

Lawrence Township Eco-Waste Collection Program



Lawrence Township is embarking on a new recycling program that allows residents, on an optional basis, the opportunity to compost their organic waste. Removing organic materials from the waste stream will reduce the amount of trash that is taken to the landfill. According to the EPA, food scraps and yard waste make up 20-30% of the waste stream. Making compost keeps these materials out of landfills, where they take up precious space and release methane, a greenhouse gas 21 times more potent than carbon dioxide emissions in the atmosphere.

Our contractor needs 300 households to join the program before collection begins. Materials are transported to Wilmington, Delaware for composting. Collection or billing will not commence until 300 voluntary residents have signed up for the program.

Cost: \$17.00 per month (billed quarterly from Central Jersey Waste)
The cost includes the delivery of a 32-gallon recycle cart

What goes in the Green Organic Cart: Raw food, scraps, cooked food, meat, bones, paper towels, pizza boxes, fruit and vegetable peels, litter box material, coffee grounds, tea bags, fish, egg shells, egg cartons (non-Styrofoam), waxed cardboard, oils, fats, butters, brown paper bags, paper take-out containers, newspapers, office paper, fruits and nuts, breads, pasta, grains, liquids and sauces, houseplants and flower bouquets, and dairy products.

Lawrence Township will be maintaining a list of interested residents.

Please e-mail jbrokofsky@lawrencetwp.com if you are interested. Please include your name, address, e-mail, and telephone number.

Also, please mention in your e-mail or telephone call if we can have a volunteer contact you with additional information as we strive to reach three hundred residents.

You can also contact the Public Works Department (609) 587-1894 for additional information.