

Welcome to Davis! We Recycle!

Mixed Paper

- Staples and glassine windows are okay
- Please remove paper clips and clasps

YES

- junk mail
- magazines
- catalogs
- cereal boxes
- shoe boxes
- phone books
- paper bags
- newspaper
- paper towel tubes
- egg cartons
- white paper
- colored paper
- computer and notebook paper

NO

- juice/milk cartons
- frozen food boxes
- paper towels
- tissues
- plastic/wax coated paper
- photographs
- blueprint paper
- mylar paper
- carbon paper
- thermal fax paper

Cardboard

- Remove all packing materials such as Styrofoam and polystyrene peanuts
- Flatten large cardboard boxes and stack outside of the recycling cart

YES

- flattened corrugated cardboard boxes
- clean pizza boxes (no food stuck to them)

NO

- waxed cardboard
- packing materials
- unflattened boxes
- pizza boxes with food stuck to them

Glass

- Containers must be empty
- Remove caps and lids (put these in the recycling cart)
- Paper labels are okay

YES

- food jars
- beverage glass bottles
- all colors are okay

NO

- auto glass
- ceramic
- fluorescent lights
- light bulbs
- mirrors
- window glass
- Pyrex dishes
- porcelain

Metal Cans

- Cans must be empty
- Paper labels are okay

YES

- aluminum cans
- tin/steel cans
- aluminum foil
- empty aerosol and paint cans
- pie plates
- cake pans
- metal lids and caps

NO

- scrap metals (use the DWR drop-off facility at 2727 Second St., open 24 hours a day)

Plastic

- Containers must be empty
- Discard lids and caps

YES

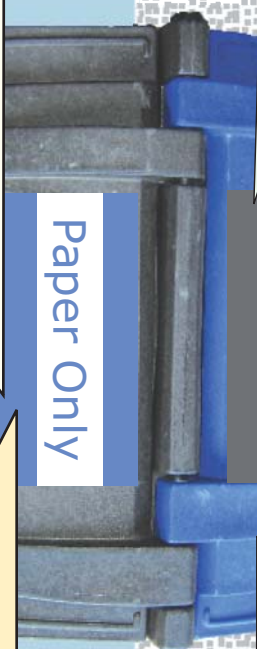
- all #1 and #2 plastic containers
- look for the symbols on the bottom of the container

NO

- plastic bags
- film
- wrap

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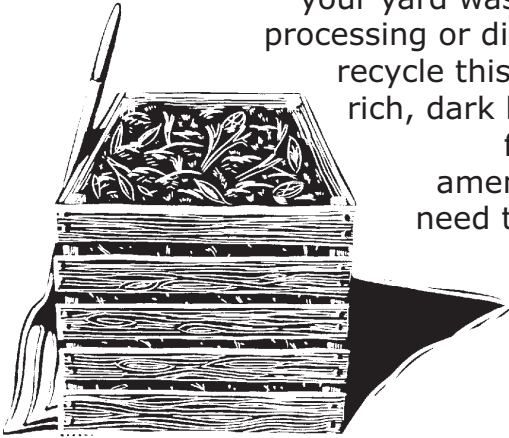
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Backyard Composting

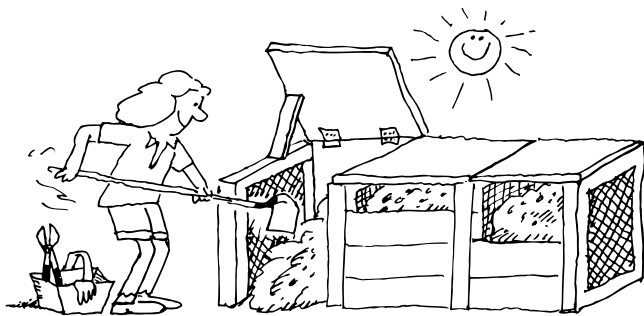
Composting is a means of using natural decomposing processes to turn kitchen and yard wastes into a nutrient-rich soil supplement for your yard or garden. It also has the potential to divert a significant amount of waste from our landfill.

Backyard composting makes good sense - and good dollars and cents. Rather than having your yard waste collected for processing or disposal, you can recycle this material into a rich, dark humus material for use as a soil amendment. All you need to get started is a compost technique and a bin or a pile.



Compost is like a multivitamin for your soil. It will aid in erosion control, promote soil fertility and stimulate healthy root development. Compost improves soil structure by adding organic content and also increases the water-holding capacity of soil so that you will not need to water as much.

Composting is a natural process by which organic materials decompose. Making compost is a controlled or managed version of the natural process. By concentrating the activity in one place and balancing food, air and water, compost happens faster.



**For more information on
backyard
composting, visit
www.davisrecycling.org**

Would you like a free compost bin?

Potential composters may sign up at any time for a free correspondence class. A packet of information is mailed to you; after reviewing the material, return a simple quiz.

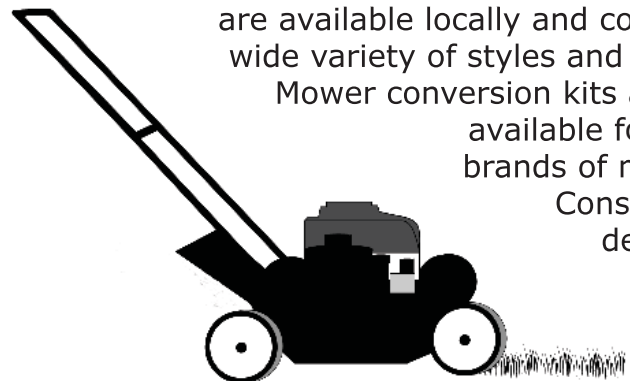
You will then be notified to pick up an easily-transported, free compost bin. Call the Public Works Department at 757-5686 for a free compost correspondence class packet.

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Another alternative to hauling grass clippings to the curb is to leave them on the lawn as a fertilizer. If you are thinking about purchasing a new lawn mower, consider buying a self-mulching mower. These mowers chop grass clippings finely so that they can readily decompose into your lawn. Mulch mowers are available locally and come in a wide variety of styles and brands.

Mower conversion kits are also available for some brands of mowers.

Consult your dealer for details.



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Public Works
Recycling Program
757-5686
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