

ORGANICS COMPOSTING

Carlsbad businesses will start composting food scraps, yard clippings and other “organic” materials in the green compost cart starting July 1, 2022.

What is organic waste?



Food scraps such as fruits, vegetables, seafood, meat, bones, dairy products, eggshells, coffee grounds, leftovers and spoiled food



Food-soiled paper such as napkins, paper towels, tea bags, paper plates, coffee filters and pizza boxes



Green waste such as lawn clippings, leaves, small branches, sawdust and untreated wood

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Why it's important?

Californians throw away nearly 6 million tons of food waste each year. Organic waste makes up nearly half of everything currently sent to landfills. Organic waste in landfills contributes to 20% of the methane generated in California.

Laws and regulations

The City of Carlsbad is required to provide organic waste collection as part of California Senate Bill 1383, which establishes methane emissions reduction targets for California including a target to reduce 75% of organic waste disposal by 2025.

How it works

Organic waste collected by Republic Services will be composted at their Otay compost facility to create a nutrient rich soil additive and mulch for public, private and city use.

The City of Carlsbad is here to help.

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Collect Food Scraps

