LEAF COLLECTION PROGRAM

There are two collection programs

Please read this information carefully and thoroughly!

The program consists of three scheduled curbside vacuum collections and a leaf bag program.

3 SCHEDULED CURBSIDE VACUUM COLLECTIONS

The community is divided into three geographical zones. Each zone will be collected three times during the five-week program using leaf vacuum equipment. Every street will be collected one time during each of the **three** separate pickups. Residents will be required to rake their leaves to the parkway **prior** to their scheduled pickup date.

Each zone requires several days to complete. On the scheduled start date of that zone, the crews will start at the beginning of the zone to insure no customers are missed. Residents living on State Street, Kaneville Road and Keslinger Road are in Zone B.

ZONE A:	**EAST SIDE OF THE RIVER**

ZONE B	**WEST SIDE OF THE RIVER, NORTH OF STATE STREET (ROUTE 38) OR NORTH OF KANEVILLE AND NORTH OF KESLINGER**

ZONE C:	**WEST SIDE OF THE RIVER, SOUTH OF STATE STREET (ROUTE 38) OR SOUTH OF KANEVILLE RD AND SOUTH OF KESLINGER**

The latest schedule and collection progress map can be found on the City's website.

The City's contractor will not service residences that have designated homeowners' associations (HOA) to maintain their property.

Program Requirements

Residents must place their leaves on the parkway <u>no later than 7 a.m. of the Monday of your scheduled pickup period</u>. If leaves are placed on the parkway after the collection crews have gone by, they will not return until the next scheduled pickup date.

Each year, the order in which the zones are collected is alternated to provide equal service to all residents.

- ❑ PLACE LEAVES on the parkway parallel to the street and approximately 12 inches behind the curb or edge of pavement.

- ❑ Leaves cannot be placed in the street or in the curb/gutter. <u>This will obstruct the flow of storm water runoff during rain events AND causes street flooding.</u>

- ❑ Do not include any debris such as garden materials, brush, grass clippings, cans, paper, bottles, construction materials, etc.

- ❑ DO NOT place leaves on the parkway earlier than the weekend of your scheduled pickup week. Leaves must be place on the parkway by 7 a.m. on the Monday of your scheduled pickup period.

- ❑ **Do not to place leaves behind obstacles such as: parked vehicles, trees, mailboxes, fire hydrants, streetlights, etc.**

- ❑ **PLEASE NOTE: Cul-de-sacs are cleaned with smaller equipment due to turning requirements.**

- ❑ Please move temporary/portable basketball hoops off the parkway and away from the curb or edge of pavement.

- ❑ **Do not place leaf piles in the alleys. Place the leaf piles in front of your home. The collection equipment cannot navigate in the alleys due to the size of the equipment.**

LEAF BAG COLLECTION PROGRAM

❑ The bag leaf collection program runs throughout the month of December.

Residents must place the leaves in paper yard waste bags and place them out for collection on your scheduled refuse collection day. The City's waste hauler will collect yard waste bags weekly.

❑ **Refuse stickers are not required for leaf bags disposed of in December.**

❑ Leaves only must be placed in the yard waste bags. No grass or other yard waste can be mixed with the leaves.

Alternative Options

This program is not intended to collect all of the residents' leaves. There is a very small window of opportunity to collect the leaves from the time the leaves fall and when winter weather begins. Once the leaves are covered with snow, the leave vacuum machine cannot collect the leaves. Therefore residents are strongly encouraged to utilize alternative options with this program. These options are:

❑ Utilize a mulching lawnmower and mulch leaves back into the lawn. This provides nutrients for the soil.

❑ Place leaves in and around plant beds and under trees and shrubs. Again this provides good nutrients for the soil and provides insulation for the plants.

❑ Utilize yard waste bags and the refuse collection program.