

Richardson's Environmental Resources Newsletter



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FALL TREE GIVEAWAYS WRAP UP ON TEXAS ARBOR DAY

The City's series of Richardson Replants tree giveaways wrapped up with an event at Glenville Park on Nov. 1, Texas Arbor Day. The final giveaway of 100 trees brought the total amount of trees given away this fall to 500.

Trees are being distributed to restore the City's natural canopy and provide residents with a cooler, lush environment. In total, 1,000 trees will be given out this fall and next spring, with an additional 100 trees planted in City parks.

The Richardson Replants program receives support from the Richardson Rotary Club and the nonprofit One Earth One Chance, who is paying for half of the trees being provided for giveaways.



CEASE THE GREASE SET FOR NOV. 18-DEC. 5

The day after Thanksgiving is called "Brown Friday" because it's the busiest day of the year for plumbers. Plumbers see a 50 percent increase in calls on Brown Friday, and 21 percent more over the four-day weekend.

You can save hundreds, and possibly thousands, of dollars in plumbing bills by helping to Cease the Grease. Instead of pouring grease down the drain, you can take it to the City's Holiday Grease Roundup and recycle it for free.

DROP OFF GREASE: NOV. 18-DEC. 5

- 1260 Columbia Dr. (at any time)
- Use a sealable container and place in the plastic bin located in the parking lot.
- NOTE: Motor oil and other automotive fluid will not be accepted.

Grease dropped off will either be used to create biodiesel or turned into biogas for energy production.

DON'T

- Pour fat, oils and grease down the drain, even in small quantities.
- Use hot water to push the cooking oils through plumbing pipes.
- Toss food scraps down the drain.

DO

- Place oil and grease in sealable collection containers and dispose of properly.
- Avoid using the garbage disposal by scraping food scraps into trash cans.
- Prewash dishes and pans with cold water before putting them into the dishwasher.

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