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City of Charleston Hurricane Dorian September 12 Recovery Update

Charleston, S.C.—As of 5 p.m. today, crews had collected more than a quarter of a million cubic feet of debris from neighborhoods throughout the city of Charleston.

Crews will continue to collect until 7 p.m. tonight and will resume first thing in the morning.

Contractors have been hired and are currently assisting with debris pick up and removal throughout the city.

Plans for a special debris collection schedule are currently being finalized and will be released when complete. Under this schedule, crews will continue to collect debris, lawn waste and trash, excluding non-vegetative bulk items such as household appliances, bedding and furniture.

Garbage collection is currently running on a normal schedule citywide.

To ensure an effective collection process, and to allow crews to continue to move throughout neighborhoods as quickly as possible, citizens are reminded to separate their garbage from their debris when placing it at the curb. Additionally, citizens are asked to have all of their debris ready for pick up no later than Sunday, September 22nd.

Homeowners are reminded that any debris and construction materials resulting from home repairs covered by insurance should be removed and disposed of by the private contractor and not put out for municipal pick up.

Open burning is not permitted in the city, and citizens are reminded that leaves must be bagged in paper lawn and refuse bags for collection, as loose leaves clog storm drains.

With the initial, citywide damage assessment sweep now complete, teams will continue to work directly with citizens whose properties sustained significant damage as a result of the storm.

Citizens are encouraged to keep sandbags provided by the city through the remainder of hurricane season, which concludes on November 30.

Over the next two weeks, street sweeping crews will continue to move throughout the city conducting storm cleanup, and the normal street sweeping schedule will resume thereafter.

Stormwater crews continue working to clear storm drains and ditches of debris.

Angel Oak Road has been cleared and reopened to traffic, and Angel Oak Park will resume normal operations tomorrow.

The Parks Department's damage evaluations continue as crews work to clean up the city's public spaces and prioritize hundreds of city trees for work.

All Recreation facilities and programs are open and running as normal, except for the Municipal Golf Course. The driving range, putting greens, clubhouse and back nine are open. The front nine remains closed until further notice.

Residents are encouraged to continue to report damage and suspected dumping violations to the city's Citizen Services Desk at 843-724-7311.

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