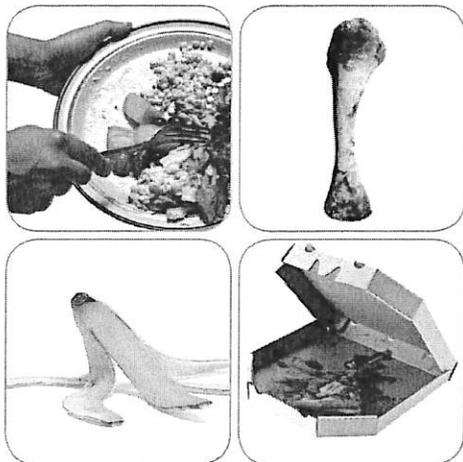


FOOD SCRAP management

Available to all
Dubuque residents
and businesses!



City of Dubuque curbside collection customers can include food scraps and acceptable compostables in their yard debris cans and bags for composting. This value-added service allows City customers to include these items at little or no additional cost in their current yard debris containers. These additional materials will be made into compost, and at the same time reduce greenhouse gas pollution.



The City is contracted with Full Circle Organics, LLC, a composting facility near Epworth, to manage up to 39 tons of food residuals per day!

HOW? *It's easy!*



1. Place food scraps in a compostable kitchen bag (available for purchase at local retailers, **identified by the logo to the left**), wrapped in paper, or placed loose with your yard debris.
2. Set food scraps out for curbside collection in a rigid yard debris can with an annual decal or single-use sticker, or in a paper yard debris bag with a single-use sticker.
3. Set out containers by 6 a.m. on your regular collection day from April to November. Winter collections are available by subscription or scheduled with called-in appointments.



Less being wasted!

WHAT'S ALLOWED?

Food Scraps & Compostables

- Plate scrapings
- Fruits & vegetables
- Coffee grounds/filters
- Shells & bones
- Pasta & rice
- Eggs, nutshells
- Baked goods/grains
- Meat, fish, & dairy
- Gravy & sauces
- Cakes, cookies, & candy
- Tea bags
- Grease & fats
- Hair & pet fur
- Uncoated food-soiled paper
- Greasy pizza boxes
- Paper bags, paper towels, & napkins
- Waxed paper/cardboard

NOT Allowed

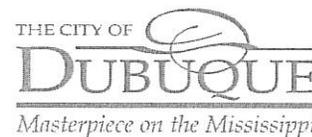
- Plastic
- Diapers
- Glass
- Animal waste
- Wood ashes
- Metal
- Hazardous waste
- Vacuum bags/dust
- Cigarette butts

Additional Options:

Don't buy more food than you'll use and donate extra, usable food to others in need.

Using your garbage disposal is also beneficial management of food scraps. Avoid meat, fat, and grea:

Would you like to give
backyard composting a try?
For tips and information, visit
www.compostingcouncil.org.



563.589.4250
www.cityofdubuque.org/foodscraps

How are your food scraps "recycled?"

your food scraps



co-collection



processing



the end result!



Did you know?
97% of the weight disposed from restaurants is compostable!

25-40% of food grown each year in the U.S. is currently wasted.

WHY COMPOST?

It's green!

