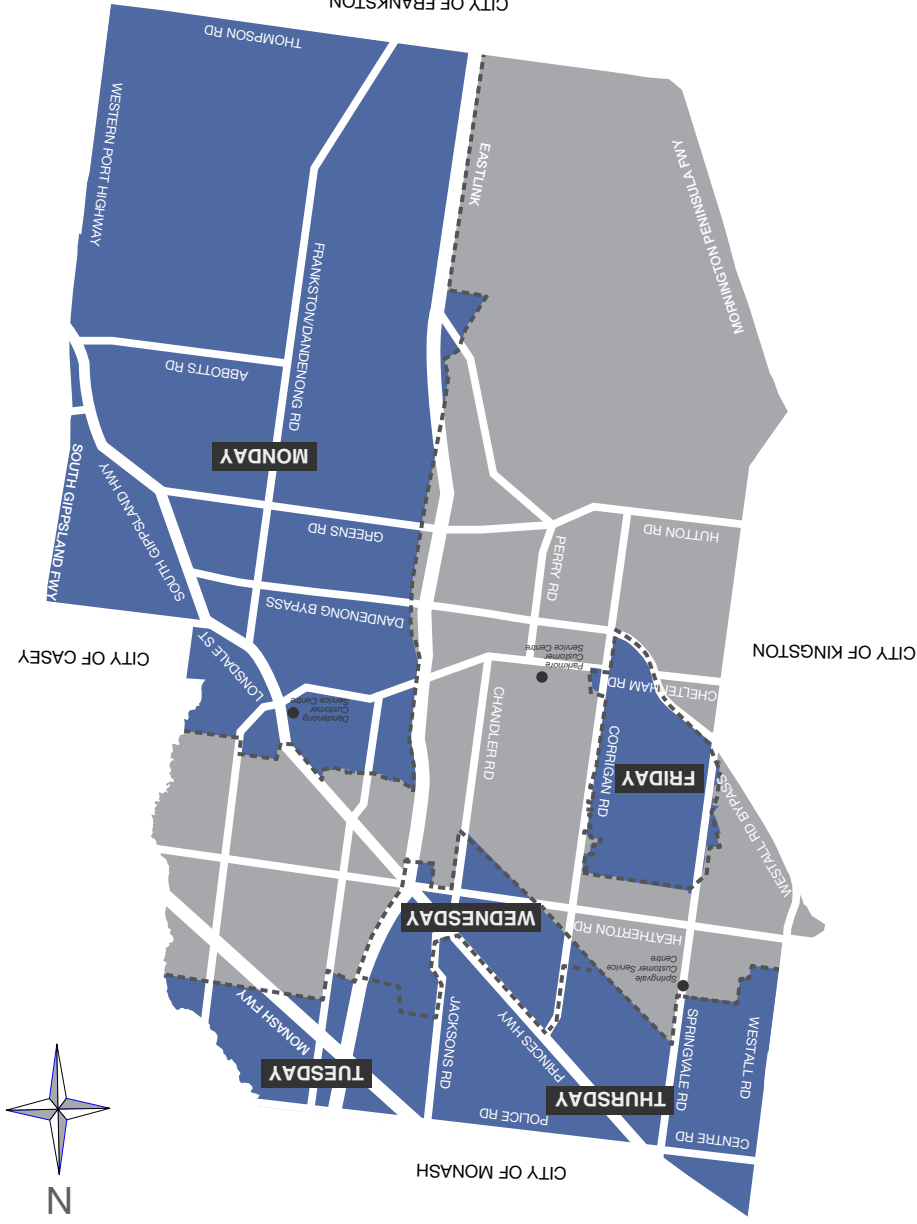
My weekly bin collection day is _____

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Identify your area and weekly rubbish day

