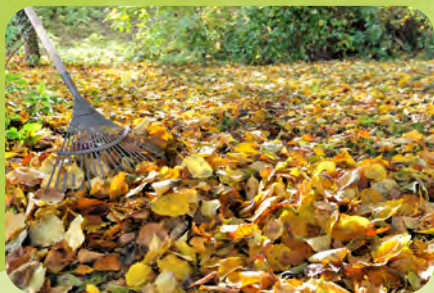




Do Your Part — Compost Your Food & Yard Waste



Composting kitchen and yard waste can be clean, neat, and tidy



Do your part to keep food scraps and yard waste out of landfills by composting! Composting saves you money and reduces the release of the greenhouse gas methane. Once ready, your compost will reduce the need for chemical fertilizers and will enrich your soil by helping it retain moisture.



It's easy as 1, 2, 3

- 1 .** Locate pile or container at least 2 feet from any structure
- 2 .** Starting with larger sticks, pile yard trimmings loosely—try for a 50/50 mix of rich green items (grass, fruit scraps, vegetable scraps) vs brown items (dry leaves, egg shells, cardboard)
- 3 .** Mix occasionally to help add oxygen OR make “aeration tents” from bent cardboard to help move air to the center of the pile

Pests are a non-issue if you always cover greens with browns and avoid adding meat, dairy, and bones to your pile



Additional guidance is available from the Ecology Action Center at 309-454-3169 or by visiting CompostBN.org