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Kerbside bin contamination crusaders vie for \$200 vouchers

Calling bin contamination crusaders in Atwell, Bibra Lake, Coolbellup, Hammond Park, Munster, Spearwood, Success and Yangebup. It's your turn to vie for one of five \$200 vouchers!

The contamination reduction incentive super charges the City of Cockburn's bin auditing education program, which has been operating for five years.

The year's first series in April showed a high number of households in Beeliar, Hamilton Hill, Coogee, Aubin Grove, Yangebup, Coolbellup, Munster and Success were successfully keeping their bins free of contamination.

Waste Education Coordinator Clare Courtauld said promising data from Cockburn's bin audit program showed it was working, proving residents were open to education around taking responsibility for the correct disposal of their own waste.

"From March to July this year, the percentage of garden organics bins containing contamination reduced by 36 per cent, recycling bins with contamination reduced by 15 per cent and the general waste bins with contamination reduced by 40 per cent in all areas," Ms Courtauld said.

"The bin audits aim to reduce the amount of contamination in recycling and green waste bins, preventing their contents from being needlessly sent to landfill."

Bin auditors inspect the City's kerbside bins and provide feedback to households to help them improve waste sorting and avoid contamination.

Bin auditors will visit new zones within each suburb, so no properties selected will have been previously been tagged this year.

The vouchers can be spent at a selection of local businesses. All residents need to do to enter the competition is present all three of their waste bins with no contamination.



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The program will run until mid-December and the five winners of the \$200 vouchers will be drawn on December 17.

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