

# “Dirt Rich” Community Composting Program

## Drop Off Location:

Community composters are individuals, businesses, and families who share a passion for making and using compost to minimize waste and reduce our carbon footprint.

Projects or groups range in scale from individuals working within schools or families promoting home composting, to community supported agriculture schemes, to social enterprises with Local Authority contracts providing curbside collection services, with lots more variety in-between.

We can be leaders in the community by managing the organic waste we produce instead of filling landfills with a renewable resource: rich dirt!

## Community Composting has many environmental and social benefits:

- Reduction of waste going to landfill or incineration
- Training, possible employment, educational and volunteering opportunities
- Improve soil health and conservation and carbon sequestration
- Utilizing the proximity principle to convert 'waste' problem into a locally available resource

## Getting Started:

Keep a separate trash can, bucket, or suitable container for food scraps. (If you use a brown paper bag, you can toss the whole bag into the compost drop-off container).

### Yes:

Fruit and vegetable scraps  
Pasta, bread, cereal  
Coffee grounds, filters, & tea bags  
Paper towels and paper towel rolls  
Muffin wrappers  
Dairy products  
Meat (bones & trimmings)  
Plant material (grass, leaves, weeds)  
Wood chips  
Paper plates, bags  
Egg shells  
Household plants  
Shellfish, fish products

*\*Please add provided sawdust / shavings on top to control bugs / odor. Thank you!*

### No:

Plastic of any kind  
Styrofoam  
Metal of any kind, including foil  
Candles  
Corks  
Gum  
Cigarette butts  
Baby wipes, diapers  
Pet waste  
Dryer lint sheets  
Vacuum cleaner bags  
Hair, pet fur  
Dead animals  
Fireplace or BBQ ashes  
Glass  
Pet food

COMPOST:  
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