

City Works



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Dates to Remember:

Sept. 21-22:

Carousel Festival

City Park
(513-5469)

Sept. 21:

Free E-Waste Collection & Paper Shredding

(222-5095)

Oct. 19:

Household Hazardous Waste Drop-Off

(376-8902)

Oct. 25 & 26:

Halloween Special Events

(222-5030)

Alamance County-Wide Crimestoppers



When a crime occurs, law enforcement agencies often still need more information before they can identify and arrest the perpetrator. One of the best sources they have for gaining this information is through tips from the public.

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2013-2014 Loose Leaf Collection

As Autumn arrives and the leaves begin to fall, **please note this year's loose leaf collection schedule and zone map on the back page of this City Works newsletter.** Please call the Public Works Department at 222-5005 or the Cemetery and Grounds Division at 222-5077 with questions related to leaf collection.

- Loose leaves should be piled behind the curb, or on the shoulder of streets without curb and gutter, by 7:00am on the Monday of the scheduled week of collection.
- Please do not pile leaves in the street, in drainage ditches, or over water meters.
- Do not park in front of or on leaf piles.
- Leaves which contain gravel, limbs, glass or other solid debris cannot be collected.
- Should you require more frequent leaf collection, you may place leaves in your yard waste can, box, or in clear plastic bags for collection on your regular trash day.
- Leaves can be collected on a "convenience schedule" during the month of February by calling 222-5077.
- More information and interactive mapping can be found at **www.BurlingtonNC.gov/leafcollection**

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My Trash Was Tagged, Now What?

The City's Solid Waste Services is working to educate residents about ordinances regarding garbage disposal. Your adherence to the ordinances allows the City to continue to provide cost effective and safe sanitation services and to keep the city clean.

If your garbage cart gets tagged with a NEON sticker, one of the following items will have a check or circle beside it:

Garbage Containers– The City's policy regarding litter and bagging requires residents to bag and securely tie all waste and trash before putting it into the black trash cart. Black bags are permitted inside the black carts. Placing your cart 5 feet from objects is to allow for easier access to the cart by the automated garbage trucks. Also, make sure there is 12 foot overhead clearance from obstructions to allow the truck to pick up the carts. Other items like recyclables, electronics and building products are not items collected by the city. Residents will need to make arrangements to transport those items to the landfill located at 2701 Austin Quarter Road, Graham for proper disposal.

Bulk Junk- When a tag is left concerning bulk items, it is generally for obstructions, building materials exceeding the (2) 32 gallon limit or exceeding 50lb per project. Paints, chemicals, E-waste and landscape debris such as mulch, dirt, rocks, bricks and timbers are not collected by the City.

Yard Waste (Brush, grass clippings, leaves, etc)- The City's policy regarding yard debris requires residents to place yard waste in clear heavy duty trash bags. The bags are to be placed at the curbside on the day of your regular trash collection. Bags must not exceed 50lbs and should be placed for easy access by collection crews. The City will not enter onto private property for collection. Use of personal containers is acceptable as long as they do not exceed 32 gallons in size or 50lb maximum weight. Brush with dirt balls, thorns or hazards are generally serviced by our bulk trucks using grapples. Any branches and limbs placed at the curbside to be collected by hand cannot exceed 4 inches in diameter and 6 ft. in length, placed neatly in small bundles.

Bulk Limbs- The City's policy regarding bulk limbs requires residents to place bulk limbs at the curbside for collection. This is not a scheduled service but will be collected as soon as possible when manpower availability allows the City to do so.

Garbage Collection- The City's policy is for the resident to place their carts out by 7:00 am and to retrieve the carts by 7:00PM.

This policy governing the placement of garbage containers, recycling containers and yard waste for collection, has been established to protect the appearance of neighborhoods and keep the streets free of obstacles for drivers, bicyclists and pedestrians. The City solid waste ordinance authorizes the Solid Waste Services Department to enforce the policy and regulations.

Any questions regarding tagged items can be answered by contacting the Sanitation Division at 222-5111

Alamance County-Wide Crimestoppers Cont.

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The Alamance County-Wide Crimestoppers is a nonprofit organization that began in 1981 with a mission to encourage the public to submit anonymous information that may lead to arrests in unsolved crimes by proving cash payouts for those tips. Crimestoppers also operates in Alamance-Burlington School System middle and high schools as Campus Crimestoppers.



So, how does it work? Anyone can call (336) 229-7100 to report a tip about crimes committed in any Alamance County jurisdiction. The phone is answered in the Burlington Police Department, but the line serves all Alamance communities. Calls come in only to a single rotary phone, without the rotary. There is no caller ID and calls to that line remain untraceable. The person answering the tip line will never ask for any identifying information from the caller. Students utilizing Campus Crimestoppers can either call 229-7100 or make a report directly to their school's Resource Officer.

Each caller is assigned a tip number when they call Crimestoppers. This serves as the only way that the caller may identify him or herself. When an arrest is made, or at any point after the tip is given, the caller may call back and ask if their tip led to an arrest. If a caller's tip leads to an arrest, payouts will be made. Payouts are made to the first caller that provides a tip leading to an arrest, unless multiple different tips are given and all lead to the arrest, in which case, multiple payouts can be made.

On the second Monday of every month the Crimestoppers Board meets to review the arrests made and the tips given that led to those arrests. The Board, consisting of county-wide business and community leaders, determines the amount of money to be awarded to the tipsters for each arrest. The funds for these awards are collected through community donations and are paid out at no expense to taxpayers or law enforcement budgets.

When a tipster calls the Crimestoppers line to inquire about the status of their tip, using their assigned number as their only identifier, and a payout is due to them, the tipster will be directed to go to a specific bank at which they may pick up their payment. The check can be endorsed and then cashed by the tipster with only the number assigned to them. No names or identifying information are ever required.

Crimestoppers works! There is currently a 98% conviction rate for those arrests made through Crimestoppers tips. 1,500 felonies have been cleared due to County-Wide Crimestoppers tips and five murders have been solved. Over \$75,000 in donated funds has been paid out for these tips and over one million dollars in property and drugs have been recovered. If you or someone you know thinks they have a tip regarding an unsolved crime or a wanted person in any county or state, call Crimestoppers! You can anonymously help bring criminals to justice and make our communities safer.

2013-2014 Loose Leaf Collection Schedule

Section 1

October 14-18
 October 28-November 1
 November 18-22
 December 30-January 3
 January 27-31

Section 3

October 21-25
 November 4-8
 December 9-13
 January 13-17

Section 2

October 14-18
 October 28-November 1
 December 2-6
 January 6-10

Section 4

October 21-25
 November 11-15
 December 16-20
 January 20-24

