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Keep DeKalb Beautiful Offers Free Christmas Tree Curbside Pickup Service

DECATUR, Ga. – The DeKalb County Public Works Department's Sanitation Division recently announced **free curbside Christmas tree pickup service** for county residents. This service will continue through **Jan. 16, 2015**.

Keep DeKalb Beautiful (KDB), a unit of the Sanitation Division, is sponsoring this service, which offers county residents an opportunity to dispose of holiday Christmas trees sustainably and free of charge. All trees are converted to mulch.

"To date, many of our county residents have taken advantage of this welcome opportunity to dispose of their Christmas trees in a responsible way," said Keep DeKalb Beautiful Director Gordon Burkette. "We are delighted to offer this service as a component of our overall recycling initiative."

To participate, residents must remove all decorations from trees and place them curbside on their regularly scheduled recycling day. Tree segments must be 7 feet or less in length. Any trees taller than 7 feet can be disposed of by being taken to the Seminole Road Landfill, or contacting the Sanitation Division's Customer Service Department at 404-294-2900 for a special collection (fees will apply).

For more information about free curbside Christmas tree pickup or how to plan a beautification project with KDB, contact KDB at 404-371-2654 or kdb@dekalbcountyga.gov, or visit www.keepdekalbbeautiful.org.

DeKalb County is Georgia's third largest county with more than 700,000 residents calling it home. Known for its business and education hub, growing international community and natural wonders, DeKalb County Government is administered by Interim Chief Executive Officer Lee
May, and legislative policy is set by a seven-member Board of Commissioners.

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