



# Swift Creek Estates Homeowners Association

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To: All Swift Creek Homeowners Association Members

Re: New Residential Garbage Policy

At the Swift Creek AGM on April 29, 2014, a new policy for residential garbage pick-up for Swift Creek was established. Residential garbage collection will now be a responsibility organized by the Swift Creek Homeowners Association. All home and lot owners will see an increase in HOA fees to offset the costs associated with garbage removal. HOA fees increased \$400 for the 2014 year.

**Who will be providing this service?**

Garbage will be collected by Greens Garbage Grabbers. Owners Mike and Stacey currently serve many Swift Creek residents.

**When will this service start?**

Community garbage service will start on July 1, 2014. HOA fees collected from January 1, 2014, until that point will be used to cover the costs of the garbage bin required for curbside pick-up.

**What if I have already paid for garbage pick-up to another contractor?**

If you are currently using Greens Garbage Grabbers and have paid for garbage pick-up past the July 1<sup>st</sup> change of policy date, please contact Mike to arrange for a refund on your service.

If you are using a different contractor, please contact them immediately and arrange to change your service. If there are extenuating issues with this, individual homeowners and the HOA can work to find the best possible solution.

**How will the new policy work?**

Every household will receive a large garbage container with wheels provided by Greens Garbage Grabbers. The first 6 months of fees will cover the cost of this container.

Garbage must be left at the end of your driveway no later than 8 a.m. on Tuesday mornings. Garbage must be bagged and tied—no exceptions. Please be aware of the weight of these bags as garbage is lifted manually and not by machine. Bags that are too heavy or too heavy and break will be left in the bin for the resident to re-bag the garbage, so it is more manageable by hand. There is a limit of one garbage can per household as covered under this service.

**What if I have more garbage than just one can?**

An occasional extra bag of garbage will be picked up by Greens. However, continuous extra garbage will require you to buy an extra can and pay extra fees to Greens Garbage Grabbers. If you need this service, please contact Mike at 403-667-1426.

**Can yard waste be put into my garbage can?**

These garbage cans are for residential waste only. If you have yard waste, Greens can haul it away for you with advance organization at an additional cost.

If you have a lot of yard waste, there is a Rocky View County transfer site (close to Calaway Park) that takes yard waste at no cost. Please reach out to the County to get further details including fees, if any.



**What if I don't have a need for residential garbage pick-up because I don't have a house in Swift Creek yet?**

In this case, fees will be redirected by the HOA towards lot maintenance. It is a policy of Swift Creek that all empty lots be mowed yearly for fire reasons. This has been left to individual lot owners in the past. As of 2014, the HOA will hire a landscape contractor to fulfill this obligation.

The Swift Creek HOA is happy to be able to offer this service to all residents. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

Regards,  
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