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## Want to cut litter? Start with the container

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The problem of blowing litter is not confined to the alleys of Hobbs. Look in any vacant lot, field or even along the sidewalks and you can find trash.

"It is one of the biggest problems is people do not pick up after themselves," said Sally Seed of Hobbs Beautiful and the Committee for Hobbs.

And even though there are biennial cleanup days and an incentive program that will pay groups to clean up certain areas in the city, the problem always remains.

"It seems insurmountable sometimes," said Crist Coffman of Committee for Hobbs.

One of the major causes of blowing trash is people who don't put litter in its proper receptacle; another major cause is trash from alleys.

Ron Gray, district manager for Waste Management in Hobbs, said it is not a lot of work

to keep trash from blowing down and out of alleyways.

"Using a few simple techniques, we can keep our neighborhoods clean by preventing litter," Gray said. "Through public education we can build successful partnership to achieve our goal of making southeastern New Mexico the cleanest area in the nation."

High winds common in Lea County help move litter all over the area. Gray and Waste Management have some suggestions to keep trash off the ground.

When you get ready to put your garbage in the alley for pickup, make sure it is bagged and the bag is tied.

"A bag that is not tied is as useless as a container with no lid," Gray said.

Also make sure all the containers have lids and

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Albert Hernandez dumps trash into Goliath, the largest Waste Management truck that services Lea County.

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that the lids are on tightly — including Waste Management carts. Carts and containers should not be overfilled, especially if the container does not have a lid.

If your cart or container is full, do not stack additional garbage on top of the lid. Put extra trash in tied bags on the side of the cart. Flatten and bundle cardboard boxes to fit in the container.

"I see one of the biggest problems is people do not pick up after themselves," Seed said. "Children are not trained to not throw their papers on the ground."

The bottom line for Seed is taking personal responsibility for your own actions.

"I am talking about personal responsibility," she said. "I am talking about not putting dirty diapers in parking lots or empty six packs of beer on the ground."



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