Appendix A: Illinois Municipal Composting Programs

As of September 2020, below is a list of select municipalities with available residential curbside food scrap composting programs, according to their respective websites. Click on the County to jump to that section:

Cook County  DeKalb County  DuPage County  Kane County  Kendall County  Lake County  McHenry County

To add programs to this list, please contact the Illinois Food Scrap Coalition at illinoiscomposts@gmail.com

Cook County

Arlington Heights
Type of Program: ✅ Seasonal (April to mid-December)  📺 Year-round  🆕 Bucket Exchange  🆕 Municipal Drop-off
Hauler: Groot
Acceptable Items: Residents are limited to fruits, vegetables, grains, non-liquid dairy, coffee and tea grounds
Cost to Residents: ✅ No Cost  🆕 Subscription (opt-in)  🆕 Embedded in Garbage Fees
The cost for using a 95-gallon cart is $175.98 per season. The cost for using a 65-gallon car is $159.98 per season.

Barrington
Type of Program: ✅ Seasonal (March to mid-December)  📺 Year-round  🆕 Bucket Exchange  🆕 Municipal Drop-off
Hauler: Groot
Acceptable Items: Residents are limited to fruits, vegetables, grains, non-liquid dairy, coffee and tea grounds
Cost to Residents: ✅ No Cost  🆕 Subscription (opt-in)  🆕 Embedded in Garbage Fees

Evanston
Type of Program: ✅ Seasonal (April to December)  📺 Year-round  🆕 Bucket Exchange  🆕 Municipal Drop-off
Hauler: Groot + Collective Resource (Two programs offered)
Acceptable Items: Fruits, vegetables, leftovers/kitchen scraps, coffee grounds, tea bags, filters, breads, grains, pasta, cereal, meat, poultry, seafood, shells, bones, dairy, eggs (no liquids), paper products, paper towels, plates, napkins, egg cartons and pizza boxes.
For Collective Resource’s extensive list look at [What to Compost with Commercial Composting]
For Groot’s details about Food and Yard Waste service look [here].

Cost to Residents:  
✅ No Cost  
✅ Subscription (opt-in)  
サークル中: Embedded in Garbage Fees
Option 1: Seasonal ride along, subscription based $82.50 one time fee or $25/year
Option 2: Year-round bucket exchange targeting businesses and commercial properties with Collective Resource. Five gallon bucket or 32 gallon cart, additional fees not paid for by the city. Weekly pickup, one bucket: Monthly $27, Biweekly pickup, one bucket: Monthly $20.50. Residents receive a discounted rate for service from Collective Resource

Elmwood Park
Type of Program:  
✅ Seasonal (April to December)  
サークル中: Year-round  
サークル中: Bucket Exchange  
サークル中: Municipal Drop-off
Hauler: Lakeshore Recycling Systems
Acceptable Items: Bread, cereal, coffee grounds, dairy, egg shells, eggs, fruits, grains, pasta, shells, and vegetables
Cost to Residents:  
サークル中: No Cost  
サークル中: Subscription (opt-in)  
サークル中: Embedded in Garbage Fees

Glencoe
Type of Program:  
✅ Seasonal (April to December)  
サークル中: Year-round  
サークル中: Bucket Exchange  
サークル中: Municipal Drop-off
Hauler: Lakeshore Recycling Systems
Acceptable Items: Bread, cereal, coffee grounds, dairy, egg shells, eggs, fruits, grains, pasta, shells, and vegetables
Cost to Residents:  
サークル中: No Cost  
サークル中: Subscription (opt-in)  
サークル中: Embedded in Garbage Fees

Glenview
Type of Program:  
✅ Seasonal (April - December)  
サークル中: Year-round  
サークル中: Bucket Exchange  
サークル中: Municipal Drop-off
Hauler: Groot
Acceptable Items: Grass clippings, leaves, twigs, garden debris, weeds, fruits, seeds, stalks, vines are acceptable landscape items
Cost to Residents:  
サークル中: No Cost  
サークル中: Subscription (opt-in)  
サークル中: Embedded in Garbage Fees
Residents must pay a subscription fee of $152.37. With the subscription, they can set out up to 4 biodegradable yard waste bags per week without stickers. Each bag beyond that must have a yard waste sticker, which can be purchased for $3.15. Residents may also choose to rent a 95-gallon cart from Groot for $8.18 per season.
LaGrange Park
Type of Program:  ✅ Seasonal (April - December)  ✗ Year-round  ✗ Bucket Exchange  ✗ Municipal Drop-off
Hauler:  Lakeshore Recycling Services
Acceptable Items:  Bread, cereal, coffee grounds, dairy, egg shells, eggs, fruits, grains, pasta, shells, and vegetables
Cost to Residents:  ✗ No Cost  ✗ Subscription (opt-in)  ✗ Embedded in Garbage Fees
Residents can purchase yard waste stickers for $3.00. They may also purchase an optional 95-gallon cart for $20.00 per month during collection season

