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MAYOR McCORMAC UNVEILS NEW PUBLIC WORKS "MENU OF SERVICES" DURING TOUR OF KEASBEY CONVENIENCE & RECYCLING CENTER...

Fall Leaf Collection Now Underway... Free Biodegradable Paper Leaf Bags Available to Residents...

Woodbridge Twp. – Continuing to improve and expand environmentally-friendly and cost-effective public works programs and services, Woodbridge Mayor John E. McCormac today unveiled an expanded "Menu of Services" available to Township residents at the Public Works "Convenience & Recycling Center" in Keasbey. The Mayor also announced that Sanitation crews have begun the fall curb-side pick-up of leaves "bagged" in biodegradable papers bags (available free from the Department of Public Works).

"The 'Convenience & Recycling Center' opened earlier this year and has been a hub of activity for Township residents who choose to drop off their bulk waste items rather than have them picked up at the curb for a fee," Mayor McCormac said. "Programs and services such as the 'Convenience & Recycling Center,' distributing free biodegradable paper bags for fall leaf collection, the annual curb-side bulk waste and garage sale program, and paving and resurfacing streets and municipal and school parking lots and driveways are part of continuing efforts to improve municipal services without expanding costs."

According to Dennis Henry, Director of Public Works, the 2007 fall leaf collection program is now underway – with more than 500,000 environmentally-friendly biodegradable paper bags distributed to Township residents. Curb-side pickup of bagged leaves temporarily replaces one weekly trash pickup until the conclusion of bagged leaf pickup on Dec. 7, when twice per week trash pickup resumes. Because of holiday pickup schedules, residents who have garbage pickup on **Monday** will have leaves collected on **Nov. 1, 8, 15, 21, 29, and Dec. 6**. Residents who have garbage pickup on **Tuesday** will have leaves collected on **Nov. 2, 9, 16, 28, 30, and Dec. 7**. For more information on the collection of bagged leaves contact the Township Office of recycling at 732-738-1311 x3049.



Woodbridge Mayor John E. McCormac announces the “menu of services” now available at the Township Convenience & Recycling Center located at the Keasbey Public Works yard. Since the opening of the “Convenience & Recycling Center,” approximately 912 tons of bulk waste, 74 tons of metal and appliances, 640 tons of concrete, brick, block and asphalt and 241 tons of brush have been collected and recycled or taken to a solid waste facility at a discounted rate for bulk waste disposal. Joining Mayor McCormac were Council President Brenda Yori Velasco and Carmine Barbato, Dennis Henry and Bernie Peterson of the Department of Public Works.

With the implementation of the “Convenience & Recycling Center,” located at [225 Smith Street in Keasbey \(under the Parkway Bridges\)](#), residents can now bring recycling and bulk waste items to the center for free. As a result of the huge response to the drop-off program, the Department of Public Works reports that the need for costly curb-side special pick-ups has dropped by almost fifty percent; for example, collection of appliances and metal previously collected three days per week has been reduced to one day per week.

Since the opening of the “Convenience & Recycling Center,” approximately 912 tons of bulk waste (furniture, bedding and large household items), 74 tons of metal and appliances, 640 tons of concrete, brick, block and asphalt and 241 tons of brush have been collected at the center and recycled or taken to a solid waste facility at a discounted rate for bulk waste disposal.

The “Convenience & Recycling Center” accepts [bulk waste items, appliances, concrete, dirt, asphalt, residential construction debris \(no commercial debris\), mixed metals, leaves and brush and recyclable electronics \(PC’s and lap tops, monitors, printers, keyboards, mouse attachments, scanners, TV’s, etc.\) free-of-charge](#). Residents dropping-off bulk waste items are required to present a drivers license or proof of Township residency. The “Convenience & Recycling Center” is open Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., on Saturday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and is closed on Sunday’s and holidays. For more information on the “Convenience & Recycling Center,” contact the Woodbridge Township Department of Public Works at 732-738-1311 x3049 or log-on to the Woodbridge Township Web Page at www.twp.woodbridge.nj.us (click on Recycling).

“The Municipal Council is pleased to join the Mayor in announcing the expanded ‘Menu of Services’ at the Township Convenience & Recycling Center,” said Council President Brenda Yori Velasco. “Woodbridge stands as a leading community when it comes to providing innovative and cost effective municipal services. We anticipate that Township residents will continue to take advantage of our Public Works’ services and programs.”