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## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

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## City's Two Self-Help Stations Closed on Wednesdays

Starting Wednesday, February 3, 2010 the City of Milwaukee's two Self-Help stations, located at 6660 North Industrial Road and 3879 West Lincoln Avenue will be closed on Wednesdays due to budget restraints. The Self-Help Centers are used by thousands of Milwaukee households to get rid of items no longer needed or that won't fit into their garbage carts. Many use the Self-Help Centers to avoid the \$50 special pick up fee for items too large for the normal crew.

The winter hours of operation are: February 1, 2010 through April 11, 2010, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., closed on Sundays and Wednesdays.

The summer hours of operation are: April 12, 2010 through November 27, 2010, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., closed on Wednesdays.

The Self-Help stations will be closed on the following 2010 City holidays and furlough days; Good Friday/Easter: Friday, April 2, and Monday April 5; Memorial Day: Friday May 28 and Monday, May 31; Independence Day; Friday, July 2 and Monday July 5; Labor Day: Friday, September 3 and Monday, September 6; Thanksgiving: Thursday, November 25 and Friday, November 26; Christmas, Friday December 24 and Monday, December 27 and New Year's: Friday, December 31 and Monday January 3, 2011.

Also effective Thursday, April 1, 2010 there will be a charge for all construction related material that City residents bring into the self help stations. This includes roofing material, brick, stones, concrete, lumber, drywall, paneling and other construction materials. No contractors are allowed.

The charge is based on vehicle type and is as follows:

\$10 for a passenger car or sport utility vehicle

\$15 for a passenger car or sport utility vehicle with a single axle trailer

\$15 for a pickup truck or van

\$20 for a pickup truck or van with a single axle trailer