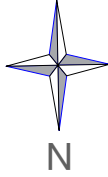
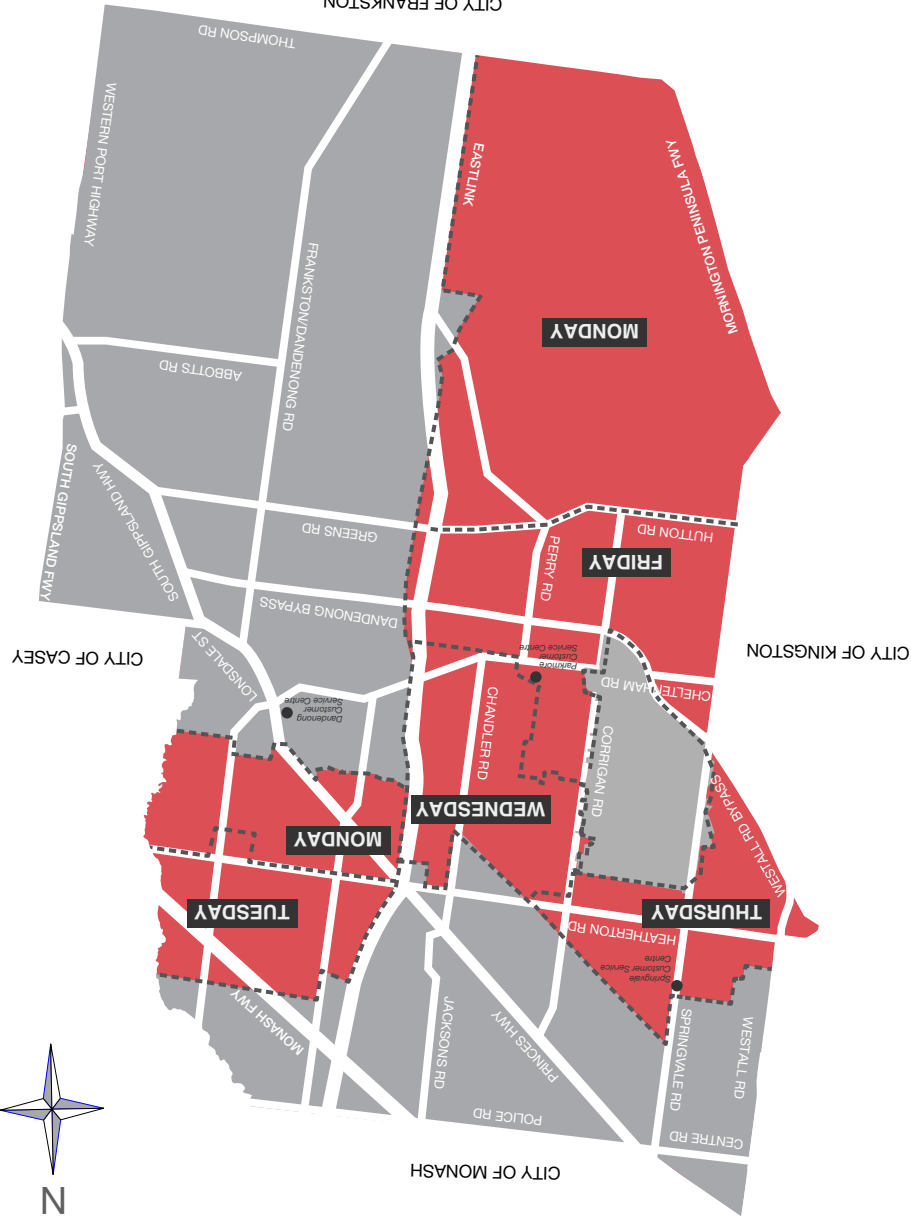
City of Greater Dandenong

Area 2



City of Greater Dandenong

Area 1



Cut out the appropriate card for your household and keep it pinned up to your fridge. The Area Map appears on one side of the card and the 2023 Waste Collection Calendar specific to your area will appear on the opposite side.