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## DeKalb Continues Deployment of 95-Gallon Garbage Roll Carts

Curbside collection efficiency improved

**DECATUR, Ga.** – In support of the third phase deployment of automated side loader (ASL) collection trucks, the DeKalb County Sanitation Division will continue its 95-gallon garbage roll

cart curbside exchange project, starting Jan. 24, 2022.

During the fall of 2020, 43,000 households within the Central, East, and South service areas received 95-gallon garbage roll carts. As this phase continues, **14,000 more households** on select East DeKalb ASL garbage service routes within the cities of Stonecrest, Lithonia, and Stone Mountain, will be issued a larger capacity 95-gallon garbage roll cart in exchange for their existing 65-gallon garbage roll cart.

The 95-gallon roll cart decreases excess curbside garbage; improved curbside collection efficiency and serviceability; reduced employee workplace injuries; and decreased labor, fuel, and operating costs. This approach enhances the Sanitation Division's ability to successfully serve its rapidly increasing customer base.

The new 95-gallon roll cart improves curbside collection efficiency, decreases excess curbside garbage, and creates more aesthetically pleasing communities.

Households with 95-gallon garbage roll carts must follow the Sanitation Division's curbside preparation and collection procedures requiring the placement of all household garbage in secure, durable plastic bags and inside the roll carts. Excess curbside garbage placed outside of the 95-gallon roll carts will not be manually collected by Sanitation Division employees.

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This curbside exchange project will take place on regularly scheduled collection days, shortly after garbage collection has been completed by the Sanitation Division.

To determine if your household will receive a 95-gallon garbage roll cart, residents can visit <a href="www.dekalbsanitation.com">www.dekalbsanitation.com</a>, click on the homepage graphic referencing the curbside roll cart exchange project address verification, and follow the instructions provided.

The 95-gallon garbage roll cart is the standard county-issued garbage container. However, special consideration will be given to residents with medical conditions, disability, and other circumstances that make handling a larger capacity 95-gallon roll cart difficult. Residents who may qualify for special consideration should contact the Sanitation Division via email at <a href="mailto:95Exchange@dekalbcountyga.gov">95Exchange@dekalbcountyga.gov</a>.

This \$1.9 million phase three investment was proposed by DeKalb County CEO Michael Thurmond in the Fiscal Year 2020 budget, which was unanimously approved by the Board of Commissioners.

For more information, questions, or concerns about this project, contact the Sanitation Division's Customer Care team at 404-294-2900 or <a href="mailto:95Exchange@dekalbcountyga.gov">95Exchange@dekalbcountyga.gov</a>, visit <a href="https://www.dekalbsanitation.com">www.dekalbsanitation.com</a>, or follow @DKalbSanitation on Twitter.

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