

Media Release

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Spring leaf pick-up program coming soon!

A popular springtime program will happen next month in Vernon. The spring leaf pick-up program will take place **April 11 – 15, 2022**.

During this one-week program, Waste Connections of Canada will provide curbside collection of leaves and garden waste in clear plastic bags on your regular garbage collection day.

Vernon customers who receive curbside waste collection services may put out an unlimited number of transparent bags by 7 a.m. at the same location as your garbage collection pick-up.

If you choose to participate in the program, please remember:

- All bags must be transparent, allowing the contents to be visible.
- Any clear bags weighing more than 23 kilograms (50 lbs) will be considered overweight and will not be picked up.
- Missed bags not reported to the City of Vernon within 24 hrs will not be picked up.
- All coloured bags will be considered as household garbage that is limited to the usual container quota.

As you are cleaning up your yard or garden this spring, please do not rake leaves onto the street, as they block storm drains and jam the street sweeper.

The spring leaf pick-up program is an annual program that is separate from the upcoming residential curbside organics collection program, which is slated to begin in May 2022.

Residents are reminded that when the new organics collection program begins, kitchen and yard waste will be collected weekly, using new organics carts that will be delivered to properties throughout April. Once the new organics collection program is in place, the City will monitor the spring and fall leaf pick-up programs, and the annual spring chipping program, to determine whether future changes need to be made for those services. To learn more about the upcoming organics program, visit www.vernon.ca/organics.