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### **City of Milan DPW Brush Chipping Service**

The City of Milan DPW offers curbside brush chipping services to city residents. The chipper is scheduled to go out every Wednesday beginning in May; chipping services will end during the month of October. Start and end dates are dependent on the weather. Contact City Hall should you have questions about service dates.

There are certain regulations that must be followed in order for brush to be chipped. The regulations are as follows:

- Branches, limbs, etc must be 4 inches in diameter or less.
- Brush must be neatly piled behind the curb with the cut ends facing the street. Do not pile brush in the street. City crews will not access private property to gather brush. Piles that are not neat and orderly will not be picked up. Crews have a lot of area to cover, and a limited amount of time to get through the entire city.
- The amount of brush is limited to 6 cubic yards, or a pile 9 feet long by 4 feet wide by 4 feet long. Piles larger than this will not be completely removed.
- No roots or stumps allowed, as they will damage the chipper.
- No vine material allowed, like grape vines, poison ivy vines, etc. They plug up the chipper and slow down the process. It is recommended that these be cut smaller and placed in yard waste containers for the normal Tuesday curbside yard waste pickup.
- Material that has nails or wires or other debris attached will not be picked up.
- Material to be chipped can be placed at the curb only 3-4 days prior to the scheduled chipping date (typically the weekend before the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays of the month) Piles that are placed out too soon or too late will be required to be removed from the curb side until the next scheduled pickup date.
- Once the chipper has been down a street, it will not return until the next regularly scheduled chipping date.

Also, regular Tuesday yard waste pickup will run from the first Tuesday in April through the second Tuesday in November. Yard waste must be placed in Kraft paper bags or a 32-gallon (or less) container labeled with a yard waste sticker, and placed at the curb, separate from the normal rubbish. Yard waste stickers are available at City Hall at no cost.

Please call the Milan City Hall at (734) 439-1501 with any questions.