



NOVEMBER 2015 - DECEMBER 2016 Waste Collection Schedule

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NOTE: The Waste Collection Schedule is only applicable to residents receiving municipal waste collection services.





A MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

At the City of Vaughan, we are committed to creating a greener future for everyone. It is our goal to provide efficient waste management services that encourage participation so we can continue to divert as much waste as possible from landfills. Protecting and preserving the environment is a community effort and contributes to our wonderful quality of life.

Our award-winning Greening Vaughan program makes it easy for residents to participate and contribute to the overall health and well-being of our city. Your commitment ensures the continued success of our waste diversion programs and allows us to remain a leader as well as a city that is progressive, environmentally responsible and sustainable.

I encourage you to use this guide for reminders and information regarding your waste collection. By working together, we can make our community greener, healthier and even more vibrant in the years to come.

Sincerely,

Hon. Maurizio Bevilacqua, P.C.
Mayor





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Waste Collection Program

The City of Vaughan provides waste collection services to all eligible residential properties. This includes the collection of garbage, blue box recycling, green bin organics, leaf and yard waste, Christmas trees, and appliance/metal items.



Set waste materials out no earlier than 6 p.m. the night before collection and no later than 7 a.m. on your collection day.

WASTE COLLECTION FREQUENCY

To determine which week your garbage is collected:

1. Identify where you live on the map shown on the back cover
2. Identify your collection day and determine if you live in a **BLUE ZONE** or a **YELLOW ZONE**
3. Follow your colour throughout the calendar



Green bin (organic) and blue box (recycling) collection is **every week**.

















Garbage collection is **every other week**.

Refer to page 5 for weight, quantity and size limits.



Yard waste is collected **weekly in the spring and fall** and **every other week in the summer**.

There is no yard waste collection during the winter months. Refer to page 13 for dates.

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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08 	09	10  	11 Remembrance Day	12	13  	14
15 	16	17  	18	19	20  	21
22 	23	24	25	26	27 	28 Weekly leaf and yard waste collection ENDS
29 	30	01	02	03	04	05

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NOVEMBER 2015

Garbage Collection



ACCEPTABLE CONTAINERS

- Regulation-sized garbage bags
- Regulation-sized containers with handles and removable lids

Maximum diameter: 0.5 metres (19 inches)

Maximum height: 0.9 metres (35 inches)

WEIGHT, QUANTITY AND SIZE LIMIT

WEIGHT LIMIT: 20.4 kilograms (45 pounds) per item, including contents of bag/bin and/or bundled material

QUANTITY LIMIT:

- Three items every other week (including bulky items)
- Paid garbage tags are required on extra items over three, up to a maximum of 13 items

SIZE LIMIT:

Bundles: 1.5 metres (five feet) in length and 0.6 metres (two feet) in diameter

Bulky Items: 68 kilograms (150 pounds)



UNACCEPTABLE CONTAINERS

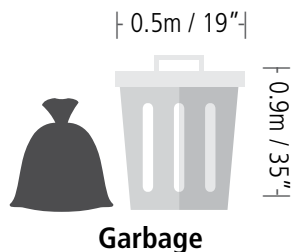
- Broken or damaged containers
- Cardboard boxes
- Containers with attached lids
- Grocery-type shopping bags
- Laundry-type baskets and/or similar containers
- Oversized containers or bags








BROKEN GLASS AND OTHER SHARP OBJECTS

These items must be placed in a cardboard box that is safely secured and labelled "broken glass".

USE PROPER CONTAINERS



Waste materials will only be collected if proper containers are used.

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
29 	30	01	02	03	04	05
06 	07	08	09	10	11	12
13 	14	15	16	17	18	19
20 	21	22	23	Christmas Eve 24 FESTIVE CLOSURE: Municipal offices closed Dec. 24, noon - Jan. 1	Christmas Day 25 Holiday Schedule Collection moved one day later	Boxing Day 26
27 	28	29	30	New Year's Eve 31	01	02

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DECEMBER 2015



Christmas Tree Collection






















Christmas trees are collected on your regular collection day during the weeks of Jan. 5 or 12.

If you miss your Christmas tree collection, you can drop off your tree at the **Bloomington Yard Waste Depot**, 1351 Bloomington Rd., in Richmond Hill at no charge or set it out for pickup during the City's spring leaf and yard collection program from April 5 to May 27.



REMINDERS:

- Christmas trees larger than 2.13 metres (seven feet) cannot fit into the collection vehicles and are required to be cut in half.
- Christmas trees buried in, on top of or behind snowbanks may not get collected. Please ensure your tree is accessible.

