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It's Leaf Collection Season!

Department of Sanitation Announces Leaf Collection Schedule & Leaf Bag Giveaways

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 NYC Organics brown bins. Do not use plastic bags.

Residents living in NYC Organics areas:

The 3.5 million residents living in “brown bin” NYC Organics curbside collection areas **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 containers, at the curb for pick-up according to their regular organics collection schedule. **Do not use plastic bags.** Visit nyc.gov/organics for maps of NYC Organics curbside collection neighborhoods.

For many residents living outside NYC Organics areas:

Set out after 4 p.m. on Saturday, November 17 or Saturday, December 1 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 24 or Saturday, December 8

- 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.**

Maps of community boards receiving special leaf collections and those receiving NYC Organics collection, along with additional information is available at <http://nyc.gov/leafcollection>.

Need a Leaf Bag?

The Department of Sanitation partners with community groups and non-profits across to city to host paper leaf bag giveaways. All giveaways are posted at <http://nyc.gov/leafcollection>.

About the New York City Department of Sanitation

The Department of Sanitation (DSNY) promotes a healthy environment through the efficient management of solid waste and the development of environmentally sound long-range planning for handling refuse, including recyclables. The Department operates 59 district garages and manages a fleet of more than 2,000 rear-loading collection trucks, 450 mechanical brooms and 695 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.