



Meridian Waste Cleans Up The Streets of Callahan

Day 1: Residential Collection Contract Begins

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (September 30, 2019) – [Meridian Waste](#), an integrated, non-hazardous solid waste services company, began residential solid waste and recycling collection services on September 30 for the Town of Callahan. The new service is the company's first Florida exclusive solid waste franchise.

Meridian Waste is providing once a week garbage collection utilizing a 95-gallon cart, once a week yard waste collection, once a week bulk waste collection (limit two items per collection), and every other week recycling collection starting Thursday, October 10. The Company purchased a new rear load collection vehicle, a knuckle boom truck, and all new garbage and recycling carts to service the Town and its citizens.

Specific guidelines regarding what residents may or may not place curbside for correct solid waste and recycling collection can be found here: www.MeridianWaste.com/Callahan and can be printed from here: <https://www.meridianwaste.com/media/159683/callahan-information-flyer-collection-guidelines.pdf>. Important changes include the elimination of glass from the recycling stream due to it being a common contaminant in single stream recycling processes and the change to every other week collection of recyclables to keep costs low and fewer trucks on the road.

Residential Collection Schedule:

Garbage = Monday

Bulk Waste = Monday

Yard Waste = Thursday

Recycling = Every Other Thursday (starting October 10)

Recycling Collection Calendar:

<https://www.meridianwaste.com/media/157448/callahan-rcy-schedule-2019-20.pdf>

Commercial collection becomes an open market effective October 1, allowing businesses the opportunity to choose their waste hauler for the first time in more than a decade. The commercial hauler must hold a Nassau County solid waste permit in order to provide service. Meridian Waste is one of the approved Nassau County solid waste haulers.

"As a business owner who first started his company in Nassau County just outside of Callahan, I am proud to be able to provide vital environmental services to the residents of Callahan," said Dave

Shepler, district manager of Meridian Waste and the founder of Partner Disposal (acquired by Meridian Waste in 2018). “The Town of Callahan has been an incredible partner as we transition the service from the incumbent hauler to Meridian Waste. It is our goal to ensure that this partnership strengthens and thrives through quality service, open communication, and a clean environment for the benefit of the Town, its citizens and Meridian Waste.”

If Town residents or commercial entities need to reach out to Meridian Waste to request a cart or dumpster, please call 904.849.5122 or email CustomerCareNassauCoFL@MeridianWaste.com.

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Photo: Meridian Waste team members Billy Harris, Commercial Driver's License (CDL) driver and Quince Perry, helper, collect garbage on Day 1 of the Town of Callahan's new residential solid waste contract with Meridian Waste.

About Meridian Waste

Headquartered in Charlotte, NC., Meridian Waste is a company defined by its commitment to servicing its customers, caring for and engaging its employees, and generating financial value for its shareholders while delivering a clean and healthy community. The company's core waste business is centered on residential, commercial, and industrial non-hazardous waste collection and disposal. Currently, the company operates in St. Louis, Mo., Richmond, Va., Blacksburg, Va., Augusta, Ga., Northeast Florida and Knoxville, Tenn., servicing more than 114,000 residential, commercial,

industrial and governmental customers. In addition to a fleet of commercial, residential, and roll-off trucks, the company operates one transfer station, three recycling facilities, three municipal solid waste landfills and two Construction and Demolition (C&D) landfills in which 890,676 tons of waste are safely disposed annually. For more information, visit MeridianWaste.com.

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