Mount Prospect
Type of Program:  ✅ Seasonal (April to December)  ✗ Year-round  ✗ Bucket Exchange  ✗ Municipal Drop-off
Hauler:  Republic Services
Acceptable Items:  Grass clippings, brush, flowers, leaves, fruits and vegetables, pasta, meat (no bone), breads, crackers, cereals, dairy – cheese, yogurt (no liquids), coffee grounds
Cost to Residents:  ✗ No Cost  ✗ Subscription (opt-in)  ✗ Embedded in Garbage Fees
Optional yard waste cart rental with a monthly fee of approximately $3.50

Morton Grove
Type of Program:  ✅ Seasonal (April to December)  ✗ Year-round  ✗ Bucket Exchange  ✗ Municipal Drop-off
Hauler:  Groot
Acceptable Items:  Acceptable food scraps for composting include: fruits, vegetables, bread, grains, pasta, cereal, non-liquid dairy, eggshells, coffee grounds (no coffee filters) and tea leaves (no teabags)
Cost to Residents:  ✗ No Cost  ✗ Subscription (opt-in)  ✗ Embedded in Garbage Fees

Oak Park
Type of Program:  ✗ Seasonal  ✅ Year-round  ✗ Bucket Exchange  ✗ Municipal Drop-off
Hauler:  Waste Management
Acceptable Items:  Grass clippings, garden vegetation, leaves, brush; food scraps, including meat, bread, vegetables, table scraps, dairy, coffee grounds and pasta; unsoiled or food-soiled paper products, such as paper towels, paper bags, pizza boxes, napkins, paper cups, newspapers and food packaging; compostable plastic bags that meet ASTM 6400 or ASTM 6868 standards
Cost to Residents:  ✗ No Cost  ✗ Subscription (opt-in)  ✗ Embedded in Garbage Fees
$15.30 per month
**Park Ridge**

*Type of Program:* 🗓️ Seasonal  ✔️ Year-round  ✔️ Bucket Exchange  ✖️ Municipal Drop-off

Go Green Park Ridge promotes Collective Resource as the vendor, as a subscription

*Hauler:* Collective Resource

*Acceptable Items:* Fruits, vegetables, leftovers/kitchen scraps, coffee grounds, tea bags, filters, breads, grains, pasta, cereal, meat, poultry, seafood, shells, bones, dairy, eggs (no liquids), paper products, paper towels, plates, napkins, egg cartons and pizza boxes. For an extensive list look at [What to Compost with Commercial Composting](#)

*Cost to Residents:* 🗓️ No Cost  ✔️ Subscription (opt-in)  ✖️ Embedded in Garbage Fees

5-gallon bucket is either $10.50 once a week or $15.50 bi-weekly

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**River Forest**

*Type of Program:* 🗓️ Seasonal  ✔️ Year-round  ✔️ Bucket Exchange  ☓️ Municipal Drop-off

*Hauler:* Roy Strom Refuse Removal Service

*Acceptable Items:* Grass clippings, garden vegetation, leaves, brush; food scraps, including meat, bread, vegetables, table scraps, dairy, coffee grounds and pasta; unsoiled or food-soiled paper products, such as paper towels, paper bags, pizza boxes, napkins, paper cups, newspapers and food packaging; compostable plastic bags that meet ASTM 6400 or ASTM 6868 standards

*Cost to Residents:* 🗓️ No Cost  ✔️ Subscription (opt-in)  ☓️ Embedded in Garbage Fees

$20.36 per month for a one year contract

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**Skokie**

*Type of Program:* 🗓️ Seasonal  ✔️ Year-round  ✔️ Bucket Exchange  ☓️ Municipal Drop-off

*Hauler:* Collective Resource

*Acceptable Items:* Fruits, vegetables, leftovers/kitchen scraps, coffee grounds, tea bags, filters, breads, grains, pasta, cereal, meat, poultry, seafood, shells, bones, dairy, eggs (no liquids), paper products, paper towels, plates, napkins, egg cartons and pizza boxes. For an extensive list look at [What to Compost with Commercial Composting](#)