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
27 	 REMINDER: Remove tinsel, ornaments and plastic bags before placing Christmas trees curbside.		30	31	New Year's Day 01 Municipal offices closed Holiday Schedule Collection moved one day later 	02
03 	04	05  	06 	07 	08  	09
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17 	18	19	20	21	22	23
24 	25	26	27	28	29	30
31	01	02	03	04	For more information, visit vaughan.ca/waste or call 905-832-8562	

What Goes in the Blue Box



ACCEPTABLE ITEMS

- Beverage cartons and polycoat containers (e.g. juice boxes, milk cartons)
- Cardboard boxes, flattened
- Glass bottles and jars
- Metal: steel cans and tins, aluminum (including foil rolled in a ball)
- Paper products and newsprint
- Plastic food and drink containers
- Plastic household containers

All containers must be empty and clean. Metal lids must be removed and placed in the blue box separately.



ACCEPTABLE CONTAINERS

14 – 22 gal.



Blue Box
(Recycling)

- Blue boxes provided by the City
- Blue boxes purchased at participating stores that are similar in size to those offered by the City
- Material bundled appropriately beside the blue box
- Maximum bundle size is 0.6 metres x 0.6 metres x 0.3 metres (two feet x two feet x one foot)



UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS










- Batteries, propane cylinders or other hazardous waste
- Boxes with food or grease stains (e.g. greasy pizza boxes)
- Coat hangers
- Foam packaging
- Glass cookware, light bulbs, mirrors, drinking glasses, ceramics
- Medical waste (e.g. needles)
- Plastic bags or film
- Plastic wrap or straws, foil drink pouches (e.g. Kool-Aid Jammers)
- Pots or pans
- Soiled paper, paper towels, tissue, waxed paper, chip bags
- Styrofoam, foam egg cartons or take-out containers



UNACCEPTABLE CONTAINERS

- Cardboard boxes
- Containers with attached lids
- Containers with wheels
- Garbage containers
- Oversized containers
- Semi-opaque plastic garbage/recycling bags



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
31 	01	02	03	04	05	06
07 	08	09	10	11	12	13
14 	15 Family Day Municipal offices closed	16	17	18	19	20
21 	22	23	24	25	26	27
28 	29	01	02	03	04	05
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FEBRUARY 2016

What Goes in the Green Bin



ACCEPTABLE ITEMS

- Baked goods and baking ingredients
- Dairy products
- Fruit and vegetables
- Grain products
- Meat and fish products
- Other food products including candy, tea bags, coffee grounds and filters
- Paper products, including soiled newsprint
- Personal hygiene products (e.g. diapers, sanitary products)
- Pet waste and food



ACCEPTABLE CONTAINERS

- Green bins provided by the City
- Green bins purchased at participating stores that are similar in size to the ones offered by the City

13 gal.



Green Bin
(Organics)

DON'T KNOW WHERE IT GOES?

Check out our *What Goes Where* look-up tool at vaughan.ca/waste








UNACCEPTABLE CONTAINERS

- Cardboard boxes
- Regular garbage containers or bags



REMINDERS:

- **USE COMPOSTABLE BAGS.** Do not place food containers in your green bin. **ONLY organic materials are accepted.**
- Material must be bagged and tied inside the green bin. No loose material is allowed.

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28 	29	01	02	03	04	05
06 	07	08	09	10	11	12
13 	14	15	16	17	18	19
20 	21	22	23	24	Good Friday 25 Municipal offices closed Holiday Schedule Collection moved one day later	26
Easter 27 	Easter Monday 28 Municipal offices closed	29	30	31	01	02

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MARCH 2016

Leaf and Yard Waste Collection



ACCEPTABLE ITEMS

- Corn stalks and pumpkins
- Fruit and vegetables
- Grass, leaves and garden plants
- Shrubbery and tree clippings

Excess yard waste can be dropped off at the **Bloomington Yard Waste Depot**, see page 24.



ACCEPTABLE CONTAINERS

- Paper bags used for leaf and yard waste
- Waste containers without lids and with handles marked "Leaf and Yard Waste"



UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS

- Animal feces
- Dirt and soil
- Non-organic materials (e.g. flower pots)
- Leaf and yard waste mixed with other waste
- Kitchen organic waste
- Root balls
- Sod
- Stumps
- Tree trunks



UNACCEPTABLE CONTAINERS

- Cardboard boxes
- Degraded paper bags
- Green bins or blue boxes
- Plastic bags
- Unmarked containers and/or containers with lids on them



LEAF AND YARD WASTE COLLECTION:

Fall **WEEKLY** Collection (2015):

Oct. 6 to Nov. 27 on your regular collection day

Spring **WEEKLY** Collection (2016):

