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### **JOIN US FOR A HALLOWEEN TOUR OF THE LOS REALES LANDFILL AND RECYCLING FACILITY... IF YOU DARE**

This Halloween, City of Tucson Environmental Services (ES) is offering a tour of the Los Reales Landfill and the ReCommunity, Inc. Materials Recovery Facility (MRF). Participants will get a 'behind the scenes' view and learn how ES operates the landfill and how recyclables collected in the blue barrel are sorted and marketed.

The first stop will be the ReCommunity recycling facility which opened in July 2012. The new facility takes all the recyclables from the blue barrel and sorts them, preparing them for shipping to manufacturers. At the Los Reales Landfill, participants see how ES handles household hazardous waste and hear how construction of the landfill cells protects groundwater. Those on the tour also will see landfill operations and learn how methane gas generated at the landfill is used as a renewable energy source.

Tour participants will meet in the upper level parking lot at 4004 S. Park Avenue on Thursday, October 31, 2013 at 8:30 a.m. The tour will be complete by 12 noon. Those who join the tour should wear long pants, closed-toe shoes, hats and sunscreen. Drinking water will be provided. The tour is not for children younger than age 14.

The tour is available on a first come basis. We promise no "tricks" but participants will get a "treat." To reserve a seat, call ES at 791-3175 by Friday, October 25, 2013.

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