*Cost to Residents:* 🗓️ No Cost  ✔️ Subscription (opt-in)  ☓️ Embedded in Garbage Fees

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**Wilmette**

*Type of Program:* ✔️ Seasonal (April to November)  ☓️ Year-round  ✔️ Bucket Exchange  ✔️ Municipal Drop-off

*Hauler:* Advanced Disposal

*Acceptable Items:* Fruits and vegetables, dairy (no liquids), eggs and eggshells, bread, grains, cereals, pasta, teabags, and coffee grounds and filters. Shredded paper and shredded cardboard egg cartons are also acceptable
Cost to Residents: ☑ No Cost  ☑ Subscription (opt-in)  ☑ Embedded in Garbage Fees

Yard waste sticker(s) must be affixed to the lid of your cart for each collection. The 96-gallon carts will require 3 stickers, and the 35-gallon carts will require 1 sticker per collection. Yard waste stickers cost $2.25 each.

Worth

Type of Program: ☑ Seasonal (April to November)  ☑ Year-round  ☑ Bucket Exchange  ☑ Municipal Drop-off

Hauler: Lakeshore Recycling

Acceptable Items: Bread, cereal, coffee grounds, dairy, egg shells, eggs, fruits, grains, pasta, shells, and vegetables

Cost to Residents: ☑ No Cost  ☑ Subscription (opt-in)  ☑ Embedded in Garbage Fees

Residents may choose to purchase a yard waste cart for $3.00 per month.

Riverside

Type of Program: ☑ Seasonal (April to November)  ☑ Year-round  ☑ Bucket Exchange  ☑ Municipal Drop-off

Hauler: Flood Brothers Disposal/Recycling Services

Accepted Items: Fruit and vegetable scraps, meat, poultry and fish scraps (including bones), cheese and dairy scraps, all solid food leftovers, bread, pasta and grains, eggshells and nutshell, coffee grounds and filters, tea bags, food soiled paper, paper towels and napkins, paper food wrap, greasy pizza boxes, food-soiled cardboard (remove plastic or aluminum), paper grocery bags containing food scraps, uncoated paper plates and cups, yard waste, leaves, grass and weeds, plant trimmings, branches, house plants / flower bouquets (discard plastic container)

Cost to Residents: ☑ No Cost  ☑ Subscription (opt-in)  ☑ No Cost  ☑ Subscription (opt-in)  ☑ No Cost  ☑ Subscription (opt-in)  ☑ No Cost  ☑ Subscription (opt-in)  ☑ No Cost  ☑ Subscription (opt-in)

Residents may choose to purchase a yard waste cart for $3.00 per month.

DeKalb County

DeKalb

Type of Program: ☑ Seasonal (April to November)  ☑ Year-round  ☑ Bucket Exchange  ☑ Municipal Drop-off

Hauler: Lakeshore Recycling Services

Acceptable Items: Bread, cereal, coffee grounds, dairy, egg shells, eggs, fruits, grains, pasta, shells, vegetables

Cost to Residents: ☑ No Cost  ☑ Subscription (opt-in)  ☑ No Cost  ☑ Subscription (opt-in)  ☑ No Cost  ☑ Subscription (opt-in)

Collection is free if residents place organic wastes in biodegradable waste bags under 32-gallons or 50lbs. Residents may also choose to purchase a yard waste bin. A 65-gallon yard waste cart costs $3.00 per month during the yard waste
collection season. A 95-gallon yard waste cart costs $5.00 per month during the yard waste collection season.

**DuPage County**

**Clarendon Hills**
Type of Program: ✔ Seasonal (April to November) ☑ Year-round ☑ Bucket Exchange ☑ Municipal Drop-off
Hauler: Republic Services
Acceptable Items: Grass clippings, leaves, branches, brush trimmings, garden trimmings, vines, garden plants, flowers, weeds, tree droppings (pine cones, ornamental fruit) and other types of organic waste from the cultivation of a lawn, vegetable or flower garden, trees and shrubbery
Cost to Residents: ☑ No Cost ☑ Subscription (opt-in) ✔ Embedded in Garbage Fees
Residents purchase a 65-gallon container, $140 per season or 95-gallon container, $180 per season

**Downers Grove**
Type of Program: ✔ Seasonal (April to December) ☑ Year-round ☑ Bucket Exchange ☑ Municipal Drop-off
Hauler: Republic Services
Acceptable Items: Standard yard waste materials, fruits, vegetables, pastas, breads, crackers, cereals, meat (NO BONES), cheese and yogurt
Cost to Residents: ✔ No Cost ☑ Subscription (opt-in) ✔ Embedded in Garbage Fees

