



## 01 SPRINGFEST 2022

TULSA'S PREMIER GARDENING MARKET

SpringFest, Tulsa Garden Center's must-visit annual educational event for all things gardening, will be held at Linnaeus Teaching Garden at Woodward Park on the event lawn on Friday, April 8, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Saturday, April 9, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Tulsa Garden Center, 2435 S. Peoria Ave.

Come kick off the spring gardening season in Woodward Park. Shop dozens of vendors selling a wide variety of plants, garden art, and more. Expert horticulturalists will be on-site to solve all your gardening questions. Food will be available on site for purchase during the event.

Linnaeus Teaching Garden will have plants to sell, and many affiliated plant societies will be present with educational booths as well. It's a great opportunity to connect with a community of other plant enthusiasts to share experience or gain knowledge to help with all your gardening needs.

Admission to the event is free, with customer parking in front of the mansion costing \$5 per vehicle, or free for Garden Center members, Tulsa Historical Society Museum members, or those with disability tags. Proceeds from SpringFest benefit Woodward Park beautification and educational programs. For updates and more information, visit: [www.tulsagardencenters.org/springfest](http://www.tulsagardencenters.org/springfest)

Make plans to spend the day at SpringFest at Woodward Park.

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# WE'RE HIRING

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## 02 CITY JOB OPENINGS

JOIN OUR TEAM TO SERVE OUR CITIZENS

Looking for a new job or career change? The City of Tulsa has employment opportunities available in the professional, labor, administrative, information systems and technical fields. The City is looking for team players who are interested in providing outstanding customer service to the citizens of Tulsa.

The City of Tulsa also offers new-hire stipends ranging from \$1,000 to \$3,000 for critical positions including 911 operators, customer care agents, mechanics, police officers, electricians and others. Benefits offered to full-time employees include medical, dental, vision, retirement, life insurance, paid vacation, holidays and sick leave; many positions have advancement opportunities.

To apply for available positions or to look up job descriptions and pay rates, go to [www.cityoftulsa.org/jobs](http://www.cityoftulsa.org/jobs). On this web page, you can create an account and register to be notified about positions in your areas of interest that may become available in the future. You will be alerted via email when new job opportunities arise.

The City of Tulsa is an equal opportunity employer and ban-the-box employer. For certain positions criminal history is not requested until later in the hiring process. Additionally, the City of Tulsa has taken the Pay Equity Pledge, which is an ongoing commitment to provide employees equal pay for equal work, no matter a person's gender.



### 03 SAFE MEDICINE DISPOSAL

#### NEVER FLUSH MEDS DOWN TOILETS

Proper disposal of unused medications benefits people's health and the environment. Medications should not be left around the house, available for possible misuse by family members.

Also, medications should not be flushed down toilets. Our wastewater treatment plants are unable to remove the chemicals found in medications, so trace amounts of these drugs are discharged into local streams. Long-term exposure to these chemicals can harm aquatic wildlife.

Tulsa participates in two National Drug Take Back Events each year: spring and fall. The next event will be in spring 2022. The date and location will be announced closer to the time of the event. Check local news for details.

Other options for properly disposing of prescription drugs include:

- **Drop off medications at one of the following stations, any time of the year, Monday through Friday.**
  - Tulsa Police Gilcrease Division, 3436 N. Delaware Ave., 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.
  - Tulsa Police Mingo Valley Division, 10122 E. 11th St., 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.
  - Tulsa Police Riverside Division, 7515 S. Riverside Dr., 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.
  - Tulsa County Sheriff – 303 W. First St., 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.
- **Incineration through the City of Tulsa residential trash service (the gray cart.)**

### WORKING IN THE GARDEN?

#### VISIT CITY OF TULSA MULCH SITE

Tulsa is a green city, and our yards generate a lot of organic or garden materials – what we call “green waste.” It’s a valuable source of mulch for your flower beds and can be used on land reclamation sites and for firewood in the winter.

Mulch is a protective covering spread or left on the ground to add nutrients back to the soil, retain moisture by reducing evaporation, suppress weeds, maintain an even soil temperature, and prevent erosion.

The City of Tulsa Mulch Site, located at 2100 N. 145th East Ave., is a green solution where residential and commercial customers can bring green waste to be recovered. Hours are 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday, and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday, excluding City holidays

You can drop-off plant material including leaves, grass, tree limbs, brush, trunks up to 10 feet long, straw, and chipped trees. Anyone can pick up an unlimited amount of mulch and firewood at **NO COST**.

These services are available to everyone and are free to City of Tulsa, Broken Arrow, Jenks and Bixby utility customers. Just remember to bring your driver's license or your most recent City utility bill.

The City of Tulsa charges a small fee to commercial customers and out of town residents. Fees are paid by credit or debit card prior to dumping. No other form of payment will be accepted. For more information, please visit <http://bit.ly/cot-mulch>



### 04 POLLUTANT DISPOSAL

#### BRING CHEMICALS TO CITY FACILITY

Start your spring cleaning by ridding your home of chemicals and potentially hazardous items. Bring them to the City of Tulsa Household Pollutant Collection Facility, 4502 S. Galveston Ave., open Wednesdays and Saturdays, 8 – 11:30 a.m. and noon – 4:30 p.m., excluding City holidays. Since opening in 2016, this facility has served nearly 11,000 customers who have disposed of more than 867,197 pounds of household pollutants.

Tulsa residents may dispose of pollutants free at the facility. Disposal fees may apply for non-Tulsa residents bringing more than 45 pounds. A Swap Shop also is open at the Household Pollutant Collection Facility, where customers may take up to five items for free.

The Household Pollutant Collection Facility is open for residential customers but not businesses disposing of commercial wastes. For more information about household pollutant disposal in Tulsa, see: [www.cityoftulsa.org/resource-recovery](http://www.cityoftulsa.org/resource-recovery)

#### ACCEPTED ITEMS:

- Oil based paints and thinners
- Latex paint
- Automotive fluids
- Flammable liquids
- Fluorescent and CFL lightbulbs
- Cooking oil/grease
- Aerosols, household cleaners
- Household and car batteries
- Pool and lawn chemicals
- Small electronics, mercury thermostats

#### NON-ACCEPTED ITEMS:

- Industrial or commercial waste
- Medical or biomedical waste (syringes, needles)
- Asbestos
- Food or organic waste
- Radioactive material
- Ammunition, explosives
- Tires
- Unknown materials or substances