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# News Release

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## Cooler temps signal arrival of annual fall Clean & Green

### *Oct. 13 clean-up event includes collection of HHW*

MURPHY (September 12, 2018) With autumn's lower temperatures, cooler breezes, and shorter days just around the corner, it's time for the City of Murphy's Fall Clean & Green event, this year presented with a slight modification from previous versions.

The Oct. 13 event will still be held at the Murphy City Hall drive, 206 North Murphy Road, and will still feature a drive through-drop off format, will still be free to Murphy residents and will still occur between 9 a.m. and noon.

The change involves the elimination of curbside pickup of household hazardous waste (HHW) and large electronic recycling. This year, these items will only be collected at the Clean & Green event.

"Previously, the HHW and large electronic recycling items were picked up curbside on the day of the Clean & Green event by the City's former solid waste contractor," says Teresa Thompson, Customer Service Manager. "This year, the current contractor, Republic Services, will have their vendor on-site at the event accepting these items, and there will be no curbside pickup of them."

Household hazardous waste includes wet paint, solvents, acids, strong cleaners, paint thinners, fertilizers, floor stripping liquids, weed killing chemicals, and similar toxic or otherwise dangerous chemicals.

At the same time, as in previous years, shoes, usable clothing, toys, cooking and eating utensils, and housewares will be collected, sorted and shared with organizations that provide this kind of service to residents in need.

"We'll also be accepting pet supplies and unopened pet food for the temporary residents of the Murphy Animal Shelter," she said. "The shelter will accept dog and cat food, toys, leashes, collars, harnesses, carriers and other pet-related items."

Among the material collected for disposal or recycling are light bulbs, batteries, and electronic recycling such as old printers, computers, televisions, monitors and other similar items. Document shredding will be offered as well. Denim material is also being collected in the Denim Go Green campaign, recycling the material into home insulation.

"This is an excellent time to clear out the garage of any left-over chemicals and paints from summer projects or unneeded lawn care fertilizers or weed killer solutions," said Thompson. "It's also a chance to go through the closets and kitchen cabinets for items that someone else might find useful."

Residents will be required to provide proof of residence such as a drivers license or utility bill.

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ABOUT MURPHY -- Murphy is a fast-growing community located in Collin County. The population is approximately 20,010, generally characterized as highly educated with a median household income well above the state average. With more than 80 percent of the land developed, the community is dominated by single-family residences. City planners strive to preserve a family-oriented community with a strong sense of place. Money Magazine has dubbed Murphy as the 27th Best Place to Live in America for small cities, and D Magazine placed Murphy as the fifth best suburb in the 2014 list, where it has consistently ranked in the top 10.