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# News Release

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## Offices close for New Year's Day, trash collection shifts

### *City prohibits use and possession of fireworks*

MURPHY (December 30, 2014) With the arrival of the New Year this week, Murphy residents are reminded of the one-day closure of the City's administrative offices, and the shift in trash and recycling collection, says Customer Service Manager Candy McQuiston.

"Administrative offices will close for New Year's Day," she said. "Even so, residents can feel comforted that all public safety services will be fully available as we welcome in 2015."

The holiday also means a shift in trash and recycling collection, although only for Thursday and Friday. There will be no collection service on Thursday, Jan. 1. All Thursday routes will be serviced on Friday, Jan. 2. Conversely, Friday's routes will be serviced on Saturday, Jan. 3.

"This is the standard holiday schedule for trash and recycling," she added. "Whenever a holiday occurs in the middle of the week, everything shifts forward one day from the day of the holiday."

Natural Christmas trees may be left curbside as well, as long as they are cleared of lights, ornaments, tinsel, garland or any other material. Flocked trees are not recyclable, so they must be wrapped in plastic before being left on the curb.

Contact Customer Service for more information at (972) 468-4100.

Finally, City ordinances prohibit the use or possession of retail fireworks. Their use can cause extremely serious consequences to life and property. Violators are subject to fines and other penalties.

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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.