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Mission Statement

The Grandmont Community Association (GCA) was formed for the preservation of the neighborhood: promotion of quality schools; civic education of the residents and promotion of cooperation and understanding between all of the residents and community businesses.

HAPPY HALLOWEEN!

HARVEST FESTIVAL AND HALLOWEEN PARTY
SATURDAY OCTOBER 28TH
2PM TO 6PM
 @ BUSHNELL CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH 15000 SOUTHFIELD FWY

Cider and Donuts **Games** **Food**

 **Free!!!**

Arts & Crafts **Bouncy Houses**

BRING FRIENDS AND FAMILY. ALL AGES WELCOME! FUN FOR ALL!

Trunk or Treat!

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 Contact Kathy Morgan @ 248 767-2220 for more info

3RD ANNUAL EVENT SPONSORED BY THE GRANDMONT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION AND BUSHNELL CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

SNOW PLOWING OF OUR STREETS IS IN JEOPARDY FOR THIS WINTER SEASON!

PLEASE PAY YOUR 2017 & 2018 DUES ASAP!



HOME OF GOOD NEIGHBORS

GRANDMONT

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GCA SAFETY / SECURITY INFORMATION

CALL 9-1-1 TO REPORT EMERGENCIES & CRIMES IN PROGRESS

THEN

CALL THE GCA SAFETY/SECURITY CHAIR: 313-980-7799

EMAIL:

grandmontcommunitycrimealerts@googlegroups.com
and/or www.1800speakup.org



"IF YOU SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING!"

REPORT CRIME ANONYMOUSLY TO POLICE:
CALL: CRIMESTOPPERS
1-800-SPEAK-UP (1-800-773-2587)

TEXT "TIP411" (847411) ADD DPD TO MSG
REPORT AUTO THEFT ANONYMOUSLY TO POLICE
CALL: 800-242-HEAT (4238)
WWW.MIHEAT.ORG

REPORT NARCOTICS ANONYMOUSLY TO POLICE
CALL: 313-224-DOPE (3673)

REPORT ILLEGAL GUN ACTIVITY ANONYMOUSLY TO POLICE
CALL: 800-AFT-GUNS (800-283-4867)

2017 GRANDMONT COMMUNITY MEETINGS

(All meetings will be held at 10 AM on the first Saturday of the month unless otherwise noted at GRDC, 19800 Grand River)

- Oct 7, 2017
- Nov 4, 2017
- Dec 2, 2017



2017 BLOCK CAPTAINS MEETINGS

(Meetings at 1 PM after the community meeting on the following dates)

- Nov. 4, 2017



EVERYONE IN THE COMMUNITY IS WELCOME AND ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND ALL GCA MEETINGS!

BRING YOUR CONCERNS AND SHARE YOUR IDEAS!

SUPPORT YOUR GRANDMONT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION



2017 GRANDMONT PATROL MEETINGS

(All meetings will be held at 7 PM on the first Monday of the month unless otherwise noted at GRDC, 19800 Grand River)

- Oct 2, 2017
- Nov 6, 2017
- Dec 4, 2017

DRIVING CRIME OUT OF OUR COMMUNITY



Grandmont Community Association MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

(INCLUDES STREET SNOW REMOVAL, NEWSLETTER, SCHOLARSHIPS, COMMITTEES, EVENTS, LOBBYING, ETC)

NAME(S): _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE(S): _____

E-MAIL: _____

PLEASE ADD MY EMAIL ADDRESS TO THE FOLLOWING COMMUNITY RESOURCES:
GRANDMONT INFORMATION NETWORK GRANDMONT CRIME ALERT

NUMBER OF ADULTS IN HOUSEHOLD _____

MEMBERSHIP YEAR(S) BEING PAID:

2017 _____ 2019 _____
 2018 _____ 2020 _____

Additional Donation _____

Please mail with check or money order for **\$25.00** per year (**\$10.00** for Southfield & Longacre Apartments) to:

