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MONSANTO CONTRIBUTION HELPS EAST ST. LOUIS WITH TRASH PROBLEM

Trash collection is a service that the citizens of East St. Louis no longer take for granted. Residents have been without regular trash collection since last October, when the city ran out of money to pay its sanitation contractor.

Monsanto's William G. Krummrich plant in Sauget, Illinois is giving East St. Louis citizens a helping hand with the city's mounting trash collection problems. The plant has donated $5,000 from the Monsanto Fund for the rental of 29 temporary trash collection dumpsters to be placed throughout the city, providing a safe and convenient means for residents to dispose of their garbage. The dumpsters will be available at locations in East St. Louis from January 21 through January 25.

Daryl Moore, a Krummrich employee and East St. Louis precinct committeeman, brought the situation to the attention of Roy Shaneberger, the plant's General Superintendent of Personnel, and asked if there was anything Monsanto could do to help. The plant requested a donation from the Monsanto Fund, the company's charitable organization, and presented the check to the East St. Louis Township this week.

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"I just got involved as a citizen," Moore said. "As an employee, I know that Monsanto is very community conscious, and thought the company could help alleviate the trash problem. I talked to Mr. Shaneberger and Anne Jordan, East St. Louis Township Supervisor, and we went from there."

Beginning the morning of January 21 through January 25, East St. Louisians may deposit trash in the temporary dumpsters available at the following locations: 29th Street and Ridge (in James E. Williams Park), 740 N. 37th Street, 665 N. 38th Street, 18th Street and College (next to school), 16th Street and Cleveland, 2200 St. Louis Avenue (in Officer-McBride Park), 53rd Street and Summit (across from Shriner Temple), 3026 Forrest, 78th Street and Marybelle (in ballpark), 1127 Gaty, 3904 Glass, 42nd Street and Lincoln, 724 Summit Avenue, 2501 Waverly Avenue, 29th Street and Bond (northwest corner), 16th Street and Central, 1501 N. 44th Street, 601 N. 75th Street, 10th Street and Trendley, 1800 McCasland, the intersection of Bouganville and Vieuxcarre, 1723 Henrietta (northeast corner), 1400 Lynch, 310 Exchange, 1415 N. 13th Street, 82nd Street and State (south corner), 1679 N. 25th Street, 1061 N. 18th Street and 1870 Central Avenue.

The dumpsters will provide a temporary solution to the trash build-up throughout the city. By utilizing the dumpsters, residents can eliminate the trash at their homes and assist the city in reducing dangers to health and the nuisance of scattered debris.

"The locations for the dumpsters are spread out as widely as possible to provide access for all East St. Louisans," Moore said. "We ask that residents deposit only trash contained in plastic garbage bags. If people find the dumpster nearest their home is filling up, they should go to another dumpster."

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"As Township Supervisor, I wish to thank Monsanto and Daryl Moore for this assistance, on behalf of the citizens of East St. Louis," said Ms. Jordan.

For more information on dumpster locations, contact the East St. Louis Township office at 874-3410.

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