This year, after the presents are opened and the ornaments are removed from the once-sparkling Christmas tree, Charlotte County’s franchise hauler, Waste Management of Florida invites residents to recycle their trees through its curbside tree collection program.

Residential curbside tree collection will take place the first two weeks following Christmas on customers’ scheduled collection day.

When placing trees on the curb for collection, customers should follow these guidelines:

- Remove all decorations, including tinsel, lights, ornaments and tree stands, and place your tree on the curb for recycling.
- Place trees that are undecorated or do not have artificial snow and colorings at the curb.
- Trees taller than six feet must be cut in half.
- Please note that are decorated trees with artificial snow cannot be recycled. Your trash collector will collect them.
- Residents that live in multi-family complexes should contact their property manager for proper disposal.

Christmas Trees can be recycled and given back to nature in the form of mulch.