"GRANDMONT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION" OR "G.C.A."
P.O. Box 27790, Detroit, MI 48227

I AM INTERESTED IN JOINING THE FOLLOWING GCA COMMITTEES:

(COMMITTEE CONTACT INFORMATION ON PAGE 2 OF GRANDMONITOR)

- | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Arts & Crafts Fair | <input type="checkbox"/> Nominations |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Beautification | <input type="checkbox"/> Ramsay Park |
| <input type="checkbox"/> By-Laws | <input type="checkbox"/> Safety/Security |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Education & Youth | <input type="checkbox"/> Scholarship |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental | <input type="checkbox"/> Social Planning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Finance | <input type="checkbox"/> Street & Block Captains |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Membership | <input type="checkbox"/> Web Site |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Grandmont Radio Patrol | <input type="checkbox"/> Vacant Property Task Force |
| <input type="checkbox"/> GRANDMONITOR Newsletter | |



PAY YOUR DUES WITH PAYPAL!

Go to www.Grandmontcommunity.com. Scroll down to the **MEMBERSHIP** section and "CLICK THE BUTTON BELOW TO GO TO THE MEMBERSHIP PAGE" button.

You can pay for past, current or future memberships with your Visa, MasterCard, American Express or Discover through PayPal. The shopping cart will open in a separate window. ***Please note there is a small 3% convenience fee of 75¢ to pay online for each year.***

If you wish to pay for multiple years, please:

1. Select the year,
2. Click add to cart,
3. If you need to add additional information regarding this order, please type it in the text box. i.e. Someone is paying for your membership with their PayPal account or credit card. The person paying will need to enter your name and your address in the detail line.
4. When you have finished adding the years, click view cart to go to the PayPal site to check out.

ENVIRONMENTAL CORNER

THE LIST BELOW CONTAINS ISSUES THAT RESIDENTS WITHIN OUR COMMUNITY HAVE CONTACTED OUR ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE ABOUT AND ACTIONS TAKEN DURING JULY AND AUGUST 2017:

1. GCA Ordinance Violation Notices were issued to residents at 14977 Longacre and 14959 Longacre. Both homes had been reported by neighbors and observed by me in violation of GCA and City code for vehicle parking. An official notice was delivered to both residences. I suggested that neighbors contact the Block Captain to be advised of the situation. **AMENDMENT:** the homeowner of one of the residences who lives in Lathrup Village was ticketed and fined **\$1,100** in June 2017. Fines levied in the past were paid, but there's been no change in behavior.
2. DPW was contacted and an appointment was made for rodent infestation extermination at 14151 Woodmont and 14350 Grandmont during the week of August 7-11, 2017. **AMENDMENT:** Both homes were baited and rodent poison placed.
3. Dropped off "*Information Only*" notices to GCA residents explaining the correct method of preparing tree branch/sticks/debris for pickup by **ADVANCE DISPOSAL**. All debris must be bound in a 4 ft X 4 ft bundles or **IN PAPER WASTE BAGS – NOT PLASTIC BAGS**.
4. A resident in the 14300 block of Grandmont communicated her concerns of the yard waste, high grass and brush along her property line with the adjoining property which is vacant. The resident has spoken to owner; I suggested she work through her Block Captain and contact the owner again in order to work together to find a solution.
5. Homeowners in the 13900 block of Abington are in need of the tree in the neighbor's yard to be trimmed. The overhang of several large branches have them nervous, thinking only of the disaster awaiting if one falls on their house. I communicated that neither the City nor the community association is responsible for tree maintenance on private property. Homeowners are responsible for a tree on their property. Both residents are on disability and do not have the funds to have the tree trimmed.
6. DPD NPO Officer Childrey was notified of a commercial trailer has been parked in front of 14190 Woodmont for two weeks filled with debris. After no response from the owner, a Code Violation letter was given. **AMENDMENT:** Officer Childrey DPD gave resident 48 hours to comply which he did.
7. Glen Allen on Archdale communicated he was not satisfied with the address painting service provided by the Wayne County Neighborhood Watch organization. He was not home when the crew arrived and he did not like where the address was painted. The task is complete, address is permanent, and removal could do more damage to driveway. There was no resolution except an apology after speaking with Mr. Reynolds's director of the WCNW office.
8. Ms. Wells on Archdale communicated that the home next to her is being rehabbed. A dumpster full of debris had been in the driveway for over two weeks; a Code Violation for our community and city. Also, there was a problem with debris and materials scattered across the lawn for the past several weeks. I spoke to Manager Vance who has improved dumpster's utility and cleaned the lawn. Within hours of our conversation the dumpster was removed and replaced by an empty container.
9. Sharon Shaw on Grandmont questioned why tree limbs left on the berm at 14210 Grandmont were not being picked-up over a 6-week period. I explained the correct procedure required by **ADVANCE DISPOSAL**. I suggested speaking with the Block Captain regarding the issue. A Code Violation letter was issued with the suggestion to contact **ADVANCE DISPOSAL** to seek a solution since the next step would be a City Ticket.

