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Juneteenth Holiday Will Not Impact Waste Collection in Unincorporated Palm Beach County

Promo Graphic: Attached

For residents and businesses in unincorporated Palm Beach County, garbage, recyclables, yard waste and bulk waste will be collected on Juneteenth, Monday, June 19. Solid Waste Authority of Palm Beach County (SWA) disposal facilities will be open. 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.

While SWA administrative offices will be closed, a limited number of Customer Service team members will be available to assist residents with garbage or recycling collection questions or concerns. Solid Waste Authority Customer Service can be reached at 561-697-2700 or 866-792-4636.

Residents in unincorporated Palm Beach County can view their current collection schedule, set reminders and sign up for collection information through the "My Pick-Up Days" tool on the SWA website.

Residents who live in one of Palm Beach County's 39 municipalities should contact their municipality directly for their holiday collection schedule. A <u>list of municipal</u> contacts can be found on the SWA website.

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

- Thanksgiving Day: Thursday, Nov. 23, 2023
- Christmas Day: Monday, Dec. 25, 2023

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

- Independence Day: Tuesday, July 4, 2023
- Labor Day: Monday, Sept. 4, 2023
- Columbus Day: Monday, Oct. 9, 2023
- Veteran's Day: Friday, Nov. 10, 2023
- Christmas Eve: Sunday, Dec. 24, 2023
- New Year's Eve: Sunday, Dec. 31, 2023
- New Year's Day: Monday, Jan. 1, 2024

Visit the SWA's website for more information on <u>holiday collection</u>, as well as SWA facilities and hours.

REMINDER: Hurricane season started June 1. Hurricane season 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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About the Solid Waste Authority of Palm Beach County

The Solid Waste Authority of Palm Beach County (SWA or Authority) 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 almost 90,000 tons of <u>recyclables</u>
- Burn approximately 1.8 million tons of trash generate electricity at renewable energy facilities
- Produce enough electricity to power approximately 90,000 homes
- Recycle more than 150,000 tons of <u>wastewater treatment residuals</u> (sludge from flushes) into an environmentally-friendly fertilizer amendment
- Safely dispose of more than 4.2 million pounds of <u>home hazards</u>
- Collect rainwater from the roofs of <u>Renewable Energy Facility 2</u> and store it in a 2-million gallon cistern, which is used as part of the energy making process

Anyone can <u>sign up on the SWA's website</u> to receive SWA news, calendar updates, job announcements or other web postings of interest. Should you sign up online to receive SWA's news releases, we can remove you from the distribution list by sending a reply with the subject "REMOVE" as a reply to this email.

Connect with the Solid Waste Authority of Palm Beach County at swa.org or on social media:

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