**Elmhurst**
Type of Program: ✔ Seasonal (April to December) ☑ Year-round ☑ Bucket Exchange ☑ Municipal Drop-off
Hauler: Republic Services
Acceptable Items: Grass clippings, brush, flowers, leaves, fruits, vegetables, pasta, meat (no bones), breads, crackers, cereals, egg shells, dairy-- cheese, yogurt (no liquids), paper bags
Cost to Residents: ✔ No Cost ☑ Subscription (opt-in) ✔ Embedded in Garbage Fees
Optional to rent an organics toter for $17.50 per month. If residents choose to use their own container, a yard waste sticker at $3.50 is required.

**Glen Ellyn**
Type of Program: ☑ Seasonal ☑ Year-round ☑ Bucket Exchange ☑ Municipal Drop-off
Hauler: Groot
Acceptable Items: Grass clippings, leaves, brush, food scraps, bread, vegetables, table scraps, dairy, coffee grounds and pasta
Cost to Residents: ✅ No Cost   ✔️ Subscription (opt-in)   ✅ Embedded in Garbage Fees
Monthly cost: $11.53 for a 35-gallon container, $13.41 for a 65-gallon, and $16.69 for a 95-gallon

Hinsdale
Type of Program: ✔️ Seasonal    ✅ Year-round    ✅ Bucket Exchange    ✅ Municipal Drop-off
Hauler: Republic
Acceptable Items: Grass clippings, leaves, brush, food scraps, bread, vegetables, table scraps, dairy, coffee grounds and pasta
Cost to Residents: ✅ No Cost   ✔️ Subscription (opt-in)   ✅ Embedded in Garbage Fees
Residents must call Republic Services to purchase a 65-gallon or 95-gallon container to be used for organics composting only. Leaves and other small landscape debris may be added to the organics composting container and a sticker is not needed. Composting Bins: 65 Gallon = $144 per season or 95 Gallon = $186 per season

Lisle
Type of Program: ✔️ Seasonal (March to December)    ✅ Year-round    ✅ Bucket Exchange    ✅ Municipal Drop-off
Hauler: Lakeshore Recycling Systems
Accepted Items: Bread, cereal, coffee grounds, dairy, egg shells, eggs, fruits, grains, pasta, shells, and vegetables
Cost to Residents: ✅ No Cost   ✔️ Subscription (opt-in)   ✅ Embedded in Garbage Fees
Option 1: Yard waste stickers - $3.16 for each acceptable biodegradable bag or container
Option 2: Subscription cart program - 65-gallon cart: $131.33/year; 95-gallon cart: $157.59/year

Lombard
Type of Program: ✔️ Seasonal (April to December)    ✅ Year-round    ✅ Bucket Exchange    ✅ Municipal Drop-off
Hauler: Waste Management
Accepted Items: Fruits, vegetables, eggshells, coffee grounds and filters, tea bags, nut shells, shredded newspaper, cardboard, paper, yard trimmings, grass clippings, houseplants, hay and straw, leaves, sawdust, wood chips, cotton and wool rags, dryer and vacuum cleaner lint, hair and fur, fireplace ashes
Cost to Residents: ✅ No Cost   ✔️ Subscription (opt-in)   ✅ Embedded in Garbage Fees
Annual subscription fee of $124.10

Naperville
Type of Program: ✔️ Seasonal (March to December)    ✅ Year-round    ✅ Bucket Exchange    ✅ Municipal Drop-off
Hauler: Groot
Acceptable Items: Fruits, vegetables, bread, grains, pasta, cereal, dairy (no liquids), coffee grounds & tea leaves
Cost to Residents: ✅ No Cost ✅ Subscription (opt-in) ✅ Embedded in Garbage Fees
Food scrap composting is available to those who subscribe to the 65-gallon cart for $185 or the 95-gallon yard-waste cart for $225.00 per year

**Wheaton**

Type of Program: ✅ Seasonal (April to December) ✅ Year-round ✅ Bucket Exchange ✅ Municipal Drop-off
Hauler: Lakeshore Recycling Systems
Acceptable Items: Floral trimmings, tree trimmings, leaves, grass, brush, weeds, fruits, vegetables, meat, poultry, seafood, shellfish, bones, rice, beans, pasta, bread, baked goods, grains, cheese, eggshells, napkins, paper towels, paper plates, pizza boxes, food-contaminated paper (example: fast-food paper bags), paper milk cartons, tea bags, coffee grounds/filters
Cost to Residents: ✅ No Cost ✅ Subscription (opt-in) ✅ Embedded in Garbage Fees
One biodegradable yard waste bag/container sticker: $2.81

