



**HOMER TOWNSHIP
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2012 BRUSH PICKUP PROGRAM:

Homer Township Highway Department offers brush pickup as a service to its residents. The Township Brush Removal Program is for the homeowner's convenience. We have a brush chipper designed to mulch those limbs and branches that do not qualify as yard waste. Our equipment is **not designed to grind small twigs and evergreen trimmings**. Your garbage service will take yard waste and roots.

The brush pick up program is intended as a service to residents to assist them in their seasonal tree maintenance and any minor storm damage to trees. It shall not be used by private contractors or residents who are removing whole trees, performing major landscaping projects, clearing lots for the construction of homes, swimming pools, new entrances, or the creation of more open space.

GUIDELINES FOR BRUSH PICKUP

The following information shall assist residents regarding brush pickup procedures:

- Brush piles must be placed on the parkway not on the road which causes a safety hazard. The piles must be stacked in an orderly fashion and not tied in bundles. **Brush left out in a tangled mess will not be picked up.**
- Branch piles must be no larger than 5' wide by 3' high. You may have more than one pile.
- Branches cannot be larger than 10 inches in diameter.
- Branches will be picked up within a week; we cannot schedule an exact day.
- **ITEMS NOT ALLOWED:** Stumps, root balls, roots, lumber, metal of any kind, posts, clippings, dirt, grass, flowers, weeds, plants, leaves, plastic bags, and any type of household garbage.
- **DO NOT PLACE PILE IN FRONT OF VACANT LOTS:** Cutting down a tree on your private property is not considered to be trimming or pruning and the Township will not remove the debris. Downed trees by storms on private property will be the responsibility of the homeowner to have removed. Downed trees in the parkway/right-of-way will be picked up by the Highway Department.
- Please contact us for more information and call the number below to be placed on the list for brush pickup.
- Homer Township Highway Department phone number **708-301-0246**.

The Program Will End on Friday, November 2nd, 2012