Urban Residential Food Scraps Collection

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Why food?

 Nearly 30% of garbage is food scraps.

 Composting food scraps helps make healthy soil and prevents pollution that comes from food rotting in landfills.





Program Timeline

June **September** Board approval **Promotion October** July - August Planning Collection begins



Include the food in October

- Available to all yard debris customers.
- Picked up every other week.
- All food is allowed, plus a limited number of non-food items.



Service Availability

- Beaverton
- Cornelius
- Durham
- Forest Grove
- Hillsboro
- King City
- Lake Oswego

- Portland
- Sherwood
- Tigard
- Tualatin
- Urban unincorporated areas of Washington County





Promotional efforts

- Brochure mailed to ~64,500 single family residents in urban Unincorporated Washington County
- Website update
- Press Release
- Campaign on Garbage and Recycling Day app
- Social media posts
- Limited quantity of kitchen pails distributed at events and by request
- Printed brochures in English & Spanish





Q & A



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