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TURN OVER A NEW LEAF **Mulching Leaves with Mower Saves Time and Tax Dollars**

WAUKESHA, Wisconsin – October 14, 2011 – Waukesha County Recycling & Solid Waste Office reminds homeowners about easy alternatives for handling their own yard debris that saves tax dollars, improves air quality, adds nutrients to the soil, and reduces the need to water.

Municipalities in Waukesha County spend more than \$2 million a year collecting and processing yard debris. Residents who manage even a portion of their leaves on their property can directly reduce that cost. So “Turn Over a New Leaf” this year by mulching your leaves directly into the lawn as you mow.

Not only will residents save time raking and bagging or dragging leaves to the curb, their lawn will be healthier as well. No need to wait for the municipal truck to pick up leaves; handle them on your own schedule. For more information and to view a demonstration video, visit www.waukeshacounty.gov/leaves

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