

## **NEWS from the Shelby County Mayor's Office**

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# SHELBY COUNTY GOVERNMENT ADDS THIRD DAY FOR HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COMMUNITY DROPOFF LOCATION

The Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility will expand its hours for Shelby County residents beginning June 1, 2022.

**Shelby County, TN** – The Shelby County Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility will expand its hours of operation to include Thursdays, now giving residents three days to dispose of hazardous materials. This is hazardous waste that might otherwise pollute the environment or present a danger at homes. The facility is operated by the Shelby County Division of Public Works and is located at 6305 Haley Road, Memphis, Tennessee 38134. Beginning June 1, 2022, workers will accept household hazardous waste each Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency categorizes hazardous waste as products that can catch fire, corrode, or explode. The agency states that improper disposal of hazardous waste can pollute the environment and pose a threat to human health. Some items can cause injury to sanitation workers, contaminate septic tanks, or wastewater treatment systems.

**Darren Sanders, Shelby County Engineer:** "We are happy to see so many Shelby County residents make the extra effort to bring their household hazardous waste to us for disposal. Adding a third day helps us to better meet the needs of our residents."



# More on the Shelby County Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility

The Shelby County Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility is for residential hazardous waste only. That includes automotive fluids, electronics, flammable liquids, and oil-based paints. Details about the operation and a more extensive list of accepted items <u>is available online</u>. For more information, call **901-222-7705**.

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