

COMPOST AT FCPA FARMERS MARKETS



Collect your food scraps at home and drop them off at any of the ten FCPA Farmers Markets.

Composting reduces trash, combats climate change, and builds nutrient rich soil.



BENEFITS OF COMPOSTING:

COMPOSTING REDUCES GREENHOUSE GASES

When food scraps are stuck in landfills with no oxygen to help decompose, they begin to slowly release methane, a potent greenhouse gas that contributes to climate change. Dropping off your food scraps helps to stop more greenhouse gases from entering the atmosphere.

COMPOSTING CREATES NUTRIENT RICH SOIL

When your food scraps decompose, they turn into nutrient rich soil. This soil can revitalize exhausted farm soils, reduce erosion and run-off, and lead to stronger plants and crops.



For information and directions, visit:

www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/farmersmarkets
or call 703-642-0128



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For Inclusion and ADA Support, call 703-324-8563. TTY Va. Relay 711

✓ YES COMPOST ✓

- NUTS
- BREADS, CEREALS, RICE, PASTA
- MEAT, SEAFOOD, BONES
- DAIRY
- SALAD
- VEGETABLES
- FLOWERS
- TEA BAGS, LOOSE TEA
- EGG SHELLS
- FRUIT
- COMPOSTABLE BAGS
- COFFEE GROUNDS
- COMPOSTABLE KITCHENWARE
- UNCOATED PAPER PLATES AND BAGS
- PAPER TOWELS, NAPKINS

Fairfax County's Farmers Markets accept meat, animal bones, and dairy items; however, these items are not recommended for your backyard compost bin or pile as they can attract animals.

✗ NO COMPOST ✗

- PLASTIC BAGS, WRAPPERS
- FOIL
- PLASTIC COATED CARDBOARD
- OIL OR GREASE
- STYROFOAM
- ANIMAL OR YARD WASTE

We do not accept yard clippings at the Farmers Markets. If you'd like to compost your yard waste, please drop it off at the I-95 Landfill Complex or the I-66 Transfer Station.