**Kane County**

**Batavia**

Type of Program: ✅ Seasonal (March to November) ✅ Year-round ✅ Bucket Exchange ✅ Municipal Drop-off
Hauler: Advanced Disposal
Acceptable Items: Fruits & vegetables including unpainted holiday pumpkins; breads, grains, pasta & cereal; dairy & eggs including egg shells, but no liquids; coffee grounds, filters & teabags (no meat, poultry, seafood, bones)
Cost to Residents: ✅ No Cost ✅ Subscription (opt-in) ✅ Embedded in Garbage Fees
Yard waste stickers for yard waste bags cost $3 each; yard waste cart has a subscription cost of $30-32/month

**Elburn**

Type of Program: ✅ Seasonal (April - December) ✅ Year-round ✅ Bucket Exchange ✅ Municipal Drop-off
Hauler: Lakeshore Recycling Systems
Acceptable Items: Bread, cereal, coffee grounds, dairy, egg shells, eggs, fruits, grains, pasta, shells, and vegetables.
Cost to Residents: ✅ No Cost ✅ Subscription (opt-in) ✅ Embedded in Garbage Fees
Collection is free if residents place organic wastes in biodegradable waste bags under 32-gallons or 50lbs. Residents may
also choose to purchase a yard waste bin. A 65-gallon yard waste cart costs $3.00 per month during the yard waste collection season. A 95-gallon yard waste cart costs $5.00 per month during the yard waste collection season.

**Geneva**

*Type of Program:* ✅ Seasonal (March to November)   ☐ Year-round   ☐ Bucket Exchange   ☐ Municipal Drop-off  
*Hauler:* Lakeshore Recycling Systems  
*Acceptable Items:* Fruits, vegetables, halloween pumpkins, dairy, eggs (including shells but no liquids), breads, grains, pasta, cereal, coffee grounds and filters, teabags, paper products, including paper towels, napkins and tissues (no meat, poultry, seafood, bones)  
*Cost to Residents:* ☐ No Cost   ✅ Subscription (opt-in)   ☐ Embedded in Garbage Fees  
Stickers for yard waste bags cost $2.18 each; yard waste cart has a subscription cost of $27.30/month

**Kaneville Township**

*Type of Program:* ✅ Seasonal (June to November)   ☐ Year-round   ☐ Bucket Exchange   ☐ Municipal Drop-off  
*Hauler:* DC Recycling Services - Lakeshore Recycling Systems  
*Acceptable Items:* Bread, cereal, coffee grounds, dairy, egg shells, eggs, fruits, grains, pasta, shells, and vegetables  
*Cost to Residents:* ☑ No Cost   ✅ Subscription (opt-in)   ☑ Embedded in Garbage Fees  
Residents must subscribe to the yard waste collection program for $220.00 per season

**Mill Creek**

*Type of Program:* ✅ Seasonal (April to November)   ☐ Year-round   ☐ Bucket Exchange   ☐ Municipal Drop-off  
*Hauler:* Advanced Disposal  
*Acceptable Items:* Fruits & vegetables including unpainted holiday pumpkins; breads, grains, pasta & cereal; dairy & eggs including egg shells, but no liquids; coffee grounds, filters & teabags (no meat, poultry, seafood, bones)  
*Cost to Residents:* ☑ No Cost   ☑ Subscription (opt-in)   ☑ Embedded in Garbage Fees  
Residents must be enrolled in the 3 cart (trash, recycling, yard waste) program to participate in food scrap composting for $2.60/month.

**Kendall County**

**Oswego**

*Type of Program:* ✅ Seasonal (April to November)   ☐ Year-round   ☐ Bucket Exchange   ☐ Municipal Drop-off  
*Hauler:* Groot
Residents are limited to fruits, vegetables, grains, non-liquid dairy, coffee and tea grounds.

Residents must subscribe to the 95-gallon yard waste bin to participate in food scrap composting. The program is $120.00 per season.

