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Labor Day Holiday Will Not Impact Waste Collection in Unincorporated Palm Beach County

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The Solid Waste Authority of Palm Beach County (SWA) will be observing the Labor Day holiday on Monday, Sept. 4. However, garbage, recyclables and yard waste collection will not be impacted for residents and businesses in unincorporated Palm Beach County.

SWA 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.

While the 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.

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

If you live in one of Palm Beach County's 39 municipalities, contact your municipality directly for their holiday collection schedule. A <u>list of municipal contacts</u> 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. 23, 2023
- Christmas Day: Monday, Dec. 25, 2023

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

- 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 <u>facilities</u> <u>and hours</u>.

If replacing your U.S. flag in honor of the holiday, bring your old flags to any of the <u>Home Chemical and Recycling Centers</u> for proper, honorable disposal. More information about U.S. flag disposal is on the SWA's <u>website</u>, and you can watch our <u>ad on proper flag disposal</u>.

REMINDER: Hurricane season started June 1. <u>Hurricane season preparations</u> 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 100,000 tons of <u>recyclables</u>
- Combust approximately 1.8 million tons of trash to generate electricity at renewable energy facilities
- Produce enough electricity to power approximately 90,000 homes
- Recycle more than 130,000 tons of <u>wastewater treatment residuals</u> (sludge from flushes) into an environmentally-friendly fertilizer amendment
- 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.

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