Welcome to

FourRivers Composters!

Dedicated to helping individual households in the community compost their household vegetable waste. A small, locally-owned business, we pick up it up and compost it properly for you, alleviating you of the hassle while giving you the eco-satisfaction.

WHY?

Personally, I like making compost, working with organic material and soil organisms. In our community, many households *want* to compost but may lack the infrastructure, knowledge, and/or time besides not wanting the hassle. Ecologically, reusing this waste for improving soil is a better solution that letting it rote in our landfills. In landfills, anaerobically decomposing vegetable matter produces methane. In some large landfills, the methane can be harvested to produce energy but locally this method is not employed so the methane slowly seeps into the atmosphere where it is a selective absorber of solar radiation, i.e. a greenhouse gas. <u>Similar programs</u> serve other cities and towns around the nation.

WHERE? WHEN? HOW?

Pickup weekly on Fridays, the waste is taken to the back of our residence on the outskirts of Ontario where I process it in very basic shredding and 'lasagna-stacking' method together annually collected leaves or other yard waste. Several turns later, the pile is complete compost (about 10-20 weeks).

Deal 1: \$5/week or \$18/month

- 3- or 5-gallon container provided, picked up weekly and replaced clean
- i.e, we transport, clean and compost

Deal 2 \$3/week or \$10/month

- 3- or 5-gallon container provided, you drop off weekly and pick up your clean container
- i.e, you transport, we clean and compost

Additional Charges

additional pickups, higher volume, or multiple missed pick-ups

Discounts

- · trade and barter welcome
- 10% discount for annual contract
- 5% discount educators

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Payments accepted through Paypay (preferred), cash, or check (monthly only). Profits generated are used, in general, to improve efficiency.

We do not sell compost. This service is designed for personal satisfaction by reducing mismanaged waste, but you will not get compost back as that requires a level of permitting and a volume that we do not intend to pursue. However, we intend to use the compost in community enrichment projects (free).

Under Oregon state law OAR 340-096-0080, Chapter 340, Division 96, 'Special Rules pertaining to Composting we can collect up to 100 tons per year before we are considered an industrial facility.

What is safe to place in your bucket?



