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Leaf Pick Up Program Commences in November Online Map Provides Details

Cambridge, Ontario. September 22, 2009... As we usher in the first day of fall today, residents may turn their thoughts to yard clean up and leaf collection. Starting in November, the City of Cambridge will initiate an extensive leaf collection service throughout the city. Residents are asked to rake all leaves to the curb/roadside as early in November as possible, and be sure to keep safety top of mind. To avoid serious injury, don't allow your children to play in the roadside leaf piles.

The 2009 leaf collection program will get under way on approximately November 9th and continue for around four weeks. For example, Leaf pick up will begin on November 9th in areas west of the Grand River including Blair and Preston Heights. For areas south of Avenue Road and east of the Grand River, the leaf program will commence on November 16. On November 23rd neighbourhoods north of the Grand River and west of Hespeler Road will be served. A complete map and information on when Public Works crews will be in your area is available online at:

http://www.cambridge.ca/transportation_public_works/public_works_operations_division/special_collections_leaf_collection

The City is encouraging citizens to consider alternative forms of leaf disposal such as composting and mulching. The process of mulching leaves with a lawn mower or other device will reduce the volume of the leaf pile for home storage and will help with lawn maintenance. Also simply mowing your leaves, in a dry condition, right on the lawn will add the organic material directly to your lawns.

In the event that you miss the scheduled leaf pick up, please take your leaves to the landfill site located on Savage Drive.

For further information please call the City of Cambridge Public Works Division at 519.621.0740 between the hours of 7:00am and 3:30 pm Monday - Friday.

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General number is 519.621.0740 available between 7:00 am and 3:30 pm weekdays.

The City of Cambridge is one of the fastest growing areas in the country. It is strategically located astride highway 401 in Southwestern Ontario, part of Canada's Technology Triangle. In 2009, the population reached over 126,000 people. With a multicultural mix and a strong foundation of support services, Cambridge has a diverse economic base with leading industries in manufacturing, automotive, high technology, pharmaceutical, business and financial services and hospitality/retail. The Corporation of the City of Cambridge is an employer with a work environment that offers the opportunity to provide service to the community through creativity and innovation, and with opportunities for career growth and advancement.

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