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SPRING IS HERE: CITY OFFERS LEAF PICKUP FOR RESIDENTS

Collection begins Monday in Zone 1; continues until Zone 8 is completed

MUSCATINE, Iowa – Spring is here and with that comes the annual pilgrimage to break out the rakes and remove the last vestiges of winter by cleaning up left over yard waste. The Department of Public Works (DPW) is prepared to assist residents with their cleanup efforts again this year with the annual Spring leaf collection starting Monday (April 4).



DPW leaf vacuum trucks will be out on the streets of Muscatine starting Monday collecting leaves that have been raked, or carried, to the boulevard in front of a homeowner's residence. The trucks will begin with Zone 1 and continue until all eight zones are completed.

Residents should have their leaves gathered and piled on the boulevard in front of their residences before collection begins on Monday.



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Residents can also contact Public Works by phone (563-263-8933) or email pwrequest@muscatineiowa.gov for more information on spring leaf collection or visit [Street Cleaning](#) for additional information.

This is the only time leaf collection will be conducted during the Spring season. Residents are reminded that they can bag their own leaves and take them to the Compost Facility at the Muscatine Transfer Station. (See [COMPOST FACILITY](#))

General guidelines for leaf pickup:

- Leaves should be placed near but not beyond the curb, and should be within reach of the leaf vacuum. Leaves should be free of tree branches and twigs as they can cause the leaf vacuums to clog up.
- All leaves must be placed outside of fenced areas.
- Leaves are not to be placed in the street to avoid clogging storm drains.
- Leaves should not be placed in street or extend into traffic lanes, thereby creating traffic hazards.
- Leaves should not be placed around obstacles such as mailbox posts, sign posts and light poles.
- Crews will not pick up leaves mixed with debris, logs, branches, rocks, plastic, metal or glass containers, or any other types of refuse.
- Leaves should not be placed on City cul-de-sacs, vacant land, or City property except on the public right-of-way along the curb/shoulder area.

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