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Denver's LeafDrop Program Begins Monday!

Denver Recycles and Ace Hardware Join Forces to Offer Residents FREE Leaf Bags

DENVER, CO — As the leaves change colors and fall, make sure they don't go to waste by falling into a landfill! Let Denver Recycles turn your leaves into compost through the LeafDrop program, which starts on Monday, October 5. Materials collected during LeafDrop are composted and then made available to Denver residents for purchase in May.

WEEKDAY drop-off sites open October 5 – November 30

Monday – Friday, 8:00am to 2:00pm

All leaves brought during the week must be in secured bags. Paper bags are preferable.

- Cherry Creek Transfer Station – 7301 E. Jewell Ave. (Quebec St. & Cherry Creek Dr. South)
- Havana Nursery – 10450 Smith Rd. (Just south of I-70 on Havana St.)

WEEKEND drop-off sites open November 7 - November 22

Saturdays and Sundays, 11:00am to 3:00pm

Dropping off leaves during other times is considered illegal dumping.

- Cranmer Park – 3rd Ave. & Clermont St.
- Bruce Randolph High School – E. 40th Ave. & Steele St.
- South High School – Louisiana Ave. & Franklin St.
- Cherry Creek Transfer Station – 7301 E. Jewell Ave. (Quebec St. & Cherry Creek Dr. South)
- Sloan's Lake Park – 17th Ave. & Sheridan Blvd.
- Kennedy High School – Newland St. & Brown Pl.

Break the plastic bag habit and use paper bags instead! Denver residents can pick up a free five-pack of paper leaf and yard bags at participating Denver area Ace Hardware stores with a coupon. Visit denvergov.org/leafdrop to print a coupon and see the list of participating Ace Hardware stores.

Help us manage the LeafDrop program by following these guidelines:

- Drop sites and free Ace Hardware paper bag offer is for Denver residents only.
- Jack-O-Lanterns and pumpkins will be accepted for composting at drop sites after Halloween.
- Make sure leaves do not contain branches or other materials.
- Never rake or blow leaves into the street as this clogs storm sewers and street sweepers.

Denver's LeafDrop program is sponsored by the Denver Public Works Denver Recycles program, in partnership with A1 Organics. For more information about Denver Recycles' programs, call 311 (720-913-1311) or visit us online at denvergov.org/denverrecycles.

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