

2021 Required Newsletter Article

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Do good with food scraps

Food waste makes up nearly 20 percent of our household trash, yet it doesn't do any good sitting in a landfill. Instead, food scraps could turn into beneficial compost – a soil-like material used to help plants grow. Sign up for the free organics collection program to access five drop-off sites throughout Dakota County with more being added this year.

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Sign up online at www.dakotacounty.us, search organics, call 952-891-7557 or email organics@co.dakota.mn.us. All participants receive helpful tips and free compostable bags to use at home.



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Food waste drop-off coming to [enter city]

Say 'hello' to the newest organics collection location in Dakota County. The [site name] drop-off location in [city] opens [date]. Residents can bring food scraps to the site for free.

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