

WEKIVA TERRACE

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KEEP LEAVES AND YARD WASTE OUT OF STORM DRAINS

ACTIONS YOU TAKE IN YOUR YARD IMPACT OUR SEWERS, STREAMS, AND RIVERS.



For example, leaves and grass clippings left on the ground can block and clog storm drains and sewer pipes, contributing to street flooding when it rains. Fertilizers and yard waste can also cause nutrient pollution and oxygen depletion in our streams and rivers when carried through storm drains and sewers. Not only does this hurt our waterways, it can also harm fish and wildlife.

Help protect our water and sewer resources:

- Do not rake or blow leaves or grass clippings off your property into the street.
- Place your leaves in a bag for curbside yard debris collection or compost them at home.
- If you have a mulching lawnmower, use it to recycle leaves and their nutrients into your lawn.
- Only apply fertilizers or pesticides if necessary and do not overapply.
- Select slow-release and organic fertilizers, which are less likely to wash away.
- Fertilize lawns in the fall to promote root growth and prevent nutrients washing away during spring rains.
- Do not dump yard waste, trash, or other waste near or into storm drains.





Recycling is required by Orange County Code. To reduce the amount of garbage in the recycling stream, the Orange County Utilities Solid Waste Division encourages residents to "[Think 5](#)" by focusing on the top five recyclable items—plastic, metal, and glass containers, as well as cardboard and paper. The overall goal is to help raise awareness about good recycling habits.

Place only these empty and dry recyclable items in the roll cart with the blue lid:

- **PLASTIC**
Bottles, jugs, and tubs labeled #1 - #5
- **METAL CANS**
Tin, aluminum, and steel
- **GLASS**
Bottles and jars
- **CARDBOARD**
Flattened corrugated boxes
- **PAPER**
Newspapers and advertisements
Paper bags
Junk mail
Magazines and catalogs
Office/note paper
Phone books
Cereal/shoe/drink boxes
Milk/juice cartons



The recycling program can only recycle the material listed above and no other material should go into the recycling cart. Plastic bags and wraps are particularly troublesome. Check local stores for drop-off containers to recycle plastic bags, film, and wrap.

RECYCLING OR GARBAGE CAN DAMAGED?

We have been using the mechanized can pick up for several years now. The cans are beginning to show their wear!!

You may request repair or replacement by going to this link:

(<https://www.ocfl.net/WaterGarbageRecycling/CartRequestForm.aspx>)

HOA MEETING

Do you know how your annual assessment is used? Learn what your HOA does for you!!

Wednesday, March 5

7:00 p.m.

Southwest Property Management Office

610 Wymore Avenue, #200

Maitland

**COME HAVE A SAY IN WHAT HAPPENS IN
YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD!**