April 5 to May 27 on your regular collection day

Summer Collection (2016):

EVERY OTHER WEEK from May 31 to Sept. 30 on your regular collection day
















Fall **WEEKLY** Collection (2016):

Oct. 4 to Nov. 25 on your regular collection day

SIZE LIMIT:

Bundles: 1.5 metres (five feet) in length and 0.6 metres (two feet) in diameter

Branches: Branches must be securely bundled and no longer than 10 centimetres (four inches) in diameter per branch

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10 	11	12 	<i>Double-Up Days</i>		14 	15 	16
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APRIL 2016

Double-Up Days



Take advantage of **Double-Up Days** to dispose of up to six items of garbage on your designated garbage collection day without the need for paid garbage tags. **Thirteen item maximum still applies during Double-Up Days.**

There are four Double-Up Day events each year:

Weeks of: Nov. 10 and 17, 2015	Sept. 6 and 13, 2016
Jan. 5 and 12, 2016	Nov. 8 and 15, 2016
April 5 and 12, 2016	

Refer to your colour zone map at the back of the calendar to determine which week applies to you.

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01 	02	03	04	05	06	07
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15 	16 	17	18	19	20 	21
22 	23 Victoria Day Municipal offices closed	24	25	26	27 	28 WEEKLY leaf and yard waste collection ENDS
29 	30 EVERY OTHER WEEK leaf and yard waste collection BEGINS 	31 	01	02	03	04

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MAY 2016



News You Can Use

Subscribe to our City Update eNewsletter to receive updates about City services and programs including double-up days, environmental events, and leaf and yard collection.

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JUNE 2016

Where to Purchase or Replace Bins, Boxes and Tags

There are many convenient locations across Vaughan where you can purchase waste collection containers and tags:



GREEN BINS, BLUE BOXES AND GARBAGE TAGS

- City of Vaughan Joint Operations Centre, 2800 Rutherford Rd.
- Al Palladini Community Centre, 9201 Islington Ave.
- Dufferin Clark Community Centre, 1441 Clark Ave. W.
- Garnet A. Williams Community Centre, 501 Clark Ave. W.
- Maple Community Centre, 10190 Keele St.
- North Thornhill Community Centre, 300 Pleasant Ridge Ave.
- Vellore Village Community Centre, 1 Villa Royale Ave.
- Vaughan Environmental Day events held throughout the year



COMPOSTERS AND KITCHEN CONTAINERS

- City of Vaughan Joint Operations Centre, 2800 Rutherford Rd.
- Vaughan Environmental Day events held throughout the year



GARBAGE TAGS ONLY

- Vaughan City Hall, 2141 Major Mackenzie Dr.
- Chancellor Community Centre, 350 Ansley Grove Rd.
- Father E. Bulfon Community Centre, 8141 Martin Grove Rd.
- Woodbridge Pool and Memorial Arena, 5020 Highway 7

Visit **vaughan.ca/waste** for costs and details.

REPLACEMENTS FOR DAMAGED CITY-ISSUED GREEN BIN/BLUE BOX

No-charge replacements for damaged City-issued green bins and blue boxes are available only at:

- City of Vaughan Joint Operations Centre, 2800 Rutherford Rd.
- Vaughan Environmental Day events held throughout the year













Residents must bring in their City-issued damaged green bin, blue box or kitchen container to be eligible for a no-charge replacement.

NOTE: Damaged garbage bins will not be replaced by the City.



REMINDERS:

- The City does not issue refunds for green bins, blue boxes, garbage tags, backyard composters or kitchen containers.
- Participating stores also sell green bins and blue boxes. Prices may vary. Purchased green bins and blue boxes used in the City's program must be similar in size to those distributed by the City. **Damaged non City-issued bins will not be replaced by the City. Oversized containers will not be collected.**

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JULY 2016

It Was Left Behind Because ...

There is often a good reason why waste materials are not collected. Please remember that waste not set out according to the City's Waste Collection program will not be picked up.

