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CITY OF CINCINNATI –YARD WASTE DISPOSAL

Let Earth Day serve as a reminder that by separating yard waste from regular garbage, citizens are making a positive impact on our environment. City of Cincinnati residents are encouraged to participate in this program which is provided by the City of Cincinnati

Program Details

- City Crews collect properly prepared yard waste for composting, separate from regular residential garbage.
- Residents should set out properly prepared yard waste on the same day as their regularly scheduled garbage collection.
- Yard waste should be placed in biodegradable brown paper yard waste bags or cans clearly marked “Yard Waste” or 90 gallon totes.
- Yard waste stickers are not required. Registration for this service is not necessary.
- Yard waste in plastic bags cannot be collected or received at composting facilities. Yard waste in plastic bags will not be collected.
- Branches and brush should be tied (with cloth rope-not plastic cord) into bundles no larger than 4’x2’. Individual tree limbs should be no larger than 6” in diameter.
- All types of yard waste are accepted, including: grass clippings, leaves, branches and brush.

Why Separate Yard Waste from Garbage

- Yard Waste is relatively clean and biodegradable, disposal in landfills may be unnecessary and wastes space.
- As yard waste decomposes in landfills, it generates methane gas and acidic leachate. Methane is a colorless, explosive gas that is released as bacteria decompose organic materials in landfills.
- If methane is not controlled at a landfill, it can seep underground and into nearby buildings, where it has the potential to explode.
- Yard waste also contributes acidity that can make other waste constituents more mobile and therefore more toxic.

Other Eco-Friendly Alternatives

- Please compost yard waste at home whenever possible.
- Grass clippings can be left on the lawn instead of bagged.
- Yard Waste Drop-off sites - Citizens are encouraged to use yard waste drop off sites to minimize the amount of yard waste that is sent to solid waste landfills.

Four sites are located across Hamilton County:

East: Bzak Landscaping – 3295 Turpin Lane (off Rt. 32), Anderson Township.

West: Kuliga Park – 6717 Bridgetown Road, Green Township

North: Rumpke Landfill – Struble Road and Colerain Avenue, Colerain Township

Central: West Fork Solid Waste Facility (Cincinnati Residents Only) – 3320 Mill Creek Road, Cincinnati, OH 45225. Only for Cincinnati residents, this location is accessible off of Spring Grove Avenue and off Beekman Street.

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