



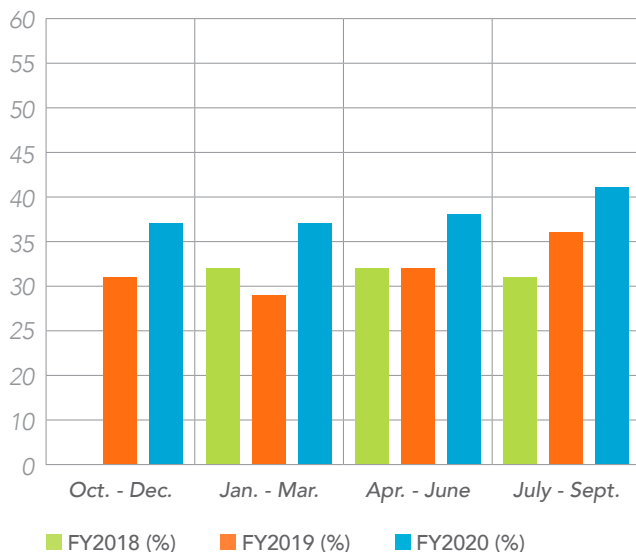
PARTICIPATION CONTINUES TO GROW IN HCUA RECYCLING PROGRAM

Another year has passed, and it was another year where the participation in the HCUA recycling program improved from the year before. In FY20, Harrison County residents posted their highest recycling rate percentage for a single year, with an average of 38% participation for the year. The FY20 yearly average was a 6% improvement from FY18 and FY19.

Not only was the year average an improvement, HCUA also saw some of its highest single-month participation rates last year. The best month was November in the fiscal year last year, which was a participation rate of 43%. Here are some of the numbers from our recycling program over the last year:

- HCUA residents finished FY20 really strong, as the months from June to September all posted recycling rates of 40% and higher.
- Since June 2019, no month has posted a lower recycling participation rate from the year before. All 16 months (June 2019 – September 2020) had better scores than the same month from the year before.
- FY20 was the first year where no month in the year had a recycling participation rate below 30%. The lowest rate for the year was 34%, which is still above the 32% yearly averages of FY18 and FY19.
- Check out our graph below as we compare the different quarters of the years and their recycling rates from FY18-FY20. Please note, there are no numbers for FY2018 for Q1 due to the new program just starting.

COMPARING RECYCLING RATES FROM FISCAL YEARS OF 2018-2020



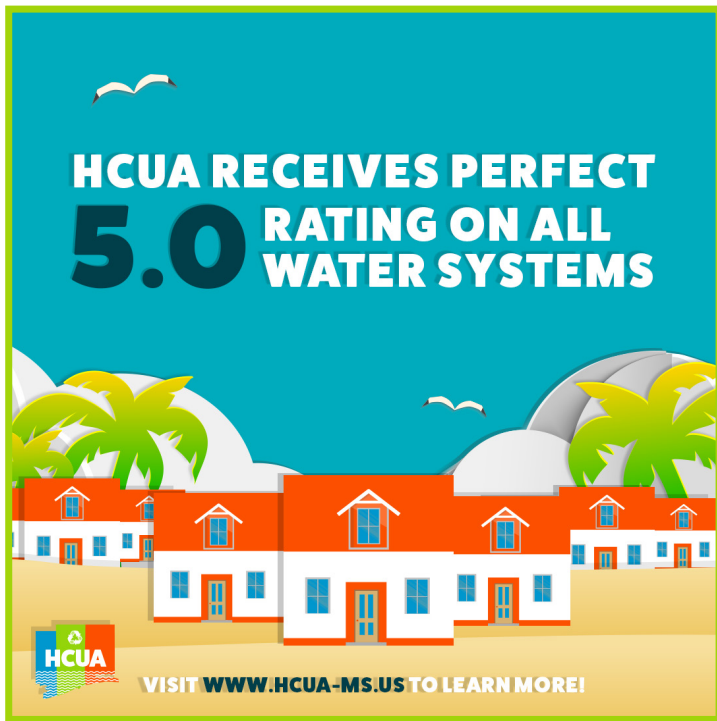
SOLID WASTE SERVICE IMPACTS DURING HOLIDAY SEASON

The HCUA curbside solid waste service will not run on the Fridays of Christmas Day (12/25) and New Years Day (1/1). For those that receive service on Fridays, your pickup will move to the following Saturdays (12/26 & 1/2). There will be no other days impacted.

Have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

HCUA PRAISES FRONTLINE WORKERS

With the increase in garbage, recycling and yard waste from this last year due to hurricane season and families at home due to COVID-19, we can't thank our Waste Management team and partner Pelican Waste & Debris for their dedication and hard work during this highly stressful time. The two teams combined to work tirelessly as essential workers to ensure there were no issues with service.



In their annual review of water systems around the state, the Mississippi State Department of Health (MSDH) gave all four water systems operated by the Harrison County Utility Authority perfect scores for providing clean and high-quality drinking water to its cities and their residents.

The three categories of the MSDH inspection include technical capacity, managerial capacity and financial capacity, with a 5.0 being the highest possible score for each category. All four systems under the watch of HCUA received perfect 5.0 scores in 2020, which is the third-straight year the utility authority has received perfect scores for all systems.

The four HCUA water systems are split up into coverage zones of Traditions (Traditions residential to East Harrison County Public Utility District), North (Northern Harrison County to wholesale services to Saucier Utilities), West (cities of Gulfport, Long Beach and Pass Christian and West Harrison County Utility District) and East (cities of D'Iberville and Biloxi and East Harrison County Utility District). Water production from all four water systems total approximately 60 million gallons of potable water per month, which has risen from 20 million monthly in June 2015.

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STAFF ANNIVERSARIES: (NOVEMBER - JANUARY)

- **Cindy Breaux, Chief Financial Officer** - November 2019 (1 year)
- **Joe Sanders, Utility Technician** - November 2017 (3 years)
- **Alan Lane, Solid Waste Coordinator** - December 2016 (4 years)
- **Derek Bullock, Project Manager** - January 2018 (2 years)
- **Gerald Cook, Utility Technician** - January 2016 (4 years)

GET INVOLVED:

3RD ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CARDBOARD RECYCLING EVENT

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 26, 2020 (8:00 AM - 12:00 PM)

Drop off your Holiday boxes to be recycled at these 5 locations:

- **D'Iberville Civic Center** - 10395 Auto Mall Parkway, D'Iberville
- **Harrison County Work Center** - 10076 Lorraine Road, Gulfport
- **Long Beach Harbor** - Highway 90, Long Beach
- **Edgewater Mall Parking Lot** - 2600 Beach Blvd., Biloxi
- **West Harrison County Storm Shelter** - 15038 County Farm Road

CHRISTMAS TREE RECYCLING STATION

DECEMBER 26 – JANUARY 9

Please remove all decorations, lights and stands to drop off your Christmas Tree at these locations:

- **Mississippi Power's Plant Watson** - Cowan-Lorraine Rd. – Gulfport
- **Rodenburg Ave. Highway 90 Parking Bay** – Biloxi
- **Courthouse Road Pier** – Gulfport
- **Long Beach Harbor** – Long Beach
- **Pass Christian Harbor** – Pass Christian

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