



**TOGETHER,  
WE CAN MAKE SURE  
THAT COLLECTING TRASH  
DOESN'T RISK LIVES.**

### **We've all been there.**

Stuck behind a garbage truck while we're in a hurry to get to work or school. We sigh, we curse, we check the clock. We get frustrated by having to wait behind the truck, so we impatiently pull around it – endangering the life of a worker emptying a container or walking back to the truck.

**What if that worker was your husband, son, brother...or best friend?**



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### **How you can help.**

Just as you have learned to stop and wait for school buses, slow down in construction zones or move to the side of the road for emergency vehicles, NSWMA is working to educate drivers when approaching garbage trucks to prevent a collision with a collection employee or the truck.

- 1. Slow down** when approaching a garbage truck making its rounds. Stop if necessary to allow workers to do their jobs.
- 2. Look for workers** before attempting to pass the truck.
- 3. Check for traffic** approaching from the opposite direction before proceeding around the truck.
- 4. Avoid distractions** like eating, changing the radio station or talking on your cell phone when maneuvering near a garbage truck.



Visit [www.environmentalistseveryday.org](http://www.environmentalistseveryday.org) and watch the **Slow Down to Get Around** video.

### **The Slow Down to Get Around campaign**

NSWMA, McNeilus Companies and Rumpke of Ohio are providing this information to educate you and other motorists. For more information, visit [www.NSWMA.org](http://www.NSWMA.org) or contact David Biderman at 202-364-3743 or [davidb@NSWMA.org](mailto:davidb@NSWMA.org).