

Solid Waste Authority of Palm Beach County News

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Fourth of July Holiday Will Not Impact Waste Collection in Unincorporated PBC

The Solid Waste Authority of Palm Beach County (SWA) will be observing the Fourth of July holiday on Monday, July 5. However, garbage, recyclables and yard waste collection will not be impacted for residents and businesses in unincorporated Palm Beach County. While SWA administrative offices will be closed, a limited number of Customer Service team members will be available to assist residents with any garbage or recyclable collection questions or concerns. SWA Customer Service can be reached at 561-697-2700 or 866-792-4636.

Solid Waste Authority of Palm Beach County disposal facilities will be open and haulers in unincorporated Palm Beach County will run their regular routes. Residents should place all garbage, recyclables and yard waste curbside by 6 a.m. as usual.

Residents in unincorporated Palm Beach County can always see their updated collection schedule, set reminders, and sign up for collection information by clicking the "My Pick-Up Days" link at the top of SWA.org.

If you live in one of Palm Beach County's 39 municipalities, contact your municipality directly for their holiday collection schedule. A [list of municipal contacts](#) can be found online.

There are only two observed holidays during which residents in unincorporated Palm Beach County will not receive garbage service:

- Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, Nov. 25, 2021
- Christmas Day, Saturday, Dec. 25, 2021

There will be normal scheduled collection services for unincorporated residents on the following holidays:

- Labor Day – Monday, Sept. 6, 2021
- Veteran's Day – Thursday, Nov. 11, 2021
- Christmas Eve – Friday, Dec. 24, 2021 (SWA Administration Observed)
- New Year's Eve – Friday, Dec. 31, 2021 (SWA Administration Observed)
- New Year's Day – Saturday, Jan. 1, 2022

More information on [holiday collection](#) can be found online, as can additional information about SWA [facilities and hours](#).

REMINDER: It's officially hurricane season, and preparations can help minimize property damage and make our communities safer. Once a storm threatens, it's too late to trim trees, so now is the time to complete major vegetation trimming.

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The Solid Waste Authority of Palm Beach County is a Dependent Special District that was created by the Florida Legislature in 1975. Since then, the SWA has developed an award-winning integrated solid waste management system to handle the county's waste and recyclables. We call ourselves AWAY: whether you throw it, recycle it or flush it AWAY, we put your waste to work. Each year, we:

- Process more than 100,000 tons of [recyclables](#) each year
- Combust approximately 1.8 million tons of trash each year to generate electricity at [renewable energy facilities](#)
- Produce enough electricity to power approximately 74,000 homes, about the number of homes in Boca Raton and Palm Beach Gardens
- Recycle more than 150,000 tons of [wastewater treatment residuals](#) (sludge from flushes) into environmentally-friendly fertilizer
- Safely dispose of more than 4 million pounds of [home hazards](#) a year
- Collect water off of the roofs of [Renewable Energy Facility 2](#) and store it in a 2 million gallon cistern, which is used as part of the energy making process

With the recent changes to the SWA's website, anyone can now sign up to receive SWA news, calendar updates, jobs, or other Web postings of interest by [signing up online](#). Should you sign up online to receive SWA's news releases, we can remove you from this distribution by sending a REMOVE reply to this email.

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