## **Media Advisory**

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## **Bring One for the Chipper Christmas Tree Recycling Event**

~ The event also includes document shredding, household hazardous waste items and the collection of electronics ~

WHO: The Department of Public Works, The Clean City Commission and The Department of Public Utilities

WHAT: 14th Annual Bring One for the Chipper Christmas Tree Recycling Event

- Christmas Tree Recycling
  - Remove all decorations and lights
- Paper Document Shredding
  - Up to five (5) boxes of documents. Be sure to remove all binders, staples and clips
- **Electronics** (various fees apply)
  - Computer systems (hard drive or CPU) and accessories (cables, wires, keyboards, mice, speakers, etc.)
    VCRs, camcorders, stereos and all phones
  - Televisions, computer monitors and printers
  - Other used electronic equipment (almost anything with a plug see the online list for clarification)
  - Go to <u>www.rva.gov/public-works/clean-city-commission</u> to get fees and the full list of electronics to recycle

## Household Hazardous Waste Items

- o Pesticides, Herbicides and Oil-based Paints
- o Bug spray, rodent poison and herbicides (Roundup, Weed B Gon etc.)
- Latex and water based paints will **not** be collected. These items can be left in open paint cans until they have dried out and then put in with regular curbside trash pick-up.
- Note this is a drive-thru event, all residents must:
  - Stay in their car during the event and roll the windows down
  - Volunteers will remove items from the cars

WHEN: Saturday, January 14, 2023 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

WHERE: 1710 Robin Hood Road (northeast corner of Robin Hood Road and North Arthur Ashe Boulevard)

**BACKGROUND:** The City of Richmond's *E-Cycle Day* offers City residents an efficient option to recycle paper and electronics to help keep hazardous waste materials out of city waterways, streams and rivers. Recycling Christmas trees keeps them out of the landfill and allows them to be re-purposed and used as mulch. This event is available to city residents – proof of residency is required.

Residents can drop off their trees to 1710 Robin Hood Road the day of the event or prior to the event. There will be a designated area of the parking lot at 1710 Robin Hood Road for residents to place their trees. Residents can also take them to the East Richmond Road Convenience Center (ERRCC), located at 3800 East Richmond Road starting on Tuesday, December 27. The hours of operation at the ERRCC are 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday. The ERRCC will be closed December 30 through January 2, 2023. *Note: No trees will be accepted at 1710 Robin Hood Road after the event ends at 2 p.m. on January 14.* 

Curbside collection will be handled by the department's Bulk and Brush team. They will collect Christmas trees curbside from Tuesday, December 27 through Friday, January 13, 2023. All trees collected curbside or dropped off at the ERRCC will be recycled. Please place your Christmas tree (with no lights or decorations) beside your recycle bin and it will be picked up on your regular recycle collection day by the bulk and brush team.

For more information on recycling, please visit us online at <a href="https://www.rva.gov/public-works/clean-city-commission">www.rva.gov/public-works/clean-city-commission</a> or email us at AskPublicWorks@rva.gov

We're Social! For updates on DPW-related projects, activities and events visit us on Twitter @DPW\_RichmondVA

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The City of Richmond Department of Public Works (DPW) is one of only 195 currently accredited public works agencies in the United States. DPW's portfolio comprises a wide array of services to include leaf collection; street, sidewalk and alley maintenance; trash collection; recycling; grass cutting; graffiti removal; parking enforcement; urban forestry; street signs; traffic signals and pavement markings and civil engineering. In addition, DPW maintains upkeep on most city buildings; issues permits for working in the city's right-of-way; manages the RVA Bike Share program and maintains the fleet of city vehicles. DPW's operating budget comes from the general fund of the City of Richmond. For more information about DPW services, click here or call 3-1-1