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Special Leaf Collection is Coming!

The New York City Department of Sanitation has announced leaf collection plans for city residents. The collected leaves will be turned into compost and added to soil to nourish street trees, soil and parks. The Department will collect leaves in paper leaf bags, unlined containers or, for residents participating in the curbside composting program, in the Department's curbside composting brown bins. Do not use plastic bags.

- **Special Leaf Collection:**

- **Bronx** Community Boards 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12
- **Queens** Community Boards 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14

Set out leaves curbside in paper lawn and leaf bags or unlined bins after 4 p.m. on Saturday, December 11, 2021 for collection beginning Sunday, December 12.

- **Brooklyn** Community Boards 1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18
- **Staten Island** Community Boards 1, 2, 3

Set out leaves curbside in paper lawn and leaf bags or unlined bins after 4 p.m. on Saturday, December 18, 2021 for collection beginning Sunday, December 19.

Residents should set out their leaves in a paper leaf bag or an open, unlined container. **Do not use plastic bags.**

- **Residents living in areas with curbside composting:**

Residents participating in the "brown bin" curbside composting collection program already receive leaf collection service, as yard waste is an accepted item. Those residents may place their leaves in their brown bins, in paper leaf bags, or in unlined rigid containers, at the curb for pick-up according to their curbside composting collection schedule. **Do not use plastic bags.**

Visit <http://nyc.gov/leafcollection> for more information.

About the New York City Department of Sanitation

The Department of Sanitation (DSNY) keeps New York City healthy, safe and clean by collecting, recycling and disposing of waste, cleaning streets and vacant lots, and clearing snow and ice. The Department operates 59 district garages and manages a fleet of more than 2,000 rear-loading collection trucks, 450 mechanical brooms and 705 salt spreaders. The Department

clears litter, snow and ice from approximately 6,500 miles of City streets and removes debris from vacant lots as well as abandoned vehicles from City streets.