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# News Release

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## Fall Clean & Green event set for Saturday, Oct. 11

### *Three events that day help Keep Murphy Beautiful*

MURPHY (September 8, 2014) Three major events are scheduled to take place on Saturday, Oct. 11, all of which present opportunities for residents to help keep Murphy clean and green, says Customer Service Manager Candy McQuiston.

“On that day, we will host the fall Clean & Green recycling drop-off event at the City Hall driveway,” she said. “And, second, we’ll celebrate Arbor Day by planting some trees on the City Hall campus, and third, Progressive Waste Solutions will have trucks out for curbside pickup of hazardous household waste and large electronics recycling.” The tree planting and recycling events will start at 9 a.m. and continue until noon. Curbside pickup starts at 7 a.m.

Now in its third year, the Clean & Green recycling event will once again occupy a portion of the City Hall Complex’s parking lot. A one-way in, one-way out, drive-through drop-off route will be laid out for participants to drop off their recycling at specified points along the route. The driveway at City Hall will be clearly marked and people will be stationed at specific points along the route to help.

“Along with recycling plastic grocery bags, Styrofoam, small electronics, printer cartridges, batteries, tires and light bulbs, the event also provides citizens the opportunity to shred documents,” she said.

Usable building materials will be set aside in support of Habitat for Humanity of Collin County. And, items such as clothing, accessories, shoes, backpacks, toys and stuffed animals will be separated to support a project of the Murphy Middle School Environmental Club. The event is scheduled rain or shine.

And for those residents who call ahead, trucks will be out on Oct. 11 picking up hazardous household waste and large electronic items for recycling at no additional charge. Hazardous household waste, such as fertilizers, acids, solvents, cleaning solutions, paints and other dangerous or toxic materials will be picked up curbside on that morning. Also being collected curbside are large electronics for recycling like televisions and copiers.

“Only those residents who call or send an e-mail to Progressive Waste Solutions beforehand will be afforded this service,” she said. The number to call is 469-452-8000 and the e-mail address is [murphy@progressivewaste.com](mailto:murphy@progressivewaste.com). All requests must be made by phone or email by Oct. 10, at 4 p.m.

“The Clean & Green recycling event has become a popular attraction,” added McQuiston. “Our partners at Progressive have helped it gain lots of fans.”

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**ABOUT MURPHY** -- Murphy is a fast-growing community located in Collin County. The population is approximately 18,020, generally characterized as highly educated with a median household income above the state average. With more than 70 percent of the land developed, the community is dominated by single-family residences. City planners strive to preserve a country feel while exhibiting an aggressive economic development stance. The centrally-located municipal complex includes four buildings that house Fire, Police, City Administration and Public Works. Money Magazine has dubbed Murphy as the 27<sup>th</sup> 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.