

A photograph of a wooden pallet compost bin in a garden next to a brick building. The bin is constructed from horizontal wooden pallet slats and sits on a bed of wood chips. To the right of the bin is a large green plant. The background is a brick wall with windows. The entire image has a blue tint.

WELCOME TO ON SITE MULTI-FAMILY COMPOSTING

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GREEN ACTION CENTRE: ABOUT US



Green Action Centre is a non-profit, non-governmental organization, based in Winnipeg and serving Manitoba. We are a registered charity, governed by an elected community board. We promote greener living through environmental education and encourage practical green solutions for homeowners, workplaces, schools and communities.

OUR PROGRAMS

Green Action Centre has tons of information to help Manitobans make greener choices.



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COMPOSTING



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OPTIONS

ON SITE MULTI-FAMILY COMPOSTING PROJECT

Goals of the Project

- Reduce waste being sent to Winnipeg's landfill
- Educate about the benefits of composting and foster greater engagement in waste reduction
- Improve soil quality while connecting residents with the decomposition process and the cycle of food
- Create a greater sense of community and belonging within the buildings

ARE YOU ELIGIBLE?



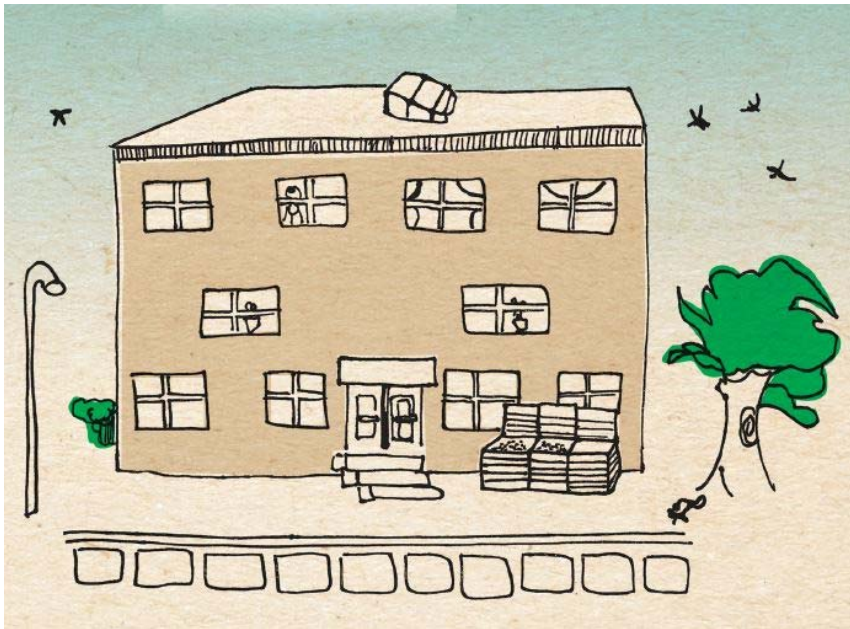
- In Winnipeg
- 4+ units
- 2+ volunteers
- Resident interest
- Manager/Owner support

HOW TO CONVINCE YOUR BUILDING TO JOIN



- No cost to building upfront
 - Only later cost may be maintenance
- “Green” cred
- Volunteers take care of the tasks
- Well-managed bins have few problems
- Helps the environment
- Can save garbage pickup \$\$

RESOURCES WE PROVIDE



- compost bins
- a compost aerator
- a backyard composting presentation
- fridge magnets
- how-to booklet
- ongoing support
- Kitchen catchers
- Stickers for kitchen catchers
- Poster for in building common areas
- Individual unit flyers explaining what can and can't be added

THIS BUILDING PARTICIPATES IN



ON SITE Multi-Family Composting

That means you can compost your food scraps in a compost bin right on the property. **Each unit that participates can reduce their waste by up to 40%!**



Good for Compost

Fruit & vegetable scraps (even cooked!), coffee grounds, tea bags, eggshells, plain rice, pasta, bread, plants (chopped small)



Bad for Compost

Meat, dairy, fish, oils, sauces, plastic, metal, pet waste, compostable plastics, plastic bags

Join your neighbours, start composting today.

It's as easy as 1-2-3!

- 1 Collect kitchen scraps. An ice cream bucket works well, or purchase from your local hardware store or garden centre.
- 2 Bring it to the outdoor bins and dump at least once a week.
- 3 Follow the easy instructions on the outdoor sign. Let nature do the rest!

Your building's bins are located:

Your volunteer bin managers are:

Questions? Call or email our InfoLine!

