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DeKalb Announces Details of Sanitation Service Change

Once-a-week collection to begin Monday, July 6

DECATUR, Ga. – DeKalb County Interim CEO Lee May, the Board of Commissioners, and the DeKalb Sanitation Division announce the launch of the one-day-a-week sanitation collection service change program. Named "Rolling Forward to One," the details and a timeline for the program were announced on Thursday, May 28 in a press conference at DeKalb Sanitation Headquarters.

"Since 2006, DeKalb residents have not seen an increase in sanitation fees," said ICEO May. "In addition to ensuring we continue this trend; the change brings us many internal and external benefits, including cost-savings to the County, neighborhoods that are cleaner and neater, and a reduction in injuries for our crews."



ICEO May announces DeKalb's sanitation service change. County residents will be provided green, 65-gallon roll carts. Pictured here, 35, 45, 65 and 95-gallon carts. Residents can downsize to a 35 or 45-gallon cart free, or upgrade to a 95-gallon cart for a one-time \$15 fee.

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The program's implementation timeline is as follows:

- Informational door hangers and direct mail correspondence advising residents of their new collection service day and "go live" date* for one-day-a-week collection service will be delivered starting **Friday, May 29**. Delivery will take approximately three to four weeks to complete.
- The delivery process for county-provided green 65-gallon garbage roll carts will begin by **Monday, July 6**. Delivery will take six to eight weeks to complete. Brochures outlining the new collection and cart procedures, a frequently asked questions (FAQs) document, and the remaining 2015 and entire 2016 holiday collection schedule will be delivered with each roll cart.
- Once-a-week collection is scheduled to begin on **Monday July 6**, even for customers who have not yet received their county-provided green garbage roll cart. Garbage, recycling and yard trimmings will all be collected on the same day.

Single-family residential customers will switch to once-a-week collection service as follows (subject to change)*:

- Monday once-a-week customers will begin on Monday, July 6, 2015
- Tuesday once-a-week customers will begin on Tuesday, July 7, 2015
- Wednesday once-a-week customers will begin on Wednesday, July 8, 2015
- Thursday once-a-week customers will begin on Thursday, July 9, 2015

More details, including specifics about the service change, the comprehensive list of FAQs, and dates of informational public meetings, can be found at the "Rolling Forward to One" program <u>website</u>.

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 <u>Interim Chief Executive Officer Lee May</u> and legislative policy is set by a seven-member <u>Board of Commissioners</u>.

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