

# Composting in DC just got a lot easier



Two ways to drop  
off your food waste  
for composting

## 24/7 Smart Bins



- 24/7 Availability
- 30+ bins located citywide
- Unlock by metroKEY app or easy keycode

## Weekend Drop-off Event



- Accessible events
- Every weekend year-round
- Staffed events with team members to answer your questions



New Food Waste  
Smart Bin Locations



Weekend Food Waste  
Drop-off Events

To view all locations,  
visit [zerowaste.dc.gov/  
foodwastedropoff](https://zerowaste.dc.gov/foodwastedropoff)

## Why compost your food scraps?

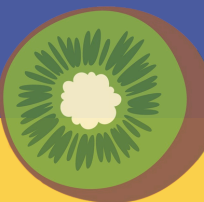
- Prevent rodent activity
- Reduce odors in trash cans
- Turn spoiled food into new soil
- Stop sending food scraps to landfills & incinerators



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## Accepted Materials



Fruit & veggie scraps, salad



Milk, cheese, eggs & dairy



Meat, seafood, bones & shells



Bread, grains, pasta & nuts



Cooked, spoiled & oily foods



Food-soiled paper & cut flowers

## Scrape your plate!

DPW's Food Waste Drop-Offs accept all food scraps, including meat, bones & dairy!

## HOW TO USE A FOOD WASTE DROP-OFF

1. Find something to store your food scraps in



2. Learn what is and is not accepted



3. Collect your food scraps at home

4. Drop off your food scraps for composting

Visit a 24/7 Food Waste Smart Bin or a staffed weekend drop-off event.

24/7 Smart Bin



Weekend Drop-off Event



Easy access to smart bins via the metroKEY mobile app



metroKEY

GET IT ON Google Play

Download on the App Store

## Questions?



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## Not Accepted



Plastic bags, straws, containers, utensils, twist ties & stickers



Metal, plastic, glass, recyclables & foil



Diapers, pet waste & other trash



Yard waste  
(Call 3-1-1 to schedule a free yard waste pickup)



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