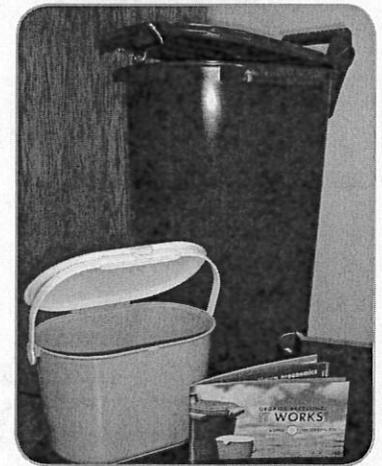
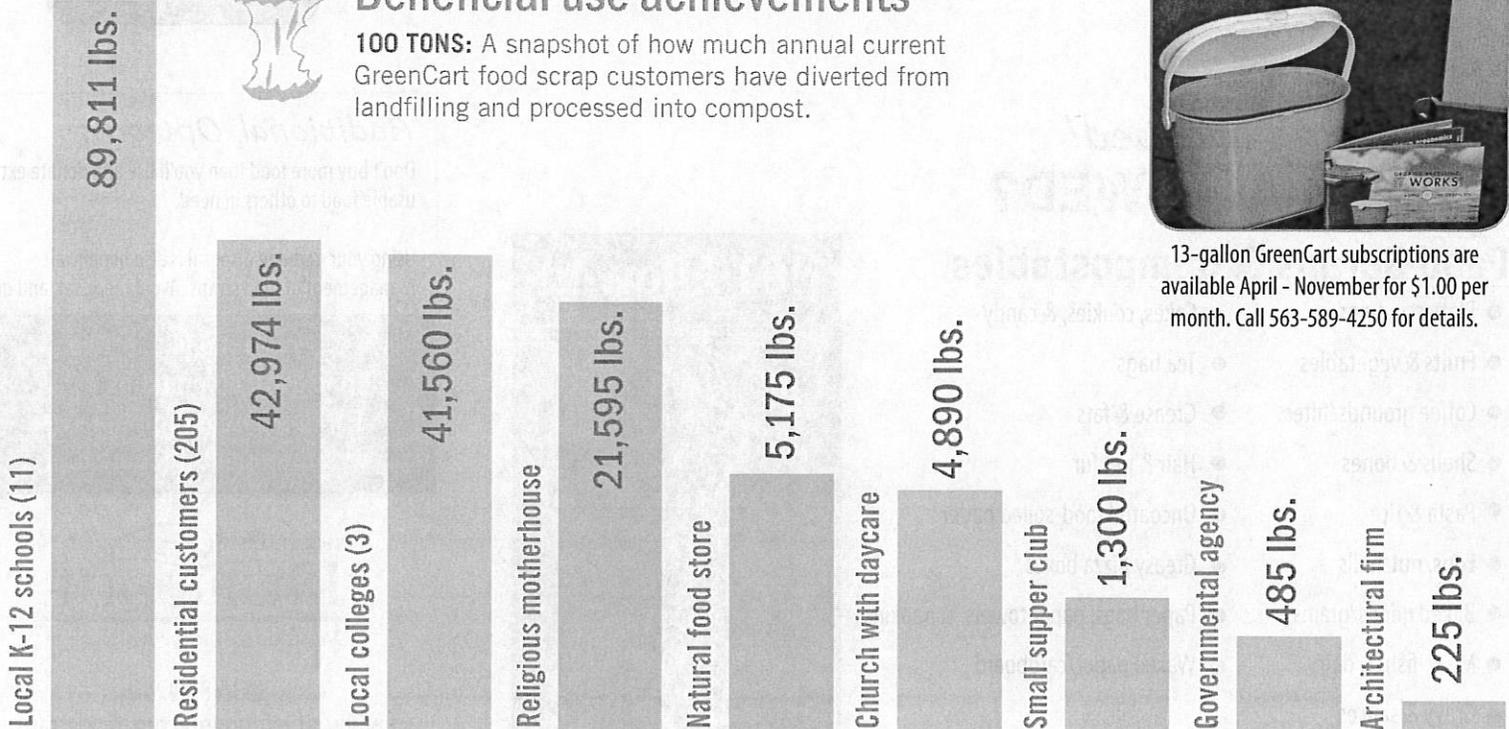
You're helping Dubuque reach our sustainability goals by:

- Conserving natural resources, improving soils, screening stormwater, and reducing erosion
- Greatly reducing pollution (methane from landfilled food scraps is a powerful greenhouse gas)
- Reducing your carbon footprint
- Creating "green jobs" for local economic development

Beneficial use achievements



100 TONS: A snapshot of how much annual current GreenCart food scrap customers have diverted from landfilling and processed into compost.



13-gallon GreenCart subscriptions are available April - November for \$1.00 per month. Call 563-589-4250 for details.