# Reasons to Compost at the Transfer Station

### GET FOOD WASTE OUT OF THE LANDFILL AND GIVE IT NEW LIFE AS COMPOST!



# **Environment Benefits**

Largest environmental benefit of any type of recycling. Compost can help aid reforestation, wetlands restoration, and habitat revitalization efforts by improving contaminated, compacted, and marginal soils.

# **Reduces Methane**

Municipal solid waste (MSW) landfills are the thirdlargest source of human-related methane emissions in the United States, accounting for approximately 14.5 percent of these emissions in 2020.





### Good for the Planet

Compost helps plants grow faster and remove more CO2 from air. Provide nutrients and prevent soil erosion: less chemical fertilizer and irrigation.

#### Land Use Benefit



Waste reduction is another benefit of compost, since compost is generally made from waste (food scraps, organic byproducts, etc) that is diverted from landfill flows. This reduces the amount of waste going to landfills and it upcycles those materials into a productive, environmentally beneficial product.



# **IT'S EASY!**

Get your FREE compost bin and liners in the Transfer Station office.

\*Annual Sticker or per Trip fee required.

#### **Do Compost**

Vegetable and Fruit Waste \* Paper Towels and Napkins \* Baked Goods \* Pasta \* Meat and Bone Scraps \* Coffee Grounds \* Pumpkin & Sunflower Seeds \* Corn Cobs & Husks \* Tea Bags \* Dairy Products \* Tofu & Soy Milk \* Egg Shells Fish \* Grains (rice, oats, barley, etc.) \* Grease Drippings \*

#### Don't Compost

Walnut Shells (may be toxic to some plants & animals) \* Diseased Plants \* Human or Pet Waste \* Kitty Litter \* Glass \* Plastic \* Metal (e.g. twist ties) \* Cardboard \* Styrofoam \* Rubber Bands \* Aluminum Foil

For a complete list scan the code or visit the Town website.

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