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The City of Caldwell is committed to sustainability when it comes to being responsible for our community's resources. We continually look for ways to provide added value for our customers. We do this while considering ways to protect our environment and keep rates down for services provided to our citizens. Last year, the Caldwell City Council approved the renewal of the contract to keep Republic Services as the sanitation provider for the city. Included in this approval was a fee increase.

Effective October 2023 bills increased by 4.95% for all customers. Beginning April 1, rates will change again when recycling is added for all customers as part of their trash service. Residents can opt out of the recycling program; however, that <u>will not</u> reduce the monthly rate for service. In April, trash and recycling rates will total \$19.23.

Republic Services does offer senior and veterans discounts.

A recycling program is necessary for the City of Caldwell to assist with slowing down the filling of the Pickles Butte Landfill. Once a landfill is full, the next step is to rail transport the garbage, which is an expensive option.

A complete recycling guide will be delivered with the new recycling carts in March. For information on the senior/veteran discount call 208-455-3000 extension 1. For general information on trash or recycling go to <u>Caldwell, ID Trash & Recycling | Republic Services</u>