

On the occasion of
International Compost Awareness Week 2026,
please join us for this **free** presentation:

Let's Go to the Ex!

CNE's Waste Management Program in Action

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CNEA: Canadian National Exhibition Association

Wednesday May 6, 2026 - 1pm Eastern

The Canadian National Exhibition (CNE) is Canada's largest community event and one of the top ten agricultural fairs in North America. Founded in 1879 as the Toronto Industrial Exhibition, the CNE has enjoyed a distinguished history as a showcase of the nation, continuing to be one of Ontario's great annual traditions. Taking place over the 18 days leading up to and including Labour Day, it is affectionately embraced as an end-of-summer ritual by more than 1.4 million visitors annually, visitors who reflect the rich diversity of Toronto and the region.

Committed to fostering a sustainable future through innovation and waste diversion initiatives, the CNE has a mission to establish new sustainability benchmarks and share best practices, such as their waste minimization, including organics recycling and food surplus sharing, as well as responsible material sourcing within the event industry.

In 2025, the CNE expanded the depth of its waste diversion program, including mandating all food vendors to use a third-party certification that ensures all food serving packaging 100% compostable. And through a partnership with Coca-Cola introduced Oscar AI machines to help guests sort and identify the proper bin to dispose of their food, plastics and waste.

Amongst the recent Fair's sustainability wins is the diversion of 93.8 tonnes of organic residuals for composting, capturing of 23.4 tonnes of used cooking oil for repurposing and recycling and rescuing of 11 tonnes of surplus food to support communities facing food security challenges. As an extra commitment to waste-to-resource sustainability, the CNE, in partnership with Walker Industries, will be donating some of their finished compost to local community initiatives to complete the cycle and help "feed the soil that feeds us".



Join us on **Wednesday May 6th @ 1pm Eastern**
as we celebrate *International Compost Awareness Week 2026*
with this **FREE Webinar**.

Learn, listen and be inspired as
Beau Felipe, Manager, Operations & Events Services
for the Canadian National Exhibition
reviews CNE's focus on organics recycling
at this magnificent Canadian Fair.