



# Food Scraps Recycling Program

## Dear Resident:

Welcome to our building's new food scraps recycling program.

Beginning \_\_\_\_\_, you can put your food scraps and food-soiled paper in the Green Bin. The Green Bin is located in the recycling area of our building.

## How to recycle your food scraps

Use any container (with a lid, to prevent spills) to collect food scraps in your kitchen, like a yogurt container, ice cream bucket or coffee tin. Regularly empty your kitchen container into our Green Bin. Clean and reuse your container.

Posters in the recycling area show what you can recycle. Food scraps include ALL food waste and leftovers such as meat, cheese, bones, fruit, vegetables, and coffee grounds. You can also add pizza boxes, tea bags, paper napkins, and paper plates. Use newspaper or paper bags to line your kitchen container, which will reduce odour and make it easier to clean.

## Why?

As of 2015, a new region-wide regulation requires that all residential and commercial buildings separate food scraps from regular garbage. Many Metro Vancouver residents and businesses are already doing this.

More than 40% of what we typically throw into the garbage is actually compostable, and should go into the Green Bin. Recycling food scraps will significantly reduce the amount of garbage we send to the landfill, while creating compost for local gardens and farms.

## For more information

If you have questions about our building's food scraps recycling program, please call \_\_\_\_\_ . Our goal is to make this as convenient as possible for all of us.

For more information about the regional ban on food scraps, please visit [metrovancouver.org/foodscraps](http://metrovancouver.org/foodscraps) or call 604-RECYCLE (732-9253).

Sincerely,

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