FOOD SCRAPS What happens when you use the Green Bin?

Food scraps – such as apple cores, meat bones and potato peelings – go into your green bin. Your green bin is full of valuable organic materials

> It gets picked up and taken to a compost facility

The organic waste is:

• Shredded

- Kept moist and aerated to speed decomposition
- Screened to get rid of non-compostable materials

The food is sold in shops and markets You get to purchase – and eat! – fresh fruits and vegetables

> Good quality compost is distributed to farms and gardens and used to grow food, trees and flowers

Congratulations!

By sorting your waste and putting your food scraps in the green bin, you have:

Reduced greenhouse gas emissions

Landfills produce methane – a very potent greenhouse gas that contributes to climate change.

✓ Protected landfill space

Reducing waste helps to prolong landfill life.

✓ Helped to create a valuable resource

Class A compost is full of nutrients that plants need and meets provincial standards.



Finished compost may also be used for large-scale applications such as landscaping, forestry and restoring degraded landscapes



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