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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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## NON-POTABLE WATER DISTRIBUTION AT HICKORY HILL COMMUNITY CENTER

*City of Memphis distributing 5-gallon containers of water for flushing toilets only*

SHELBY COUNTY, TN – Today and tomorrow, City of Memphis, with the support of Shelby County Health Department and donations from Home Depot, will provide 5-gallon containers of non-potable water to be used to flush toilets in homes with little or no water pressure.

**What:** Non-potable Water Distribution

**Where:** Hickory Hill Community Center, 3910 Ridgeway Road

**When:** December 27, 2022 from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
December 28, 2022, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

The water given away at Hickory Hill Community Center is not treated and is not safe for drinking. It should not be used for cooking or washing/bathing, even if it has been boiled.

**It should only be used for flushing toilets.**

Residents are advised to wash or sanitize their hands with soap and tap water or use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer after handling or using the non-potable water supplied at the Hickory Hill Community Center.

For more information about water safety, please visit:

<https://www.cdc.gov/healthywater/drinking/preventing-waterborne-germs-at-home.html>.

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