### HARRIS COUNTY

## RESIDENTIAL DEBRIS AND DAMAGE ASSESSMENT

### For Immediate Release

HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS—Harris County Residential Debris and Damage Assessment teams will begin debris clearance and damage assessments during the Labor Day 2017 weekend in unincorporated areas of the County affected by Hurricane Harvey.

### RESIDENTIAL DAMAGE ASSESSMENTS BEGIN SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2017

If you live in unincorporated Harris County and have experienced flooding, you will need a permit to repair and/or rebuild. This is a FEMA requirement to ensure that flood insurance is available to residents of Harris County. Your insurance and/or FEMA will likely require seeing a copy of this permit in order to receive a refund.

Harris County inspectors will conduct in-home residential damage assessments. Residents will be able to clearly identify County inspectors by their County employee badges and County engineering department trucks. If you have a question about any inspector, please promptly call our hotline at 713-274-3880 to verify their identity.

### RESIDENTIAL HOME INSPECTIONS AND PERMITS ARE FREE OF CHARGE.

### RESIDENTIAL DEBRIS REMOVAL BEGINS MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2017

Residents who are in the process of removing debris from their homes should follow separation instructions\* in the diagram provided by Harris County to help speed up the process and allow for safe operations. Debris removal will be ongoing throughout unincorporated Harris County. Please be patient and be prepared. If you are in the process of clean-up and debris removal from your property, please take precautions to prevent disaster-related casualties and fatalities.

- Be aware of damaged water, gas, and electric lines.
- ❖ Be aware of damaged building and construction materials.
- ❖ Do not attempt to conduct major tree work or reconstruction without proper equipment, permits, and training.
- ❖ Be aware of household hazardous waste and contaminants.
- Report any hazardous materials spills to: Harris County Pollution Control Services Department at 713-920-2831.

For additional information about debris separation, debris removal, and residential damage assessments please call the Harris County Residential Debris and Damage Assessment Hotline at 713-274-3880 or email <a href="mailto:Homeflooding@hcpid.org">Homeflooding@hcpid.org</a>

\*Household Hazardous Waste (HHW), such as paint (oil-based and latex), automotive chemicals, batteries, and lawn chemicals. HHW will not be picked up with regular debris piles. Harris County will notify all residents about HHW collection dates and drop-off locations.

# **Separating Your Debris**

Debris should be placed curbside, without blocking the roadway or storm drains.

Debris collectors will make at least three passes in your area.

### NO PICKUP ZONE

Any debris placed from the sidewalk toward your property will not be picked up.



### **DEBRIS SEPARATION**

Separate debris into the six categories shown below.

### DO NOT STACK OR LEAN

Placing debris near or on trees, poles, or other structures makes removal difficult. This includes fire hydrants and meters.

### **UNSURE WHERE TO PLACE DEBRIS?**

If you don't have a sidewalk, ditch, or utility line in front of your house, place debris at the edge of your property before the curb. Use clear trash bags for loose debris.



### Normal Household Trash

Normal household trash and bagged debris of any kind will not be picked up with disaster debris. You should continue to follow your normal garbage removal schedule.



#### **VEGETATIVE DEBRIS**

- Leaves (do not put in bags)
- · Logs
- · Plants
- · Tree branches



### CONSTRUCTION & DEMOLITION DEBRIS

- · Building materials
- Carpet
- · Drywall
- Furniture
- · Lumber
- · Mattresses
- · Plumbing



### APPLIANCES & WHITE GOODS

- · Air conditioners
- · Dishwashers
- · Freezers
- Refrigerators
- Stoves
- Washers, dryers
- · Water heaters



### **ELECTRONICS**

- Computers
- Radios
- Stereos
- Televisions
- Other devices with a cord



### HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

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For more information visit www.eng.hctx.net or call the Debris Hotline at 713-274-3880

# Separando Sus Escombros

Los escombros deben ser puestos a la orilla de la calle, sin bloquear la carretera o alcantarilla. Los recogedores de escombros pasarán por lo menos 3 veces por su área.

ZONA QUE NO **SERA RECOGIDA** Cualquier escombro colocado desde la acera hacia su propiedad no serán recogida.



Separe los escombros en las 6 categorías mencionadas abajo.

### **NO APILE O RECUESTE**

Colocación de escombros cerca de o en árboles, postes, u otras estructuras dificulta el removerlos. Esto incluye hidrantes y metros.

### ;INSEGURO DE DONDE PONER LOS ESCOMBROS?

Si no tienes una acera, zanja o línea de servicio público frente a su casa, coloque los escombros en el borde de su propiedad antes de la acera. Use bolsas de basura transparentes.







 Materiales de construcción

DEMOLICIÓN

- Alfombra
- Panelas de Yeso
- Muebles
- Madera
- Colchones
- Artículos de plomería



#### **ENSERES Y ELECTRODOMÉSTICOS**

- Lavadoras de platos
- · Calentador de agua



**ELECTRÓNICOS** 

Computadoras

Equipos de sonido

Otros artículos con

cordones eléctricos

Radios

Televisores

### DESPERDICIOS PELIGROSOS DEL HOGAR

Desperdicios peligrosos del hogar (DPH) como pintura (de aceite ó látex), químicos de automóvil, baterias, y químicos de varda. DPH no seran recogidos con los escombros. El condado de Harris notificará a los residentes las fechas de colección y punto de entrega de DPH.



### **Basura Doméstica** Normal

Basura doméstica y bolsas de basura de cualquier tipo no serán recogidas como parte de este programa. Debe seguir su programa normal de retiro de basura.



- · Hojas (no las ponga en bolsas)
- Troncos
- Plantas
- Ramas de arboles

- Aire acondicionados
- Congeladores
- Refrigeradores
- · Fogón/Estufa
- · Lavadora, secadora



Para más información visite la pagina de web www.eng.hctx.net o llame a Línea directa de Escombros al 713-274-3880