Why participate?

- **Save money** on your trash bill. Separating food scraps removes the heaviest material from your dumpster(s);
- **Convenience.** Composting made easy. No need to roll up your sleeves. Let us do most of the work for you;
- **Clean.** Our closed containers and regular pickups remove odors, flies and pests that come with trash;
- **Gratifying and rewarding.** Work becomes more meaningful for you and your employees;
- **Enrich** the island food system. Food scraps provide nitrogen, a key ingredient for a good compost, which in turn is used to grow local food;
- **Healthy environment.** Food scraps are harmful when thrown in with the garbage. The island’s commercial waste ends up at a landfill where food waste decomposes without oxygen and produces harmful methane, a leading greenhouse gas much more potent than carbon dioxide.

How it works:

- We provide you with training, the toter size and quantity of your choice, and a sign for display of accepted foods for the compost;
- Post the sign in your kitchen for your staff and have them put all food scraps and accepted materials in the toters;
- Our food scrap collection truck will come 1-5 times a week (depending on the season) to pick up the toters and leave clean ones;
- Your food waste will be delivered to a composting facility on Island farms. Hooray! Food waste is saved from the trash and turned into a valuable resource for gardeners and farmers;
- You will get a monthly report on how many pounds of food scraps you diverted from the waste stream.
**Costs:**
We will work with you to select the option that best suits your business’s food waste needs. Year-round businesses can change their option seasonally. The goal is to divert as much food waste and organic materials from the landfill as possible.

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**What goes in?**
- All pre- and post-consumer food scraps: fruits, vegetables, peels, meat (including bones), dairy, coffee grounds and filters, tea bags, egg shells, seafood, grains and pastas
- Paper products: compostable but non-recyclable wax papers, paper towels, paper napkins

**What stays out?**
- Fat, oil, grease
- All plastics, aluminum, glass and other trash such as plates, batteries, and cheese cloth

*Hosting an event? Want compost pickup in your community? Call us to arrange pickup services!*

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