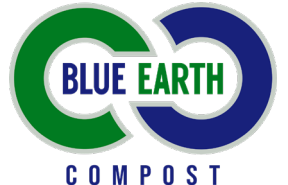


# Ledyard Food Scrap Recycling Guide



A free food scrap recycling program for  
Ledyard Residents

Brought to you by the  
Town of Ledyard and Blue  
Earth Compost



Starting July 30th, 2024

## COMPOST



MEAT & BONES



SHELLFISH & FISH PRODUCTS



EGG SHELLS & DAIRY



FRUITS & VEGETABLE SCRAPS



BREADS & CEREALS



COFFEE GROUND, FILTERS, & TEA BAGS

### OTHER THINGS TO COMPOST:

CONDIMENTS & SPICES | PITS & PEELS  
FOOD SOILED PAPER | UNCOATED PAPER PLATES  
PAPER TOWELS | PLANTS & HERBS | INCIDENTAL OILS & FATS



## DON'T COMPOST



CORKS



PLASTIC



CANDLES



METAL / ALUMINUM FOIL



STYROFOAM



GLASS OF ANY KIND



GUM

### OTHER THINGS TO NOT COMPOST:

TWIST TIES | RUBBER BANDS | DISPOSABLE MOPS / CLEANING SHEETS  
FIREPLACE OR BARBECUE ASHES | HOT LIQUIDS | PLASTIC GLOVES  
ENGUSH MUFFIN CARTONS | WAXY CARDBOARD | MILK CARTONS  
CLEAN PIZZA BOXES (RECYCLE) | COFFEE PODS



HAVE QUESTIONS?  
CONTACT US: (860) 266-7346  
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## Why is Ledyard removing food scraps from municipal waste?

Food scraps make up about 22% of trash. By sending these valuable materials to compost, rather than incineration we can improve our air, soil and water.

**Food Scraps are NOT Trash.** Food can be converted into compost. Compost improves soil quality for plant growth, reduces the need for chemical fertilizers, helps to retain water in the soil and reduces soil erosion. Putting food scraps into an incinerator creates carbon dioxide and other pollutants. By separating your food scraps from the trash Ledyard is able to bring this valuable material to Quantum BioPower, an anaerobic digester in Southington, CT. This facility is able to use the food scraps to create renewable energy while also making compost.

**You can help!** The more Ledyard residents that participate in this program, the more pounds we will remove from the municipal waste stream. We hope to see this program grow with more and more bins being filled.

**All Ledyard residents are able to participate with proof of residency.**

**THANK YOU for participating in Ledyard's Food Scrap Composting Program!**

**For more information visit:**

<https://www.ledyardct.org/191/Transfer-Station>

or call (860) 464-9060, ext 4

## IT'S SO EASY!

1. **Collect** your food scraps in a BPI Certified compostable bag or a container of your choosing. If using a bag, when full, close off the bag by tying a knot at the open end. Please don't use twist ties or rubber bands.
2. **Bring** your food scraps to the Transfer Station at 889 Colonel Ledyard Highway and dump them into the larger bins supplied by Blue Earth Compost. It's important to completely fill one bin before moving on to the next.
3. **Repeat!** You can go to the Transfer Station at any point during operating hours. They are:
  - Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday - 9AM - 3:30PM

All food scraps will be picked up by Blue Earth Compost and composted at an anaerobic digestion facility in Southington, CT. They'll be turned into nutrient rich soil and renewable energy!

**Starter kits are available for the first 100 residents to sign up and can be claimed by visiting the Transfer Station.**

**The starter kits include:**

- 6 gallon transport bin &
- 1 roll of 25 compostable bags for the counter top bin

You can use any bins that you like, but these are available. PLEASE NO PLASTIC BAGS. ONLY BPI CERTIFIED COMPOSTABLE (NOT BIODEGRADABLE) BAGS ARE ALLOWED.