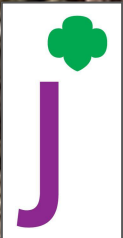


# All About Composting

And why you should do it with Black Earth

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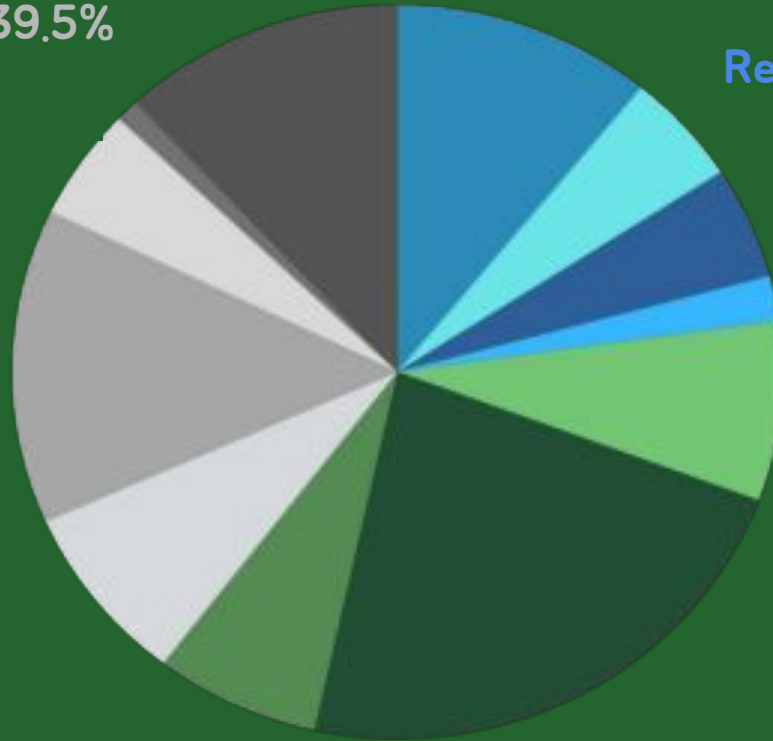


Do you see all of the different colors? They all stand for something. Gray for special handling (difficult) trash, Blue for recyclables and lastly, Green for compostables.

This is what was still in the trash in Lexington in 2022

Lexington's waste is incinerated and the ash goes into landfill.

Trash-39.5%



Recyclable-22.9%

Compostable-37.6%

With your help, more of that compostable waste can turn into soil and be used for gardens instead of being burned.

# FREE CURBSIDE COMPOSTING

Lexington is expanding its curbside composting pilot to 4,000 households! Get weekly pickup of food waste and other compostable items.



**SIGN UP WHILE SPACE REMAINS**

[blackearthcompost.com/lexington](https://blackearthcompost.com/lexington)

Lexington is offering free curbside composting. If we all use the Black Earth Composting, we will be able to grow more plants and food because of the natural soil that compost provides. If you participate, you get a voucher for a free bag of the soil that comes back from the composting facilities.

There are only 500-600 spots left for free curbside composting out of 4,000 spots so be quick to sign up for free!

The composting cycle is never ending. It goes from plants to crop/harvest, to food waste, to dirt, and all over again.



## Reasons you should compost with Black Earth Composting

- It's free
- You can compost more food using Black Earth than on your own, because you can compost meat, fish and bones.
- It makes your trash less smelly because there is no rotting food
- It's easy to do - just put all food waste in a separate container and put it out in a bin when you put your trash out on pickup day
- You get a 13 gallon for bin with a locking lid and wheels your weekly composting. You also can use a countertop container for your daily compost.
- You can reduce your family's garbage waste by half!



## How Free Curb Composting can help the town and the planet

Free curb composting helps the planet because instead of reducing food scraps into landfills, it is being decomposed and being turned into fresh soil, we use for our gardens.

Free curb composting lets us get dirt, lets worms be able to eat food, and helps the planet be healthy.

And it saves the town money. It costs the town over \$300,000 each year to dispose of over 3000 tons of compostable material as trash instead!



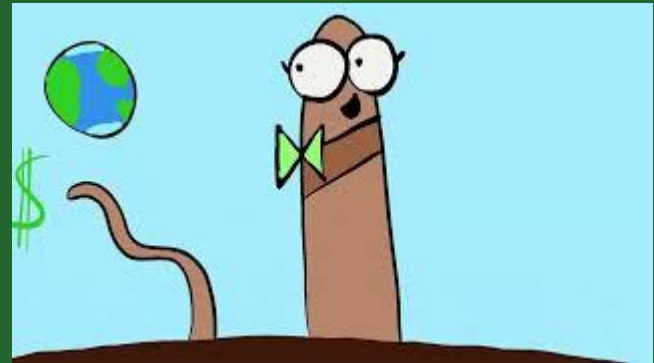
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## How Can You Help?

Talk to your parents at home. If your family doesn't compost yet, ask them to sign up at

[blackearthcompost.com/Lexington](http://blackearthcompost.com/Lexington)

Ask them to watch this video with you to learn more about composting: [Willow the Worm](#). It was made by a Lexington High School student!



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