



Food Scrap Composting Program

The Village of Lake in the Hills and Flood Bros Disposal Co. have partnered with the goal of



decreasing the amount of organic refuse sent to landfills. Together we are offering a voluntary food scrap composting program to residents throughout the Village. Residents who enroll in this program will have the ability to mix food scraps with yard waste by placing food scraps at the curb in a rigid and lidded container – with a capacity not exceeding 33-gallons, or in a rented Flood Brothers 95-gallon yard waste cart (arranged directly

through Flood Brothers for an extra \$2.25/month).

Who Can Participate: The program is available to all single-family residences at no additional cost (unless you choose to rent a Flood Brothers yard waste cart). The program will coincide with the yard waste seasonal collection program (April 1st – November 30th) and curbside collection will occur on a weekly basis on your normal scheduled collection day. We ask that you please return the signup form below to register for the program. Please be sure to include your email address for monthly program updates, education seminars and event information.

How to Participate: We require all residents to be signed up in the program prior to participating. If you wish to participate, please fill-out this form and email your completed form to flood.michaelj@floodbrothersdisposal.com or mail it to 17W609 14th Street, Oakbrook Terrace, IL 60181.

YES! I want to participate in the Food Scrap Composting Program

WE will rent a Flood Bros Yard Waste Cart (\$2.25/month rental fee) _____
or

WE will use our own approved container (no additional cost to participate) _____

Homeowner: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Compost: Questions & Answers

What is Composting?

Composting occurs when organic materials decompose. Under this program, your yard waste and food scraps are taken to a compost facility where they are processed into compost and mulches. The compost and mulches are then used to fertilize soils and protect soils from erosion.

Additionally, since yard waste and food scraps are high emitters of methane, a gas more potent than carbon dioxide, composting these materials (as opposed to placing these materials in landfills) reduces air pollution and greenhouse gas emissions.

Composting Facts

- Globally, 4 Billion Tons of food is wasted per year.
- 40% of food in the United States goes uneaten every year, estimated 35 million tons.
- 20 pounds of food waste per person per month is wasted.

Food Scrap Cart Care Tips

You may want to place yard trimmings, newspaper or pizza box at the bottom and layer your food scraps with yard trimmings inside the cart. Also, food scraps can be wrapped in paper towels, old newspapers or paper bags for a cleaner cart and you can rinse your cart with a garden hose when necessary and/or sprinkle in baking soda as needed.

COMPOSTABLES ONLY

♻️ ACCEPTABLE ITEMS	🚫 UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS
FOOD SCRAPS <ul style="list-style-type: none">♻️ Fruit and vegetable scraps♻️ Meat, poultry and fish scraps (including bones)♻️ Cheese and dairy scraps♻️ All solid food leftovers♻️ Bread, pasta and grains♻️ Eggshells and nutshells♻️ Coffee grounds and filters♻️ Tea Bags Food-Soiled Paper <ul style="list-style-type: none">♻️ Paper towels and napkins♻️ Paper food wrap♻️ Greasy pizza boxes♻️ Food-soiled Cardboard (remove plastic or aluminum)♻️ Paper grocery bags containing food scraps♻️ Uncoated paper plates and cups Yard Waste <ul style="list-style-type: none">♻️ Leaves, grass, and weeds♻️ Plant Trimmings♻️ Branches♻️ House plants / Flower bouquets (discard plastic container)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">🚫 Animal waste or pet litter🚫 Ashes🚫 Diapers, bath tissue🚫 Constructoin debris🚫 Foil🚫 Glass🚫 Garbage🚫 Ice cream cartons🚫 Liquids🚫 Metals🚫 Milk cartons🚫 Plastics or plastic bags🚫 Plastic-coated paper plates or cups🚫 Styrofoam🚫 Rocks <p><small>Please Note: Some of the items in the unacceptable column may be placed in your recycling bin for collection with your recyclables. Please review your recycling guidelines for additional information.</small></p>

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Recycle Green Waste



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