I have found that many residents contact the Environmental Committee when all other resources have been exhausted. Some are frustrated over the bureaucracy and time to reach a solution.

Respectfully submitted; Harrison R. Duke III, Environmental Chair

GET REMINDERS FOR WEEKLY TRASH, RECYCLING AND BULK PICKUP DATES BY TEXT TO YOUR CELL PHONE – We now have a new way for people to sign up for weekly trash, recycling and bulk pickup reminders. Text your street address to **313-800-7905** and a reminder will be sent by text to your phone. Great for people who don't have internet access! This is a **GREAT** way to always get it right!

SOUTHFIELD FWY AND FENKELL AVE. ROAD CONSTRUCTION NOTES – The old pedestrian overpass over the Southfield Freeway just south of Grand River will be demolished and removed by the Michigan Department of Transportation sometime before November 17th.

Also, the Wayne County Road Commission will re-stripe a portion of newly-paved Fenkell within the next 30 days. The change will add a second eastbound traffic lane between Faust and Grand River to ease backups at the Grand River traffic signal.

VACANT PROPERTY TASK FORCE

DON'T COUNT THE DAYS...MAKE THE DAYS COUNT! . . . AND ~ COUNT YOUR BLESSINGS; be thankful that you are living in the **GRANDMONT COMMUNITY – A GRAND neighborhood and “THE HOME OF GOOD NEIGHBORS!”**



THANK YOU - ED SMITH, JERRY WEBB, AND MARK BLYTHER! ~ YOU ARE APPRECIATED!

THREE LONGACRE HEROES WHO HELP KEEP OUR RAMSAY PARK AND EMPTY LOTS CUT AND LOOKING GOOD IN THE GRANDMONT NEIGHBORHOOD.

PROPERTY TAX HELP! – At our Vacant Property Task Force meeting on August 15, 2017, our guest speaker, Alexa Eisenberg (TRICYCLE COLLECTIVE) outlined targeted outreach for the **POVERTY TAX EXEMPTION (NOW BEING CALLED HP-TAP)/HOMEOWNER'S PROPERTY TAX ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**. This program eliminates property taxes for qualified homeowners. Streamlining the application form (*which must be renewed yearly*) is a top priority as is getting the word out to people who are paying property tax and needn't be! We've been told there are approximately 40,000 potentially eligible homeowners – but only 4,000 applied for this exemption from paying property tax. **YOU CAN APPLY IN MARCH, JULY, AND DECEMBER.** There are income guidelines and frustrating paperwork. However, help may be on the way. There is a guidebook to help with the process. Call me at **313-836-3736** if you feel you might qualify and I will drop off a booklet and/or flyer to you. **GRDC IS SPONSORING AN IMPORTANT PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION ASSISTANCE WORKSHOP ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21ST. SEE ARTICLE ON PAGE 6 & CHART ON PAGE 8 FOR FURTHER DETAILS.**