Lake County
Lake County hosts Residential Food Scrap Drop Off at the following locations: Grayslake Recycling Center, 585 Berry Avenue and Prairieland Disposal & Recycling Center, 21988 N. Pepper Road

Bannockburn
Type of Program: ✓ Seasonal ✖ Year-round ✅ Bucket Exchange ✖ Municipal Drop-off
Hauler: Lakeshore Recycling Systems
Acceptable Items: Foods and plants, meat, bread, fish, vegetables, table scraps, egg shells, pastas, coffee grounds, filters, tea bags, papers
Cost to Residents: ✓ No Cost ✖ Subscription (opt-in) ✖ Embedded in Garbage Fees

Deer Park
Type of Program: ✓ Seasonal (April to November) ✖ Year-round ✅ Bucket Exchange ✖ Municipal Drop-off
Hauler: Groot
Acceptable Items: Grass clippings, leaves, twigs, garden debris, weeds, fruits, vegetables, seeds, stalks, vines, wasted food (no paper goods or non perishable items)
Cost to Residents: ✓ No Cost ✖ Subscription (opt-in) ✓ Embedded in Garbage Fees
$3.15 per yard waste sticker

Fox Lake
Type of Program: ✓ Seasonal ✖ Year-round ✅ Bucket Exchange ✖ Municipal Drop-off
Hauler: Waste Management
Acceptable Items: Fruits, vegetables (includes unpainted holiday pumpkins), leftovers/kitchen scraps (includes coffee grounds, tea bags & filters), breads, grains, pasta, cereal, meat, poultry, seafood (including shells and bones), dairy, eggs (including shells; no liquids), paper products (includes paper towels, plates, napkins, egg cartons and pizza boxes)
Cost to Residents: ✓ No Cost ✖ Subscription (opt-in) ✖ Embedded in Garbage Fees

Grayslake
**Type of Program:**  🔄 Seasonal (April to November)  ☑ Year-round  🔄 Bucket Exchange  ☑ Municipal Drop-off

**Hauler:** Waste Management

**Acceptable Items:** Fruits, vegetables (includes unpainted holiday pumpkins), leftovers/kitchen scraps (includes coffee grounds, tea bags & filters), breads, grains, pasta, cereal, meat, poultry, seafood (including shells and bones), dairy, eggs (including shells; no liquids), paper products (includes paper towels, plates, napkins, egg cartons and pizza boxes)

**Cost to Residents:**  🔄 No Cost  ☑ Subscription (opt-in)  ☑ Embedded in Garbage Fees

$11.32 per month in addition to residents’ current garbage and recycling bills. The Green Package is a waste service package - includes trash cart, recycling cart, and an additional 35 gallon cart for organics, collected year round. This cart can be used for food scrap collection, as well as grass clippings, leaves, and small branches.

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**Gurnee**

**Type of Program:**  ☑ Seasonal  🔄 Year-round  🔄 Bucket Exchange  🔄 Municipal Drop-off

**Hauler:** Waste Management

**Acceptable Items:** Kitchen scraps, expired fruits and vegetables and other organic materials, lawn clippings and other landscape waste

**Cost to Residents:**  🔄 No Cost  ☑ Subscription (opt-in)  ☑ Embedded in Garbage Fees

$84.86 per season for yard waste subscription, $2.45 per sticker for yard waste

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**Hawthorn Woods**

**Type of Program:**  ☑ Seasonal (April to November)  🔄 Year-round  🔄 Bucket Exchange  🔄 Municipal Drop-off

**Hauler:** Waste Management

**Acceptable Items:** Fruits, vegetables (includes unpainted holiday pumpkins), leftovers/kitchen scraps (includes coffee grounds, tea bags & filters), breads, grains, pasta, cereal, meat, poultry, seafood (including shells and bones), dairy, eggs (including shells; no liquids), paper products (includes paper towels, plates, napkins, egg cartons and pizza boxes)

**Cost to Residents:**  🔄 No Cost  ☑ Subscription (opt-in)  ☑ Embedded in Garbage Fees

Choice of $118.00 annual fee or $3.00 per sticker for yard waste and organics

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**Highland Park**

**Type of Program:**  ☑ Seasonal (April to December)  🔄 Year-round  🔄 Bucket Exchange  🔄 Municipal Drop-off

**Hauler:** Lakeshore Recycling Systems

**Acceptable Items:** Fruit and vegetable peels, egg shells, coffee grounds, paper napkins and yard waste

**Cost to Residents:**  🔄 No Cost  ☑ Subscription (opt-in)  ☑ Embedded in Garbage Fees

Residents are given one 35-gallon cart upon request without charge. Has an opt-in for winter months.
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Cost to Residents: ☑ No Cost  ☑ Subscription (opt-in)  ☑ Embedded in Garbage Fees
Residents must purchase yard waste stickers for $1.75

