



CITY OF SEDALIA

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PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

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CITY OF SEDALIA OFFERS SERVICES TO ASSIST RESIDENTS WITH YARD WASTE CLEAN-UPS

(SEDALIA, MISSOURI): The City of Sedalia wants to remind residents of services offered by the Sanitation and Recycling Department to assist with fall clean-ups and ongoing leaf and tree debris disposal.

One service provides residents with two scheduled 2-cubic yard pick-ups of leaf and tree waste per calendar year. This service is included as part of the property owner's sanitation fee. Two-cubic yards is roughly the amount that would fit into a full size pick-up truck bed. If the total volume of material picked-up exceeds 4-cubic yards or if 3 or more pick-ups are needed at a property, a fee will apply. As the City composts the yard waste collected, plastic garbage bags cannot be used. Yard waste such as grass clippings and leaves must be placed in biodegradable paper bags or rigid sided containers, such as garbage cans or milk crates which allows the yard waste to be dumped into the sanitation truck. Brush, sticks and tree limbs may be bundled tightly with string or stacked at the curb. Material placed at the curb should be placed away from power lines or other overhead obstructions that would prevent the material from being loaded into the sanitation truck.

The second service is a bi-monthly yard waste and tree trimming collection service for residents who may not have access to a vehicle, time or the ability to transport these materials to a yard waste collection site. This is an optional service provided by the Sanitation and Recycling Department for an additional fee. The service is provided from March through November. The cost of the service is \$2.00 per month and a senior discounted rate of \$1.70 per month is available for those individuals age 60 and over.

For purposes of this service, yard waste consists of grass clippings, leaves, tree limbs and other vegetative debris resulting from the normal grooming and pruning of lawns and landscapes. The City also composts yard waste materials collected through this service, as a result, plastic garbage bags cannot be used. Yard waste must be placed in biodegradable paper bags or rigid sided containers to allow for the material to be dumped into the sanitation truck. Brush, sticks and tree limbs may be bundled tightly with string or placed at the curb. Sticks and tree limbs must not exceed a maximum of 3 feet in length and each bundle should weigh no more than 25 pounds.

If a resident has questions about these yard waste services or to schedule a yard waste pick-up, the property owner should call the Sanitation and Recycling Department at (660) 827-7820 between 7:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.