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**SATURDAY  
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**8 AM TO  
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**1100 S.  
WALNUT  
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## **FREE Trash Disposal Day**

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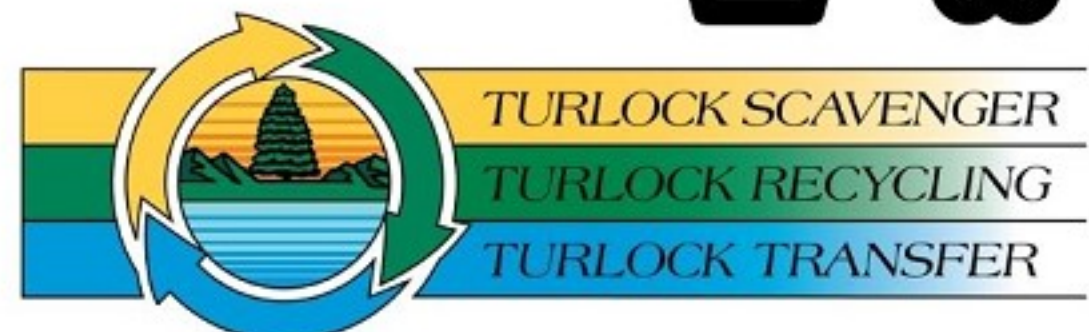
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### **PLEASE NOTE:**

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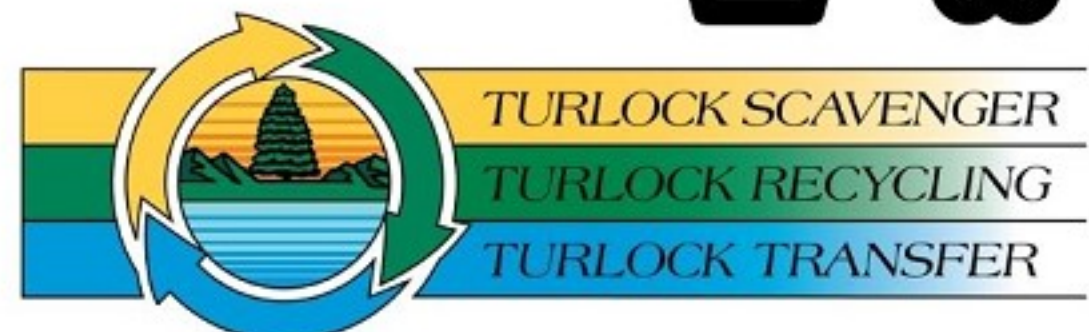
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