

## Recycle Your Food Scraps at Home with Help from Ramsey County

Ramsey County makes it easy for residents to [recycle food scraps and other organic waste for free](#) by providing 13 convenient drop-off locations throughout the county. More than 30% of what goes into the trash is food scraps and other organic waste. Recycling food waste converts it to compost, which puts nutrients back into the soil. Ramsey County collection sites enable people to drop off food scraps that would otherwise be thrown in the trash – these are then processed into compost and used in gardening and landscaping.

### [Collecting your organics recycling is as easy as 1-2-3](#)

1. **Get a free starter kit**

The kit includes a 2-gallon bin with a locking cover, compostable bags, tips for success and an organics recycling punch card.

2. **Line your bin with a compostable bag and add organics**

Use the free compostable bags from your starter kit and start filling.

3. **Bring your bagged organics to one of the 13 available Ramsey County locations**

Deposit your bag(s) in the food scraps dumpster at a drop-off collection site. Be sure to ask the site attendant for more (free!) compostable bags. Bring the punch card in for five organics recycling drop-offs and you'll receive a free "Ramsey Recycles" t-shirt!