



### Special OCRRA Hours for Real Christmas Tree Drop-offs

**SYRACUSE, NY [December 28, 2023]** - Real Christmas trees can be reused to produce mulch for local landscapes. If your municipality doesn't offer tree pick-up service (call your highway department to check), the Onondaga County Resource Recovery Agency (OCRRA) has two sites where real trees are accepted from Onondaga County residents.

Visit the Amboy or Jamesville Compost Sites, Monday - Friday (sorry, no weekends), Jan. 2 - 12, from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. You will not need a compost site pass to drop off a real Christmas tree and there is no fee.

OCRRA grinds trees into mulch that residents purchase for planting and landscaping in the spring. That's why all decorations must be removed. Tinsel, plastic, metal and glass ornaments do not belong in mulch. Throw away unusable decorations.

**Need video?** Visits to independently gather video and sound can be arranged with advance notice to ensure trees are available. Workers mulch piles quickly.

**NOTE:** Artificial trees do not belong at OCRRA Compost Sites. Some thrift stores will take them as donations, with conditions. Call ahead to check. Residents may drop-off artificial trees at Rock Cut Road Transfer Station for a fee. Visit [OCRRA.org](http://OCRRA.org) for details.

#### **About OCRRA**

OCRRA is a non-profit, public benefit corporation created by the New York State Legislature to oversee solid waste management and the resource recovery system for Onondaga County residents. The agency operates a transfer station on Rock Cut Road in Jamesville as well as the Jamesville and Amboy Compost Sites. OCRRA also oversees partnerships for recycling services, Waste-to-Energy operations, and the management of household hazardous waste, among other services. For more information, visit [www.OCRRA.org](http://www.OCRRA.org).