YET ANOTHER REASON TO PAY YOUR GRANDMONT COMMUNITY DUES! – Have you noticed new trees planted on the City front berm areas along Longacre, Archdale, Rutland, and Abington? If you were fortunate to receive a city tree, **THANK THE VACANT PROPERTY TASK FORCE AND YOUR GRANDMONT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION FOR THIS ADDED VALUE TO YOUR PROPERTY!** Tree planting is a renewable source of energy that provides shade and comfort on those hot and humid days. Embrace “**LEAF RAKING**” as good exercise; it really won't be a cause for concern for many years to come. If you need a tree planted on City property, please contact me and I will add your address to listings being compiled for Grandmont, Woodmont, and Asbury Park. This initial offering was a limited opportunity championed by Pam Weinstein in Rosedale Park for **30** trees in each of our five **GRDC** communities in partnership with the **CITY OF DETROIT GENERAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT**. Thank you for future growth and increased property values in the Grandmont Community!



DID YOU KNOW ABOUT CHANEY LIBRARY PROGRAMS? – Thanks to Cora Duncan Foster, many neighbors attended the information workshop on “*Financial & Homeownership Education*” and “*Rent Smart vs. Home Ownership*” strategy for credit and budget situations on Thursday, September 14th. A comprehensive “*Rent Smart*” Booklet and the “*Tenants & Landlords Practical Guide*” handouts were worth the price of admission – Oh wait, this was a **FREE** service! Our neighborhood library, Chaney Branch, is at 16101 Grand River. Become acquainted with all that it has to offer. A wealth of information is so close at hand, you just need to stop by and check it out! Register through **CHANEY'S REFERENCE DESK** at **(313) 481-1571** for the next scheduled valuable workshops:

- ❖ **COMMUNITY RECYCLING WORKSHOP /DETROIT RECYCLES** – Thursday, October 12th, 6:00 PM; you will receive a **FREE** Recycling Bin! (a \$25.00 value!)
- ❖ **PREVENTING IDENTITY THEFT** – Tuesday, November 7th, 6:00 PM -7:30 PM (an **MSU-Extension Program**)



HOLIDAY WREATH SALE: PLEASE SUPPORT OUR WORK IN THE GRANDMONT ROSEDALE COMMUNITY BY PURCHASING A HOLIDAY WREATH FROM OUR TASK FORCE MEMBERS!

Once again the **VPTF (VACANT PROPERTY TASK FORCE)** is selling Holiday Wreaths to beautify your home or door. These lovely, decorated wreaths not only will beautify your home, but proceeds stay in our neighborhoods to provide funding for vacant lot/home maintenance when necessary, vacant home research, mailings, security, etc. Prices will be in the **\$20-\$25** dollar range, and of course, donations are also appreciated if a Holiday Wreath isn't for you! Call me at **313-836-3736** for more information or Order Form.

TOGETHER, WE WILL MAKE GRANDMONT AN EVEN BETTER PLACE TO LIVE, WORK AND PLAY!

PLEASE DRIVE SLOWLY – DRIVE SAFELY – AND DRIVE QUIETLY – ON OUR STREETS!

Diane Patterson, 313-836-3736





NORTHWEST DETROIT FARMERS' MARKET 2017 WINDS DOWN – THE FINAL 2017 NORTHWEST DETROIT FARMERS' MARKET DAY WILL BE THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12TH FROM 4 PM – 8 PM at the North Rosedale Park Community House, 18445 Scarsdale. Don't forget that the Market accepts cash, credit, EBT/ BRIDGE CARDS, DOUBLE UP FOOD BUCKS (a matching program up to \$20 to spend on produce at the market for Bridge Card users), MARKET AND PROJECT FRESH coupons, and HOOP HOUSE FOR HEALTH coupons.



