

Volusia County offers residents the opportunity to apply for an exemption from the special assessment charge for residential garbage collection. Applications are available through the Solid Waste Division. Upon review of the completed applications, exemptions from the special assessment charge may be granted by the director on individual parcels of residential improved real property. The basis for solid waste exemptions are as follows:

- (1) Access road conditions and/or density of area prove impractical to service, and residents can demonstrate legal disposal of garbage and recyclable material. (For recycling requirements see #3 below)
- (2) A resident provides proof of severely limited income and demonstrates legal disposal of garbage and recyclable materials.
- (3) Commercial property owner's residence is adjoining or connected to a commercial property with commercial service. Proof of solid waste contract is required which states inclusion of your home. Proof also is required for recycling these household materials: glass bottles and jars, newspapers, mixed residential paper, phone books, aluminum and metal food or beverage cans and plastic liquid bottles. Provide one or more of the following: (a) listing of what materials are recycled at which drop-off centers and how often, (b) dated receipts from recycling centers or (c) proof of contract which allows recycling of materials stated above if using commercial recycling dumpster.

Residents applying for **option # 2** above are required to complete the application and mail the required documentation or meet with a Volusia County Human Services representative to determine eligibility. Human Services will make the decision based on their criteria of eligibility. This department will adhere to their decision as to whether the resident is accepted for this exemption. Volusia County residents may make their appointments with Human Services by calling 386-736-5956, 386-254-4675, or 386-423-3309.

Solid Waste Exemptions must be renewed annually. If residents fail to submit a completed Application for Exemption for review the special assessment charge for mandatory garbage collection is automatically reapplied to the parcel in question. Pursuant to Solid Waste Chapter 106, Sec.106-98, there is no exemption for the full or part time vacancy of a structure.

All questions regarding the Applications for Exemption from Mandatory Residential Garbage Collection should be directed to the Solid Waste Division, 3151 E New York Ave., DeLand, FL 32724, or via phone at 386-943-7889, 386-257-6021, 386-423-3862, 386-574-0598.