COMMON REASONS FOR REFUSED COLLECTIONS:











- Bags/containers over the three-item garbage limit without a paid garbage tag
- Cardboard is not flattened and bundled
- Cardboard exceeds size limits
- Excessive contamination or non-recyclable materials in the blue box, green bin or leaf and yard waste container
- Leaf and yard waste container is unmarked and/or lid has not been removed

- Materials placed in oversized or improper containers
- Non-collectible waste
- Overflowing waste containers
- Overweight item
- Set in a snowbank

COMMON REASONS FOR MISSED COLLECTIONS:


- Items not out by 7 a.m.
- Items hidden, inaccessible or set in a snowbank
- Items placed too far back from the curb
- Materials not scheduled for collection that day/week





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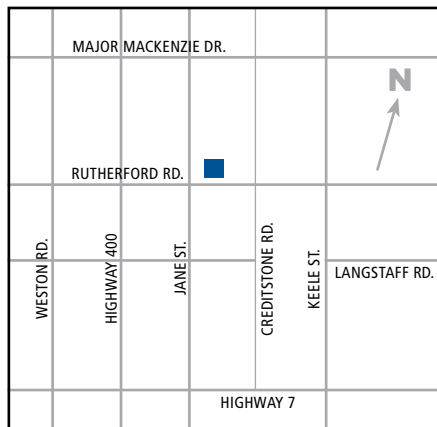
York Region Drop-Off Depots



York Region drop-off depots provide convenient locations to drop off a variety of materials, including those that are not picked up during regular curbside collection. For more information and hours of operation, visit york.ca/wastedepots or call 1-866-665-6752.

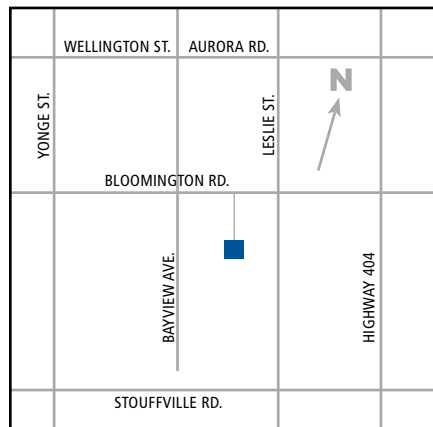
HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE (HHW) DEPOT

York Region HHW Vaughan Depot
2840 Rutherford Rd., Vaughan



LEAF AND YARD WASTE
























Bloomington Yard Waste Depot
1351 Bloomington Rd. E., Richmond Hill



REUSABLE AND RECYCLABLE ITEMS

**York Region McCleary Court
Community Environmental Centre (CEC)**
130 McCleary Crt., Vaughan



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04  	Labour Day 05 Municipal offices closed	06	07	08	09	10
		   <i>Double-Up Days</i>   				
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25  	26	27	28	29	30	01
						EVERY OTHER WEEK leaf and yard waste collection ENDS

SEPTEMBER 2016

How to Dispose of ...

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE (HHW)

Anything in your home that is labelled poisonous, corrosive, explosive or flammable must be disposed of safely. Vaughan residents can drop off hazardous waste free of charge at the York Region HHW Vaughan Depot, 2840 Rutherford Rd.

ELECTRONIC WASTE (E-WASTE)

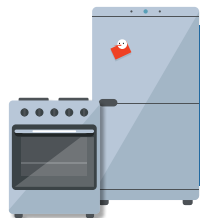
Electronic items should not be thrown in the garbage as they may contain hazardous materials.

Here are some examples:

- Computers, monitors, printers
- Stereos, VCR/DVD players, radios
- Telephones, cellphones, pagers, answering machines
- Cameras and video projectors
- Electronic thermostats without mercury

Disassembled electronics will not be accepted.

Visit **york.ca/bindicator** for a complete list of acceptable materials.



**Large appliance and metal items
are collected by appointment only.**

A fee applies for the municipal collection
of large appliances.

LARGE METAL RECOVERY COLLECTION

Consider alternative disposal options:

- If your appliance is in good working order, consider donating it to a charity or family in need
- Take your appliance to a York Region Community Environmental Centre (fees may apply)
- Contact a private scrap metal dealer
- Contact the Ontario Power Authority (OPA) at **saveonenergy.ca** for information on its free fridge and freezer pickup program

For Municipal Collection

To arrange for municipal collection of a large metal recovery item, please contact the City of Vaughan Public Works department at 905-832-8562 or visit the Joint Operations Centre at 2800 Rutherford Rd.

Payment Options














- Credit cards accepted by phone at 905-832-8562
- Credit cards, cash, cheque or debit accepted in person at the Joint Operations Centre, 2800 Rutherford Rd.



ACCEPTABLE MATERIALS

Fridge, stove, dishwasher, freezer, dryer, barbeque (tank removed), washer, water heater, furnace, dehumidifier, metal water softener (sand removed), metal bathtub, pool heater, etc.

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OCTOBER 2016













During Winter Months ...

Waste materials should not be placed on roads or behind/on top of snowbanks. Collectible materials should be placed on the right side of your driveway approximately 0.9 metres (three feet) from the curbside.