There will be a **THANKSGIVING FARMERS' MARKET IN NOVEMBER** for your Thanksgiving needs! You can pre-order your turkey, sweet potato stuffing, cakes, rolls, and more from our vendors! Look for order forms and more info coming up on the Grandmont Rosedale Facebook page, our eblast, and on grandmontrosedale.com. For more information about the **NORTHWEST DETROIT FARMERS' MARKET** contact Chelsea Neblett at cnblett@grandmontrosedale.com or **313.387.5158 ext.103**.

HOMEOWNERS PROPERTY TAX ASSISTANCE PROGRAM: DO YOU QUALIFY? – GRDC will be hosting a Homeowner's Property Tax Assistance Program Workshop that lowers City of Detroit property taxes for low-income homeowners on **Saturday, October 21st from 11 AM-2 PM**. Please review information below:

If you own your home (HAVE DEED OR PROOF OF OWNERSHIP RECORDED WITH WAYNE COUNTY REGISTER OF DEEDS) and live in it, you may qualify for a partial or total exemption from Detroit property taxes for 2017, if your income falls within certain ranges - check the chart below:

- 1 – person household = **\$16,600** (full exemption) or **\$19,160** (50% exemption)
- 2 – person household = **\$19,250** (full exemption) or **\$22,450** (50% exemption)
- 3 – person household = **\$22,100** (full exemption) or **\$24,600** (50% exemption)
- 4 – person household = **\$25,600** (full exemption) or **\$28,100** (50% exemption)
- 5 – person household = **\$27,400** (full exemption) or **\$29,900** (50% exemption)

In addition, the total household assets (i.e. BANK ACCOUNTS, OTHER REAL PROPERTY, BOATS, CAMPERS, STOCKS, BONDS, IRA'S, OTHER ASSETS IN OR OUT OF THE UNITED STATES, ETC.) **SHALL NOT exceed \$12,000.⁰⁰** Required documentation verifying family/household composition, all sources of annual income, Michigan Homestead credit, medical and household bills, all other assets in and out of the United States, bank statements and other pertinent data will be requested on the application (SEE BELOW FOR FULL LIST).

If you think you qualify, contact Chelsea Neblett at Grandmont Rosedale Development Corporation at **313-387-4732, ext.103**, for more information. A workshop on the Homeowners Property Tax Assistance Program will be held at the GRDC office, 19800 Grand River Ave on **Saturday, October 21st at 11 AM**. For help filling out the application, bring the following paperwork with you:

- ❖ Proof of Ownership: Deed, Land Contract or Court Order
- ❖ Proof of Residence: For everyone who lives in the homes;
- ❖ Current photo ID or driver's license for all adults (18+)
- ❖ Report card, transcript, or healthcare record for all children (5-17)
- ❖ Proof of Income: for everyone who lives in the home;
- ❖ 2016 Federal and/or state income tax return (if you filed)
- ❖ W-2, paystubs, SSI/SSD statement, pension, food stamps award letter, etc.
- ❖ Proof of Assets: Bank statement, 401k statement, insurance letters, etc.
- ❖ Proof of Expenses: DTE and water bill, Wayne County Treasurer payment plan agreement, etc.

NEIGHBORHOOD SAFETY MEETING THURSDAY, OCT. 26th – The next Neighborhood Safety Meeting will take place Thursday, October 26th at 6:30 PM at the North Rosedale Park Community House, 18445 Scarsdale. Agents from the FBI will be attending to present their community liaison program and introduce you to their operation here in Detroit. Neighborhood Safety Meetings are free and open to the public. For more information, contact safety@grandmontrosedale.com.

THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW ~ NEWS YOU CAN USE

IDENTITY THIEVES USED STOLEN DATA 9 MINUTES AFTER IT WAS POSTED ONLINE; TWO-FACTOR ID MAY THWART WOULD-BE CYBERCRIMINALS

By SELENA LARSON, Posted: 12:44 PM, May 26, 2017 Updated: 1:03 PM, May 26, 2017, CNNMoney/Shutterstock via CNN

NEW YORK (CNNMoney) – When personal data is dumped online, it can take just **NINE MINUTES** for bad guys to start using it, according to a report from the Federal Trade Commission.

Over the course of three weeks in April and May, the FTC analyzed what happens when hacked personal data is shared online.

Researchers created 100 fake consumers and gave them fictitious personal information like names, emails and passwords, and either a credit card, Bitcoin wallet, or online payment account. Then they posted the collection of data on a site popular with leaking stolen credentials, once on April 27 and a second time on May 4.

According to Dan Salsburg, acting chief at the FTC's Office of Technology Research and Investigation, the FTC observed two types of identity thieves -- those who want to test credit cards' authenticity to resell them, and those who tried making big purchases on things like clothing or hotels. "There are people laying there in wait, ready to pounce on stolen credentials," Salsburg told CNNTech.

Nine minutes after the publication on May 4, thieves began using the data -- a Twitter bot picked up the posting, which could have helped speed up hacking attempts. On April 27, it took one and a half hours before the fake credentials were used. All told, there were over 1,200 attempts to access accounts belonging to the fake consumers. That includes a total of \$12,825.53 attempted credit card purchases and 493 attempts to access emails.

There are ways you can prevent cybercriminals from using your data, even if it's published online. Salsburg said some of the test accounts were protected by two-factor authentication, a security feature that requires a second code in addition to your password (usually texted to your phone) to log in to your account. It's not a perfect solution -- if your phone gets stolen, thieves could have access to your backup codes. But it is a simple and effective security tool. Identity thieves did not access the fake accounts with two-factor authentication enabled.

<https://www.clickondetroit.com/money/identity-thieves-used-stolen-data-9-minutes-after-it-was-posted-online>

ADDITIONAL CITY SERVICES INFORMATION

ANIMAL COMPLAINTS:

To report a dog bite, stray dog, or other live animal concerns, call Detroit Animal Control at **313-224-6356**. Call DPW at **313-628-4268** for dead animal pick-up.

WEEDS AND UNCUT GRASS:

Call the city of Detroit Environmental Department, **(313) 876-0974**.

TRASH CONTAINER REPAIRS:

Call Advanced Disposal at **(844) 233-8764**. **REPAIRS ARE USUALLY FREE.**

YARD WASTE / TREE BRANCHES:

The Grandmont community has many large, stately trees. However, many of them have become diseased from bugs or fungi and are very weak. This past spring and summer we had several storms with high winds that toppled some trees and left many tree limbs on the ground. For several weeks, our berms were covered with unsightly debris that was not picked up by the city's Forestry Department or Advanced Disposal.

Here is the requirement to have tree limbs and other yard waste removed on bulk day: **ANY TREE BRANCHES, ETC., MUST BE TIED UP IN BUNDLES, IN UP TO 4 FOOT LENGTHS FOR PICK-UP BY ADVANCED DISPOSAL.**

The Forestry Department should be notified at 313-871-5461 of damage to very large trees or limbs on the berm. Other tree problems are the homeowner's responsibility to be removed.

LIMBS THAT ARE TOO LARGE OR NOT BUNDLED WILL NOT BE PICKED UP AND WILL RECEIVE A SUBSTANTIAL TICKET. Residents may also transport their branches, etc., to the Southfield Yard for disposal at 12255 Southfield Service Dr. Mon-Sat, 10:30 AM – 6 PM, closed 2:30 PM-3:30 PM.