✉ compost@greenactioncentre.ca ☎ 204-925-3777

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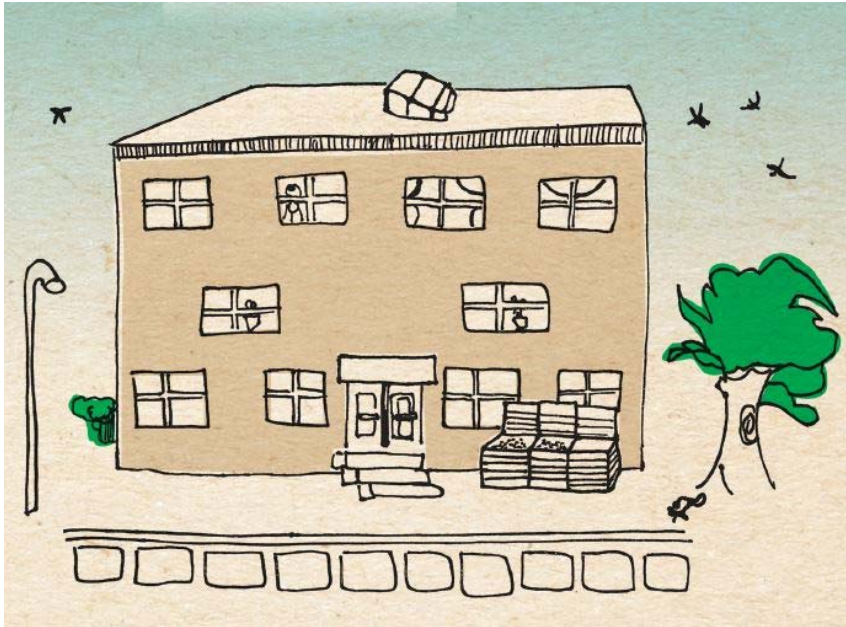


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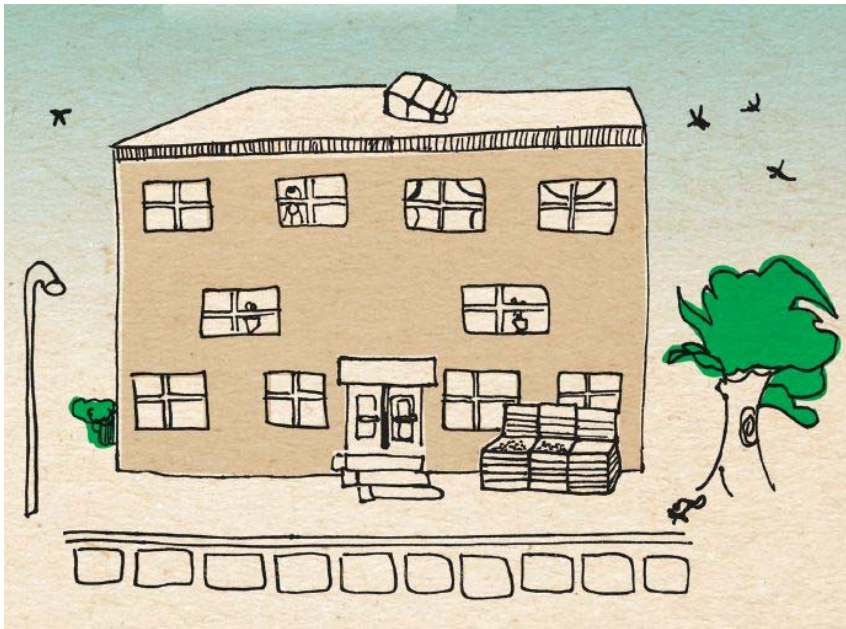


HOW TO COMPOST IN YOUR CONDO



- Collect your greens in a kitchen catcher bucket
- Figure out who will take your scraps to the outdoor bin
- Add scraps to bin that says “add” (approx. 1x/week)
- Rinse bucket (if desired)

PRELIMINARY RESULTS



- 11 Buildings in 3 years
- Reached 905 people
- Only one dropout
- 4-120 units in size
- Many expanding
- Condos, life lease, and apartments
- Estimated 4,420 L food waste diverted/building/year (avg)
- Avoided more than 25 tonnes of CO₂e emissions



ON SITE

Multi-Family Composting



Add Greens

Vegetables
Fruit
Coffee grounds
Tea bags

Eggshells
Plain rice/
pasta/bread
Plants



Store Browns

Dry autumn leaves
Straw
Twigs
Shredded paper

Sawdust/wood
chips (untreated)
Napkins/
paper towel



Do Not Add

Dairy products
Meat
Bones
Pet waste

Diseased plants
Weeds
Compostable
plastics
Plastic bags

Help out!

Add leaves on top of your food
scraps (see browns bin)

Chop up the big stuff
and long stems

Take out any plastic
or plastic bags

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Multi-Family Composting

1 Add Greens	2 Store Browns	3 Do Not Add
Grass clippings Household food scraps Vegetable scraps Coffee grounds Tea bags	Shredded paper Dry leaves Straw Wood chips Shredded cardboard	Auto parts Oil Flammable liquids Refrigerators Stoves Refrigerators Refrigerators

Helpful stuff: Composting is a natural process that breaks down organic materials into a rich, dark brown soil. This soil can be used to grow plants and flowers. Composting helps reduce the amount of waste that goes to the landfill and helps reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

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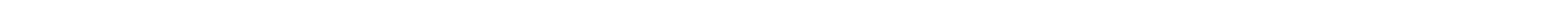
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