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**ESSEX COUNTY EXECUTIVE DIVINCENZO ANNOUNCES
2009 LEAF COLLECTION SCHEDULE FOR ESSEX COUNTY
ROADS**

***Leaves May Be Placed in Biodegradable Bags or Swept to
the Curb***

Essex County, NJ – Essex County Executive Joseph N. DiVincenzo, Jr. announced Essex County's 2009 Leaf Collection Schedule for County Roads. The County is responsible for collecting leaves that fall on the street or right of way while municipalities are responsible to collect leaves that fall in the side and rear yards. Residents whose properties are on County Roads may place their leaves in biodegradable bags or sweep the loose leaves into piles at the curb.

To organize leaf collection on County roads, Essex County is divided into four sections. There will be three pickups in each section of the County. DiVincenzo has asked residents on County roads to check the accompanying leaf collection schedule and coordinate their fall cleanup activities with the County.

The following schedule lists the four sections, the municipalities included in each section and the collection times when leaves will be picked up in each section.

Section I: (***Cedar Grove, Millburn and West Orange***) October

26th to October 30th; November 23rd to November 27th; and December 21st to December 24th.

Section II: (***South Orange and Maplewood***) November 2nd to November 6th, November 30th to December 4th; and December 28th to December 31st.

Section III: (***Belleville and East Orange***) November 9th to November 13th, December 7th to December 11th; and January 4th to January 8th (*The last pick up will be made only if it is needed*).

Section IV: (***Irvington, Newark and Orange***) November 16th to November 20th, December 14th to December 18th; and January 11th to January 15th (*The last pick up will be made only if it is needed*).

Essex County has entered into shared services agreements in which the towns of Bloomfield, Caldwell, Essex Fells, Fairfield, Glen Ridge, Livingston, Montclair, North Caldwell, Nutley, Roseland, Verona and West Caldwell will collect leaves on County roads. If your property is located on a County road in one of these towns, please consult your municipal Public Works Department for more information or to obtain a schedule.

Residents who have questions about the leaf collection schedule may call the Essex County Department of Public Works Division of Roads and Bridges at 973-239-3369, Ext. 0.

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