



City of Redmond Food + Compostables Apartment and Condominium Frequently Asked Questions

The City of Redmond offers Food+ Compostables collection for Apartment and Condominium properties. Here are some frequently asked questions about the program.

What is the Redmond Apartment & Condominium Food+ Compostables Program?

Single family residents and businesses have been food recycling in Redmond for over ten years. In 2010, the City opened the program to apartments and condominiums. Residents can place food scraps from their homes in outdoor food scrap carts (similar to garbage and recycling cart styles.) Carts are emptied weekly and material is transported to a local compost facility to be turned into soil for gardens and landscaping.

How much does this program cost?

There is no additional cost to participate in this program. This service is offered as part of your garbage and recycling service.

What is accepted in this program?

All food scraps and food soiled paper are accepted. Refer to the back of this sheet for details.

What materials are provided by the City to help us get started?

The City provides outdoor collection carts through Waste Management. These are lined with biodegradable liners made from corn, each time they are emptied. The City provides residents with small indoor collection containers (with a handle) and a poster/brochure with instructions and a listing of all the materials that are acceptable for this program. We also offer free presentations for board meetings or residents.

How do residents participate?

Property Managers need to complete an application from the City. Request one from foodplus@redmond.gov or call 425-556-2897. Once approved, participation for residents is easy!

1. Residents place food scraps into a tan kitchen food scrap container (provided by the City.)

2. Residents empty kitchen containers into the food recycling carts outside.

3. Weekly a Waste Management truck will empty your cart and transport materials to Cedar Grove Composting.

4. Food scraps will be turned into compost within eight weeks at the Cedar Grove Composting facility.



How clean is this program?

This program is approved by the King County Health Department and is very clean. Materials are picked up weekly, and carts are lined with a new biodegradable liner. Carts stay clean.

Why should we participate?

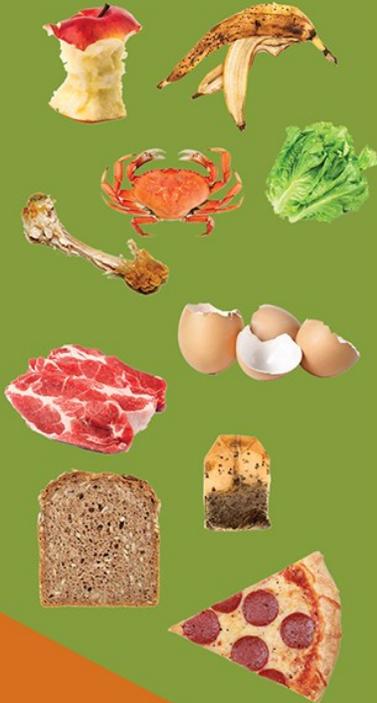
Food composting is great for the environment and can help save money in garbage costs. Turning food into soil instead of placing it in our local landfill (where it does not really break down), helps to make a new product from something usually wasted. Composting is better than using garbage disposals because putting fats, oil and grease down the disposal is not good for the environment or for your pipes. By composting food, your complex can reduce garbage costs by downsizing your garbage dumpster after starting this program.



Food + Compostables Comida + Compostables

Apartments & Condos

Food Scraps Restos de comida



Uncoated Paper Papel/cartón



Yard Waste & Floral Trimmings Residuos de jardín



Remember...

Collect food scraps in your kitchen using a paper bag, newspaper or approved compostable bag and then place in your outdoor food + compostables cart. List of approved bags at cedar-grove.com/compostable/accepted-items

Outdoor carts must be accessible for collection. Call 425-556-2897 for a clean cart.



Recuerde...

Juntar los restos de comida en su cocina utilizando una bolsa de papel o de tipo compostable y colocarla afuera en el contenedor de comida + compostables. Lista de bolsas aprobadas en cedar-grove.com/compostable/accepted-items

Los contenedores deben permanecer en un lugar accesible para la recolección. Llame al 425-556-2897 para pedir un contenedor limpio.

NO!

NO PLASTIC - Plastic bags - Plastic containers - Garbage - Diapers - Pet litter or waste -
Coated (shiny) paper products - NO PLÁSTICO - Bolsas de plástico - Contenedores de plástico - Basura - Pañales -
- Desechos de mascota - Papel o cartón con capa brillante

NO!



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