



Announcing Expanded Food Scrap Compost Collections Effective March 18, 2016.



It's easy! Collect acceptable food scraps into a small household container and empty as necessary into your 95 gallon compost cart. Place curbside on Fridays, March 18 through December 16th.

Residents are encouraged to utilize their own internal container for home use (i.e. coffee can or countertop composting container).

Organic food scrap material may now be placed directly into the 95 gallon compost cart along with yard waste (NO plastic, biodegradable or compostable bags).

Yard waste carts contaminated with unacceptable materials will not be collected.



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Important Notice: New Food Scrap Compost Program



Food Scrap Compost Program



Groot Industries, in partnership with the Village of Barrington, is proud to announce a new food scrap compost program effective March 18, 2016 through December 16, 2016.

Barrington residents will be permitted to place approved food scrap materials inside their 95 gallon compost cart. Collection will continue to occur on Fridays with regular recycling and refuse pickup.

What Can Be Composted?



YES

- Fruits
- Vegetables
- Breads, grains
- Pasta, cereal
- Dairy (no liquids) - Cottage Cheese, Sour Cream, Yogurt, Butter
- Eggshells
- Coffee grounds and tea leaves

NO

- Teabags & coffee filters
- Meat, poultry or seafood (no shells or bones)
- Paper products (paper towels, plates, napkins, egg cartons, pizza boxes)
- Glass, Plastics or Styrofoam
- Diapers, Pet Litter or Waste
- Liquids, Grease or Oil

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE VISIT:

www.groot.com

www.SWANCC.org

www.barrington-il.gov

Recycling Program

SINGLE-SORT RECYCLE PROGRAM

Unlimited recyclable materials are collected on your primary day of service. Materials do not need to be separated and are separated at Groot's automatic recycling plant.

PREPARATION OF MATERIALS:

- Non-paper materials and paper materials may be commingled (mixed together) in the recycling carts.
- **Carts must be kept 10 feet from parkway trees, mail boxes and 4 feet from other carts.**
- Flatten all corrugated cardboard boxes and paperboard/chipboard in 2'x2' sections, and remove any non-paper packing material.
- Materials that exceed cart capacity may be placed in paper bags and placed beside the cart.
- Contact Groot to replace a damaged or lost cart.
- **Do not place recyclable materials in plastic bags nor use plastic or silver duct tape.**
- Empty and rinse containers before recycling.

Please place only approved items in the recycling cart: The collector is trained to check the contents of the cart. If there are foreign materials present, the cart will be left with a violation notice.



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PAPER	PLASTIC
 All Paper	 All Bottles
 All Cardboard All Cartons	 All Containers
 Chipboard	 All Jugs Large Plastic Items
NO  Paper Towels, Tissues, Diapers	NO  Bags, Sheets, Styrofoam, Hoses
METAL	GLASS
 Aluminum, Steel, Tin Cans, Aerosol Cans	 All Jars
 Pots and Pans	 All Bottles
 Aluminum Foil, Pans, Trays	 All Bottles
NO  Cords, Auto Parts, Electronics	NO  Mirrors, Windows, Dishware

New Electronic Waste Pick-up Program

Many electronic items are prohibited from being disposed of in Illinois landfills.

Groot will collect unlimited electronic waste at the curb at no additional charge. Residents must call Groot at 800-244-1977 to schedule a pick up 24 hours in advance.

E-Waste Materials Are Defined By Illinois Law As Follows:

- Computers & Monitors
- Video Game Consoles
- Electronic Mice
- Printers
- Scanners
- Televisions
- Converter Boxes
- Electronic Keyboards
- Cable Receivers
- Fax Machines
- Small Scale Servers
- Satellite Receivers
- VCRs
- DVD Players
- DVR Recorders



Food Scrap Composting FAQs

Why compost? Composting keeps food waste out of landfills, where it takes up space, produces methane and often cannot decompose due to anaerobic conditions. Composted food breaks down quickly and produces healthy soil.

Why can't we have food scrap collection year round? Currently the most cost-effective method of collection is to mix food scraps with yard waste, which is currently collected March-December. The Village's goal is to eventually have year-round collection.

Does food scrap cost us money to collect? While the cost to process food scrap with yard waste may increase, the cost to collect does not. There is no additional cost to Barrington residents.

Why can't we compost meat and paper products? These materials are not currently accepted at our designated compost facilities. As more facilities are permitted to open we anticipate the inclusion of a wider range of items.

Will the food scraps smell? Weekly collection of food scraps combined with yard waste will minimize odors. Residents are encouraged to rinse out the 95 gallon carts weekly to help keep the cart as clean as possible. Refrigerating or freezing food scrap material will decrease house odors.

May we use separate containers for Groot collection? No, food scraps must be placed ONLY in your designated 95 gallon compost cart for Friday collection.

Are there food scrap containers available for Barrington residents? No, residents are encouraged to use their own personal containers that best suits their kitchen area. While small containers are available at local retailers for purchase, a coffee can often works well for internal daily use.



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