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It's Leaf Collection Season! Department of Sanitation Announces Special Leaf Collection Schedule

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 the Department's curbside composting brown bins. Do not use plastic bags.

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

The 3.5 million residents living in areas receiving "brown bin" curbside composting collection **already receive leaf collection service**, as yard waste is included in the program. 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 regular curbside composting collection schedule. **Do not use plastic bags.** Visit nyc.gov/compost for maps of curbside composting neighborhoods.

- **Residents in many other areas:**

Set out after 4 p.m. on Saturday, November 16 or Saturday, November 30 for residents living in:

- Bronx Community Boards 5, 7 and 9
- Brooklyn Community Boards 5, 9, 14, 17 and 18
- Staten Island Community Boards 1 (only those without organics curbside service), 2 and 3

Set out after 4 p.m. on Saturday, November 23 or Saturday, December 7, for residents living in

- Queens Community Boards 1, 3, 4, 6 and 12

Residents should set out their leaves in a paper leaf bag or an open, unlined container. **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/sand 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.