

FOOD WASTE DROP-OFF PROGRAM

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DC DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

WASTE LESS
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Interested in composting your food waste?

District residents can now drop off food waste for **FREE** at designated farmers markets. Food waste will be turned into compost, a nutrient rich soil additive that helps grow new food and plants. *Come visit us at the market and ask our compost experts for more information!*

HOW CAN I PARTICIPATE?

1
Collect food scraps in a sealed container.

Optional: Store scraps in freezer to prevent odors and pests.



2
Drop off your food scraps at your designated farmers market.



3
Rinse the container and repeat!



PARTICIPATING FARMERS MARKETS

Columbia Heights Farmers Market
14th and Kenyon St NW
Year Round | Saturdays 9 am - 1 pm

*Uptown Farmers Market
14th and Kennedy St NW
April 20-Nov 23 | Saturdays 9 am - 1 pm

*University of District of Columbia
Farmers Market (in front of the law school)
4340 Connecticut Ave NW
May 4-Nov 23 | Saturdays 9 am - 1 pm

*Brookland Farmers Market
(Monroe St) 716 Monroe St NE
April 20-Dec 14 | Saturdays 9 am - 1 pm

Dupont Circle Farmers Market
1500 20th Street, NW
Year Round | Sundays 8:30 am - 1:30 pm

*Ward 7 Farmers Market
(Minnesota Ave) 3701 Hayes Street, NE
June 1-Nov 23 | Saturdays 9 am - 1 pm

*Glover Park Burleith Farmers Market
34th St and Wisconsin Ave
May 18-Nov 23 | Saturdays 9 am - 1 pm

*Ward 8 Farmers Market
3200 6th St SE
June 1-Sept 28 | Saturdays 10 am - 2 pm

Eastern Market
635 North Carolina Ave SE
Year Round | Saturdays 9 am - 1 pm

**These are seasonal markets. For the most up-to-date information on the market locations and times, please visit our website: zerowaste.dc.gov/foodwastedropoff*

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WHAT CAN I COMPOST?



ACCEPTED ITEMS



Fruit, Vegetables,
Crushed Egg Shells



Coffee Grounds,
Tea Bags



Nut Shells



Breads, Grains,
Cereals, Rice,
Pasta



Household Flowers



NOT ACCEPTED ITEMS



Meat, Bones,
Grease, Lard, Oils



Dairy
(Milk, Cheese, Yogurt)



Plastic Bags,
Wraps or Film



Foam Polystyrene



Recyclables
(Plastic, Metal, Glass, Foil)

Remove all stickers and tags - If possible chop items into smaller pieces.
This will help speed up the decomposition process.

The District is committed to achieving zero waste through waste diversion and reduction.
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