Composting is a natural form of recycling that turns certain waste into organic material that can be used in a variety of ways.

**COMPOSTING FACTS**

**38 million tons of food waste was generated in 2014**

- 5.1% of food waste was composted
- 20% of discarded waste is food waste

**Benefits**
- Reduces the waste that goes into landfills
- Reduces methane emissions
- Acts as a natural fertilizer, weed killer, and soil nourishment agent
- Reduces the need to purchase lawn and garden fertilizer or weed killer
- Reduces collection fees for landscape waste

**WHAT CAN BE COMPOSTED?**

**Where can I Compost?**

- Indoors
- Outdoors

  Choose a dry, shaded, or partially shaded area near a water source

**Nuts and Seeds**

**Paper**

**Leaves and Yard Trimings**

**Fruits and Vegetables**

**Coffee Grounds**

**Tea Bags and Leaves**

**Saw Dust Shavings**