UPCOMING CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS AT CHANEY LIBRARY FOR OCTOBER:

WEDNESDAYS – OCTOBER 4th & OCTOBER 18th

From 10:30 am – 11:30 am

Preschool Story hour with Ms. Parker-Hawkins

Ages 2-5



SATURDAY - OCTOBER 7th, 2 PM – 3 PM

Manga Drawing Workshop

Ages 10-15



SATURDAY – OCTOBER 14th, 2 PM – 3 PM

Halloween Pumpkin Carving Contest

Ages 9-15



SATURDAY - OCTOBER 21st, 2 PM – 3 PM

Scary Animals with Javon Stacks

and the Exotic Zoo

All Ages; Family Fun



DETROIT CITY SERVICES

TRASH PICKUP DAY: FRIDAY

TRASH PICKUP HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

If any of the following holidays falls on or before your collection day, your pick-up service will be one day later:

INDEPENDENCE DAY **LABOR DAY**
THANKSGIVING DAY **CHRISTMAS DAY**

BULK & YARD WASTE PICKUP SCHEDULE: EVERY OTHER MONDAY
 ~ OCT 2, 16 & 30 ~ ~ NOV 13 & 27 ~

YARD WASTE PICK-UP HAS RESUMED EVERY OTHER MONDAY

RECYCLE PICKUP SCHEDULE: EVERY OTHER WEDNESDAY
 ~ OCT 11 & 25 ~ ~ NOV 8 & 22 ~

NEAREST BULK / RECYCLE DROP-OFF LOCATION:

FACILITY: Southfield Yard

LOCATION: 12255 Southfield Svc Dr. (SOUTH OF SCHOOLCRAFT)
 Detroit, MI 48228

OPEN MONDAY – SATURDAY, 8:30 AM – 4 PM
 (closed for lunch 12:30 PM – 1:30 PM)

PHONE: 1 (844) 2-DETROIT (338764)

EMAIL: DetroitMIResidential@AdvancedDisposal.com
<http://www.advanceddisposal.com/mi/detroit/detroit-residential-collection>

POLICE DISTRICT:

POLICE PRECINCT: 8th

21555 West McNichols Rd.
 Detroit, MI 48219
 313-596-5800

NEIGHBORHOOD POLICE OFFICER:

NPO – OFFICER SHAWN CHILDREY
 313-596-5217 (w), 313-590-5199 (c)

POLICE MINI-STATION LOCATION: 8th

Crowell Recreation Center
 16630 Lahser
 Detroit, MI 48219

CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT: DISTRICT 1:

COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE JAMES TATE

PHONE: 313-224-1027

EMAIL: councilmembertate@detroitmi.gov

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 16630 Lahser
 Detroit, MI 48219

STEPHANIE YOUNG, MANAGER

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ADVANCED DISPOSAL (844) 233-8764

2017 BULK PICK-UP SCHEDULE

(every other **MONDAY** unless noted)

JANUARY	9 & 23
FEBRUARY	6 & 20
MARCH	6 & 20
APRIL	3 & 17
MAY	1, 15 & MAY 30* (TUES*)
JUNE	12 & 26
JULY	10 & 24
AUGUST	7 & 21
SEPTEMBER	5* (TUES*), 18
OCTOBER	2, 16 & 30
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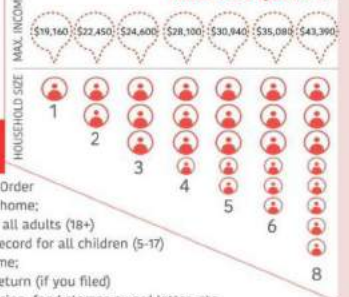
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- Proof of Residence: For everyone who lives in the home:
 - Current photo ID or driver's license for all adults (18+)
 - Report card, transcript, or healthcare record for all children (5-17)
- Proof of Income: for everyone who lives in the home;
 - 2016 Federal and/or state income tax return (if you filed)
 - W-2, paystubs, SSI/SSD statement, pension, food stamps award letter, etc.
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