

Waukesha County Department of Parks and Land Use

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DISCOUNT HOME COMPOSTING BINS AVAILABLE TO WAUKESHA COUNTY RESIDENTS THROUGH PRE-ORDER SALE Free Virtual Workshop on How to Start Composting at Home

(Waukesha, WI) – Waukesha County Parks and Land Use and Recycling Connections are hosting an online pre-order sale of Home Composter[™] bins through March 12. All orders will be available for no-contact pickup at Retzer Nature Center on Saturday, May 8 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Retzer Nature Center is located at S14 W28167 Madison Street in Waukesha.

"Home composting is a great way to turn grass clippings, leaves and food scraps into high-quality fertilizer for your lawn and garden," said Waukesha County Executive Paul Farrow. "It also saves landfill space and reduces methane production."

The backyard Home Composter[™] bin is on sale for \$55 (a \$100 value). Products can be viewed and preordered online now through March 12 at <u>www.recyclingconnections.org/waukesha</u>. After ordering, customers will be sent a sign-up tool to schedule their pick-up time. Items are required to be picked up on May 8, unclaimed items will be donated for use as educational materials.

Interested parties can learn more about home composting at an upcoming online workshop.

Tuesday, March 9 – Compost: It Makes Plants Happy

Virtual from 7p.m. to 8 p.m. Learn how to start and manage a backyard compost. Get started diverting your food scraps at home for increasing your soil fertility for gardens and household plants. Registration is required. <u>Register online</u> today!

About the Department of Parks & Land Use

The Waukesha County Department of Parks & Land Use, working through a combination of collaboration, education and regulation is dedicated to fostering economic development, sound land use, and the protection, enhancement and enjoyment of the County's natural resources and health of its citizens.

About Recycling Connections

This program is offered in partnership with <u>Recycling Connections</u>, a non-profit company based in Wisconsin with over 40 years' experience in waste reduction, composting, and recycling education and outreach.

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