



CITY OF KENNER

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KENNER RECYCLING PROGRAM RELOCATING AND EXPANDING

Kenner, LA. -Kenner residents can expect some big changes with the city recycling program in January 2014. The Kenner City Park drop-off location will be closing and two new locations will open starting Jan. 3, 2014.

When drop-off recycling locations were opened in Kenner at the beginning of 2013, city officials had no idea it would be so successful. A few months after starting the program, which brought recycling back to Kenner since being eliminated after Hurricane Katrina, a second container was added at the City Park site as the program became very successful.

“The program is expanding and we are trying hard to meet the demand but we still have to be conscious of our budget,” said Kenner Deputy Chief Administrative Officer Natalie Newton.

The administration, in agreement with Kenner City Council members, decided to purchase a larger roll-off container. “It was decided the location at City Park would not be a good fit for the new receptacle,” Newton said. After careful evaluation government officials agreed that City Park is not the best location for recycling. The decision was made to place the new larger drop off container behind the Pontchartrain Center in Laketown near Coconut Beach.

City Officials are working hard to make some improvements to City Park and the larger container did not fit in to the new schematics. “In addition, dumping of non-recyclables outside the containers is becoming a problem contributing to littering in the park,” said Newton.

An additional drop-off location will open in North Kenner Park, which is located on 38th Street near Williams Boulevard. The North Kenner Park location will utilize the existing, donated recycle trailers from City Park. An existing third drop-off location is at Veterans Park behind City Hall in south Kenner.

“My hope is this minor change in strategy will have a major impact that benefits our recycling program and allow us to de-clutter City Park,” said Kenner Mayor Michael S. Yenni.

In addition to the three drop-off locations available in Kenner, residents can bring their recycling to the Jefferson Parish trash drop-off site located at 400 David Drive in Metairie. Hours of operations are the same as

the trash drop-off times which are on Tuesday through Sunday from 9:00 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. and during Daylight Savings Time from 10:00 a.m. until 6:30 p.m.

For any comments or questions regarding Kenner's drop-off recycling program contact Natalie Newton at 468-7240.

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