Lake Bluff
Type of Program: ☑ Seasonal  ☑ Year-round  ☑ Bucket Exchange  ☑ Municipal Drop-off
Hauler: Groot
Acceptable Items: Branches, brush, vines, fruits, vegetables, breads, grains, pasta, cereal, non-liquid dairy products, eggshells, coffee, tea leaves
Cost to Residents: ☑ No Cost  ☑ Subscription (opt-in)  ☑ Embedded in Garbage Fees
Landscape waste carts can be rented for an annual fee of $60.00

Long Grove
Type of Program: ☑ Seasonal  ☑ Year-round  ☑ Bucket Exchange  ☑ Municipal Drop-off
Hauler: Waste Management
Acceptable Items: Branches, brush, vines, fruits, vegetables, breads, grains, pasta, cereal, non-liquid dairy products, eggshells, coffee, tea leaves
Cost to Residents: ☑ No Cost  ☑ Subscription (opt-in)  ☑ Embedded in Garbage Fees

Mundelein
Type of Program: ☑ Seasonal (April to November)  ☑ Year-round  ☑ Bucket Exchange  ☑ Municipal Drop-off
Hauler: Groot
Acceptable Items: Fruits, vegetables, breads, grains, pasta, cereal, dairy (no liquids – cottage cheese, sour cream, yogurt, butter), egg shells, coffee grounds, tea leaves, breads, grains, pasta, cereal, herbs, unpainted/undecorated holiday pumpkins
Cost to Residents: ☑ No Cost  ☑ Subscription (opt-in)  ☑ Embedded in Garbage Fees
Pay-per-sticker ($2.70 each) or a landscape waste subscription ($108.26/year)

North Barrington
Type of Program: ☑ Seasonal  ☑ Year-round  ☑ Bucket Exchange  ☑ Municipal Drop-off
**Hauler:** Prairieland Disposal & Recycling Services  
**Acceptable Items:** Pet waste, fruits and vegetables, leftovers, kitchen scraps, coffee grounds and filters, breads, grains, pasta, cereal, meats, poultry, seafood, bones, dairy, eggs, plants and greens  
**Cost to Residents:** ☑ No Cost ☑ Subscription (opt-in) ☑ Embedded in Garbage Fees  
$4.34 per month for a compost container. Has an opt-in for winter months.

**Port Barrington**

**Type of Program:** ☑ Seasonal (April to November) ☑ Year-round ✗ Bucket Exchange ✗ Municipal Drop-off  
**Hauler:** Prairieland Disposal & Recycling Services  
**Acceptable Items:** Pet waste, fruits and vegetables, leftovers, kitchen scraps, coffee grounds and filters, breads, grains, pasta, cereal, meats, poultry, seafood, bones, dairy, eggs, plants and greens  
**Cost to Residents:** ☑ No Cost ☑ Subscription (opt-in) ☑ Embedded in Garbage Fees  
$100 for unlimited yard waste, $77.95 for six bags per week, or $2.45 per sticker

**Riverwoods**

**Type of Program:** ✗ Seasonal (April to November) ☑ Year-round ✗ Bucket Exchange ✗ Municipal Drop-off  
**Hauler:** Lakeshore Recycling Systems  
**Acceptable Items:** Pet waste, fruits and vegetables, leftovers, kitchen scraps, coffee grounds and filters, breads, grains, pasta, cereal, meats, poultry, seafood, bones, dairy, eggs, plants and greens  
**Cost to Residents:** ☑ No Cost ☑ Subscription (opt-in) ☑ Embedded in Garbage Fees  
$2.80 per yard waste sticker or $22.12 per month

**Round Lake Beach**

**Type of Program:** ☑ Seasonal (April to November) ☑ Year-round ✗ Bucket Exchange ✗ Municipal Drop-off  
**Hauler:** Waste Management  
**Acceptable Items:** Fruits and Vegetables (includes unpainted holiday pumpkins); leftovers/kitchen scraps (includes coffee grounds, tea bags & filters); breads, grains, pasta and cereal; meat, poultry, seafood (including shells and bones); dairy and eggs (including shells; no liquids); paper products (includes paper towels, plates, napkins, egg cartons and pizza boxes)  
**Cost to Residents:** ☑ No Cost ☑ Subscription (opt-in) ☑ Embedded in Garbage Fees  
$2.65 per yard waste sticker
**Third Lake**

**Type of Program:**
- ✔️ Seasonal
- ☑️ Year-round
- ☑️ Bucket Exchange
- ☑️ Municipal Drop-off

**Hauler:** Waste Management

**Acceptable Items:** Branches, brush, vines, fruits, vegetables, breads, grains, pasta, cereal, non-liquid dairy products, eggshells, coffee, tea leaves

