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Shelby County Public Works to Recycle Holiday Greenery

Shelby County Government will again operate a recycling center for discarded holiday trees and greenery at the Agricenter.

Through January 9, 2017, Christmas trees and other greenery, free of lights and decorations, can be dropped off in a designated area near Showplace Arena at 105 South Germantown Road.

“This is the 18th year for the program. We want people to take advantage of this free service and bring their trees and other decorations to the recycling center. After the holidays, we find many of these items dumped along the roadsides,” said Tom Needham, Director of Public Works.

The recycling initiative is part of Shelby County's *Sustainable Shelby* plan, which focuses on ways to conserve energy and protect natural resources.

Mulch made from the greenery will be available to citizens next spring and fall during *Earth Day* or *America Recycles* events.

The initiative is funded by a litter removal grant from the State of Tennessee Department of Transportation. For more information, contact Lisa Williams at the Shelby County Public Works Environmental Programs office at lisa.williams@shelbycountyttn.gov

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