Food Scrap drop off at the Arlington Farmers Market

Bring your food scraps to the Arlington Farmers Market and we'll send them off to be **composted!**

Arlington is working with Bootstrap Compost of Jamaica Plain to bring Arlington residents this opportunity to test out separating food scraps from the rest of your trash at home. See how it works for you in this quick and easy 10-week drop off test project.

Try it for **ONE WEEK**

and if you like it, then

EVERY WEEK

Here's how it will work:

Bring your food scraps (in whatever container you have on hand) to the Farmers Market between 2pm and 6pm and look for the collection site at the Pleasant Street market entrance. Then, add your food scraps into the Bootstrap bucket - please take your container home with you to recycle or reuse. If it was super easy (and we think it will be) then you can continue for the rest of the market season. We will ask for your email address so that DPW can get your feedback about what you liked and if you would like to see this service again next year. Drop off continues through the last day of the Arlington Farmers Market 2015 season.

What can be composted?

What food scraps to include, according to Bootstrapcompost.com

Except for meat, dairy, plastic or rubber, almost anything goes! So feel free to include fruits & veggies; eggshells; bread, grains & pasta; coffee grounds, filters, tea-bags, & biodegradable cafe items; nuts & spices; napkins, paper towels, & compostable cutlery; laundry lint; and small yard clippings & flowers.

If you're unsure, call Charlotte Milan, Recycling Coordinator at DPW: 781-316-3108

Stay tuned for the results of this test project

More about composting at

arlingtonma.gov/recycle

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Frequently Asked Questions

from their curbside subscription program page at bootstrapcompost.com

If you like the idea of curbside collection and want to learn more about Bootstrap Compost's service, read on

What can I include in my bucket? Are there any no-no's?

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Where on Earth do I leave my bucket?

Please place your full bucket near the front entrance of your residence by 9 a.m. on your scheduled Bootstrap day. Should the front entrance prove difficult to access due to physical disability issues, we will happily arrange for another drop off location.

Do I need to be home for pickups?

Nope. Just leave your bucket near the front entrance of your residence on the day of your pickup and we'll swap it out. Service occurs between 9 a.m. and 11 p.m, so it may take a few hours.

What communities do you serve?

Currently, we serve 18 of Boston's 21 neighborhoods, including Allston/Brighton, Eastie, Hyde Park, and West Roxbury to name a few. Additionally, our army of Bootstrappers reside in Arlington, Belmont, Brookline, Cambridge, Malden, Milton, Newton, Somerville, Quincy, and Watertown. We are always expanding, so please drop us a line if you live in the Greater Boston area.

Do you serve offices, cafes or restaurants?

We sure do. Check out our **current list of commercial clients** (ranging from high-rise offices to corner cafes) and join the club! Just **contact us** for more info and we can arrange a consultation to solve your composting challenges.

When do I get my compost?

Subscribers receive 5 pounds of compost three times a year, during our **Compost Week!** giveaways.

How do I pay?

We provide an automated billing system for all clients, making payments to BSC hassle and worry-free. Sorry, cash or checks are not accepted.

Can we switch our frequency of pick ups? Certainly. Currently we offer weekly and biweekly service. We'll work with you to come up with the best pickup plan.

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