**Cost to Residents:**
- ☑️ No Cost
- ☑️ Subscription (opt-in)
- ✔️ Embedded in Garbage Fees

**Tower Lakes**

**Type of Program:**
- ✔️ Seasonal (April to November)
- ☑️ Year-round
- ☑️ Bucket Exchange
- ✔️ Municipal Drop-off

Free drop-off of food scraps at Prairieland Lake Barrington facility at 21N988 Pepper Rd

**Hauler:** Prairieland Disposal & Recycling Services

**Acceptable Items:** Pet waste, fruits and vegetables, leftovers, kitchen scraps, coffee grounds and filters, breads, grains, pasta, cereal, meats, poultry, seafood, bones, dairy, eggs, plants and greens

**Cost:**
- ☑️ No Cost
- ✔️ Subscription (opt-in)
- ✔️ Embedded in Garbage Fees

Yard waste costs are $75 annually for 6 bags per week

**Vernon Hills**

**Type of Program:**
- ✔️ Seasonal (April to November)
- ☑️ Year-round
- ☑️ Bucket Exchange
- ✔️ Municipal Drop-off

Free drop-off of food scraps at Prairieland Lake Barrington facility at 21N988 Pepper Rd

**Hauler:** Advanced Disposal

**Acceptable Items:** Fruits and vegetables, leftovers, kitchen scraps, coffee grounds and filters, breads, grains, pasta, cereal, meats, poultry, seafood, bones, dairy, eggs, plants and greens

**Cost:**
- ☑️ No Cost
- ☑️ Subscription (opt-in)
- ✔️ Embedded in Garbage Fees

Food scraps can be added to the yard waste sticker program or subscription option.

**Volo**

**Type of Program:**
- ✔️ Seasonal (April to November)
- ☑️ Year-round
- ☑️ Bucket Exchange
- ☑️ Municipal Drop-off

**Hauler:** Groot

**Acceptable Items:** Fruits, vegetables, breads, grains, pasta, cereal, dairy (no liquids – cottage cheese, sour cream, yogurt, butter), egg shells, coffee grounds, tea leaves, breads, grains, pasta, cereal, herbs, unpainted/undecorated holiday pumpkins

**Cost:**
- ☑️ No Cost
- ✔️ Subscription (opt-in)
- ☑️ Embedded in Garbage Fees
Subscription program includes collection of up to six (6) containers of landscape waste per week for an annual charge of $90.00

**McHenry County**

**City of McHenry**

*Type of Program:* ✅ Seasonal (April to December) ☐ Year-round ☑ Bucket Exchange ☑ Municipal Drop-off

Free drop-off of food scraps at Prairieland Lake Barrington facility at 21N988 Pepper Rd for all City of McHenry residents

*Hauler:* Prairieland Disposal & Recycling Services

*Acceptable Items:* Pet waste, fruits and vegetables, leftovers, kitchen scraps, coffee grounds and filters, breads, grains, pasta, cereal, meats, poultry, seafood, bones, dairy, eggs, plants and greens

*Cost to Residents:* ✅ No Cost ☑ Subscription (opt-in) ☑ Embedded in Garbage Fees

**Crystal Lake**

*Type of Program:* ✅ Seasonal (April to December) ☐ Year-round ☑ Bucket Exchange ☑ Municipal Drop-off

Free drop-off of food scraps at Prairieland Lake Barrington facility at 21N988 Pepper Rd

*Hauler:* Prairieland Disposal & Recycling Services

*Acceptable Items:* Pet waste, fruits and vegetables, leftovers, kitchen scraps, coffee grounds and filters, breads, grains, pasta, cereal, meats, poultry, seafood, bones, dairy, eggs, plants and greens

*Cost to Residents:* ✅ No Cost ☑ Subscription (opt-in) ☑ Embedded in Garbage Fees

**Lake in the Hills**

*Type of Program:* ✅ Seasonal (April to Nov. 30) ☐ Year-round ☑ Bucket Exchange ☑ Municipal Drop-off

*Hauler:* Flood Brothers Disposal & Recycling Systems

*Acceptable Items:* Fruits, vegetables, meat, dairy, poultry, fish, bread, pasta, grains, eggshells, nutshells, coffee grounds, filters, tea bags, food soiled paper and cardboard, uncoated paper plates and cups

*Cost to Residents:* ✅ No Cost ☑ Subscription (opt-in) ☑ Embedded in Garbage Fees

There is no cost if a resident uses their own approved container. There is a fee of $2.25/month rental if using 95-gallon Flood Brothers Yard Waste Cart.