The right side of the driveway is defined as the right side when standing at the curb facing the house. These tips will reduce the chance of waste materials being damaged and/or buried by snow during snowplowing operations.

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NOVEMBER 2016

Safe Disposal of Fat, Oil and Grease

How you dispose of fat, oil and grease can have a serious impact on your home and the environment. When poured down the sink, drain or toilet, they can clog sewer pipes.



Fats, oils and grease are byproducts of cooking.

These include:

- Butter and margarine
- Shortening and lard
- Salad dressings
- Cooking oils (including deep frying oils)
- Sauces and gravies

SAFE DISPOSAL

- Fat, oils and grease are organic waste that should be placed in your green bin
- Before washing cooking equipment and dirty dishes, wait for fats, oils and grease to harden, then wipe with a paper towel or scrape it into the green bin
- If fats, oils and grease are in liquid form, leave them to cool and then empty into the green bin
- Liquid cooking oil that won't solidify can be dropped off at one of York Region's waste depots for recycling into biodiesel






HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE (HHW) DEPOT

York Region HHW Vaughan Depot
2840 Rutherford Rd., Vaughan



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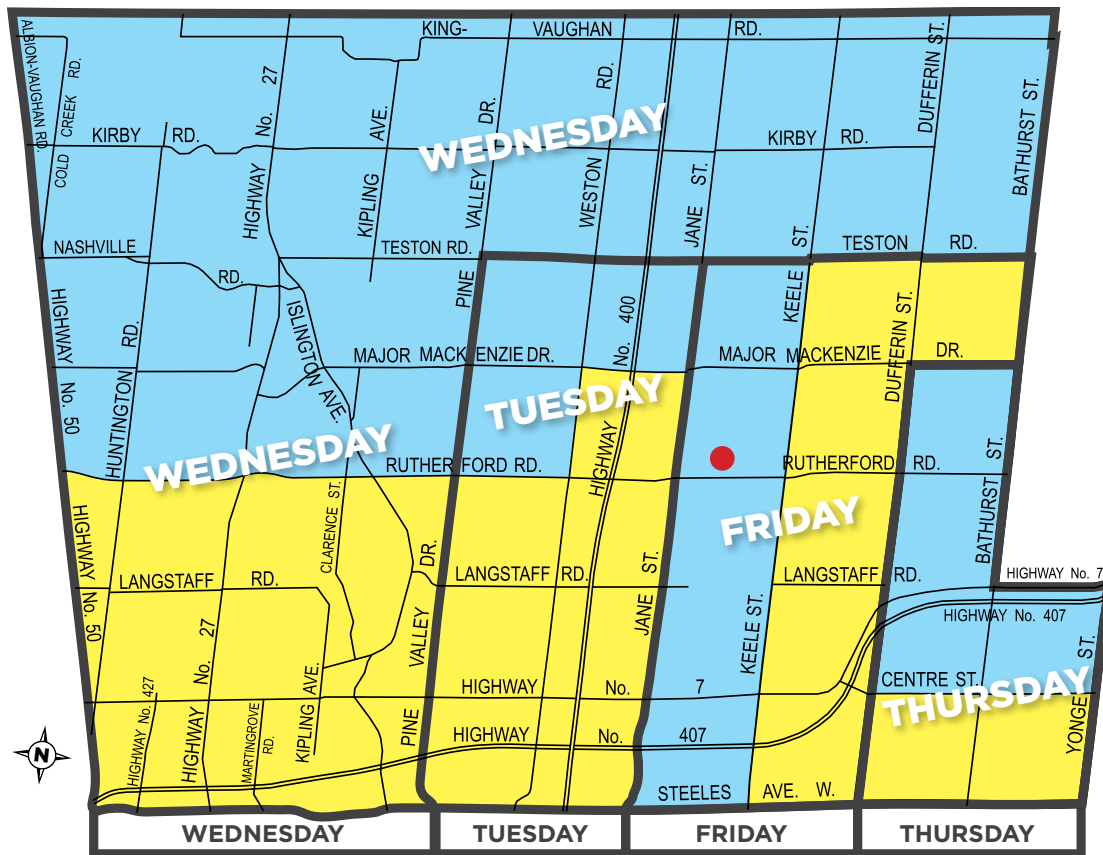
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FESTIVE CLOSURES:
 For information,
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DECEMBER 2016

Waste and Recycling Collection Map



Garbage and summer leaf and yard waste are collected every other week. To determine your collection day and colour zone, follow the corresponding colour/day throughout the calendar.

Also check your schedule online by visiting **vaughan.ca/waste**

Zone boundaries are the centre of the road



● **City of Vaughan Public Works
Joint Operations Centre**

2800 Rutherford Rd.

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