

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

## Bi-weekly Leaf and Yard Waste Collection starts April 12

**Midhurst/ April 9, 2021** – The County of Simcoe’s popular curbside Leaf and Yard Waste Collection program is set to start April 12<sup>th</sup> in Zone One, running until the week of May 31<sup>st</sup>. These bi-weekly collections include leaves, grass, branches (sized and bundled appropriately), and other appropriately prepared garden waste. Residents are reminded to use kraft paper yard waste bags, compostable bags, cardboard boxes, or open-ended rigid containers when placing leaf and yard waste at their regular collection point.

Materials for collection should be placed curbside by 7 a.m. on Monday of the collection week for each area. Collection will occur during the week, not necessarily on residents’ regular garbage day. To determine your collection zone and collection weeks, please refer to the 2021 Waste Management Calendar, which was mailed to households earlier this winter or it can be found at [this link](#). The schedule is also available on the Simcoe County Collects App, which is free to download from the App Store or Google Play.

The County expects increased participation this year due to stay-at-home orders, and asks residents to keep the safety of collection workers in mind when setting out materials.

Spring 2021 leaf and yard waste will be collected throughout the week in each zone as follows:

### Zone One

April 12, 2021  
April 26, 2021  
May 10, 2021  
May 28, 2021

### Zone Two

April 19, 2021  
May 3, 2021  
May 17, 2021  
May 31, 2021

*This schedule and program does not apply to the cities of Barrie and Orillia.*

The County of Simcoe is composed of sixteen member municipalities and provides crucial public services to County residents in addition to providing paramedic and social services to the separated cities of Barrie and Orillia. Visit our website at [simcoe.ca](#).

- 30 -

**Collin Matanowitsch**  
Public Relations Manager  
County of Simcoe, Service Simcoe Branch  
705-726-9300 ext. 1430  
705-734-8386 (mobile)  
Collin.Matanowitsch@simcoe.ca

**Andrea Walasek**  
Public Relations Consultant  
County of Simcoe, Service Simcoe Branch  
249-535-3511 (mobile)  
Andrea.Walasek@simcoe.ca