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Contact Habitat for Humanity of Sangamon County to Schedule Springfield Large-item Pickup Service

Did you know that Springfield residents may call Habitat for Humanity of Sangamon County (HFHSC) or go online to schedule the city of Springfield large-item pickup service?

Eligible Springfield residents who would like to use the city's free large-item pickup service may call HFHSC at 523-2710, Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m., or book your pickup of large items online via our website at www.habitatsangamon.com>ReStore>Large item.

"The large item pick-up program operates year-round with the pick-up year ending on March 31st," said HFHSC Executive Director Colleen Stone. "City of Springfield residents are eligible to have a maximum of six large items picked up annually. "

City residents can schedule a one-time pickup of six items or two separate pickups of no more than three large items. Hazardous items such as tires, TV's and other electronic goods, paint or hazardous substances, are not eligible for large-item pickup.

"Please remember, the city doesn't allow items to be placed on the curb for more than 24-hours," emphasized Lance Morgan, Habitat ReStore Manager. "Please schedule your pick up *before* hauling your items to the curb either online or by calling us. Items should not be placed at the curb until the night before your pick up date."

This program does not allow pickup of hazardous items. Acceptable items include, but are not limited to couches, entertainment centers and other furniture items, mattresses, box springs, 5 x 10 rolls of carpet, filing cabinets, water heaters, window-unit air conditioners, appliances, grills, basketball hoops, trampolines, and pool liners.

"If you have questions about the city's free large item pickup program, please contact us" said Morgan. "You can also check out our website at <u>www.habitatsangamon.com</u> for a complete list of all kinds of acceptable items. This program does not allow pickup of hazardous items – please check with us first, if you're in doubt."

For more information about HFHSC or to join efforts to eliminate poverty housing in Sangamon County, visit <u>http://www.habitatsangamon.com</u> or call 217.523.2710.