

# Kingston Organics Waste Collection Pilot 2023

The Kingston Recycling Committee has contracted with Black Earth for a 6-month pilot to separate organics from the trash at the Recycling and Disposal Center (RDC).

All residents with stickers may participate in this free pilot. Free home collection buckets with lids will be available at the Highway Barn and at various events around town.

Participants will collect the organic material listed below in their home collection bucket and bring it to the collection totes at the RDC. The collection totes will be emptied weekly. Black Earth will compost this material so it is not going to SEMASS to be incinerated.

If you are composting at home, you will find there are additional items that can be composted through this program.

Questions may be directed to the Recycling Committee at [jln12@comcast.net](mailto:jln12@comcast.net).

## Food Waste

- COFFEE GROUNDS & FILTERS
- BPI, CMA, OK Compost CERTIFIED COFFEE PODS\*
- NONSYNTHETIC TEA BAGS (okay to incl. staple)
- EGGS & EGG SHELLS
- MEAT & SEAFOOD (incl. bones, shells, & raw)
- LOBSTER SHELLS (makes the compost rich)
- FRUITS & VEGGIES (incl. stems, skins, pits, seeds, corn cobs, fruit from trees) (stickers removed)
- DAIRY (cheese, yogurt, etc.) (make sure to put containers in the proper plastics recycling bin)
- PASTA, GRAINS & BREAD
- COOKIES, CAKE & CANDY
- NUT & COCONUT SHELLS
- COOKING OIL & GREASE (Liquid goes in a non glass container. Leave on top of the bin to be poured out by driver. Solid fat place directly in the bin.)

## Household Items

- WOOD (toothpicks, popsicle sticks, chopsticks, sawdust, small wood fruit containers)
- STOVE, GRILL & FIREPLACE ASH (please tie off bag)
- COTTON BALLS (no bodily fluids)
- WINE CORKS (cork, not plastic!)
- PET FOOD
- PET WASTE FROM RABBIT, CHICKEN, GUINEA PIG, HAMSTER & BIRD (incl. bedding) (no dog or cat)
- HAIR, FUR (human & animal)
- HOUSE PLANTS & FLOWERS

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### **Food Soiled Paper & Compostables**

Clean paper and cardboard are better recycled. We take the following items that are food soiled, but not chemical or cleaner soiled.

- NAPKINS & PAPER TOWELS (incl. bleached) (used on food or w/ organic certified household cleaner)
- COMPOSTABLE TABLEWARE: CUPS, PLATES, UTENSILS, ETC. (MUST be certified compostable\*)
- TISSUES (no bodily fluids incl. nasal mucus)
- NEWSPAPER for wrapping food (recycle otherwise)
- CARDBOARD BOXES (for lining bin, please recycle otherwise, tape & labels removed)