

# What happens to food scraps

Garbage that contains food scraps rots and creates global warming pollution. More than 40 per cent of what we typically throw away can go into the TBD.

Recycling our food scraps reduces the volume of garbage we produce, cuts down on global warming pollution, and creates a useful composted soil product for local gardens and farms.



### What's the next step?

#### PLEASE PHONE TBD

We will help you introduce this successful food scraps recycling program to your residents and will provide you with everything you need to get started, including kitchen containers, and information materials.

Thank you for joining your neighbours in making Vancouver an even better community by supporting our goal to be the world's greenest city by 2020.

Together we can make Vancouver the greenest city in the world.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:



#### FOR MULTI-UNIT RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS

## Time to recycle your food scraps

In 2015, a Metro Vancouver ban on disposing food scraps and other compostable materials in landfills and incinerators will come into effect across the region. The regional ban will mean that food scraps, such as raw foods, cooked foods, plate scrapings, leftovers, packaged food with packaging removed, meat, bones etc. will no longer be permitted in regular garbage. Multi-unit residential properties (such as apartments and condominiums) and mixed-use (commercial and residential) buildings will be required to have food scraps collection programs in place.

Multi-unit residential properties can prepare by getting food scraps collection programs in place now.

## How the TBD Program works

- We will provide information, posters, and kitchen containers for each suite and help launch food scraps collection in your building.
- Residents collect their own food scraps (both cooked and uncooked) and food-soiled paper (such as paper towels) in kitchen containers then place them in the building's common TBD for removal.
- Your TBD will be emptied (insert collection frequency).
- If your building does not yet haveTBD service, phone us at TBD to order your TBD. We can help you select the appropriate size TBD and help you find a suitable location on your site.



### Get started with help from TBD

#### IT'S EASY, AND WE'LL HELP YOU GET THE PROGRAM STARTED!

We will provide building managers with a tool kit that includes:

- Kitchen containers for residents
- Instructional brochures and tip sheets on how to dispose of food scraps
- Answers to frequently asked questions
- Posters for building common areas that announce the building's participation in the TBD Program

## The role of building managers, property owners or on-site caretakers

#### BUILDING MANAGERS HAVE A KEY ROLE IN PREPARING RESIDENTS FOR THE TBD PROGRAM.

Help your building find success in by:

- Posting TBD Program information in your building's common areas
- Posting TBD Program acceptable/unacceptable items in your building's garbage or other suitable area
- Setting up a time with us to give a lobby talk and distributing kitchen containers and program materials to residents.

Once the TBD Program is up and running in your building, you'll need to set out TBD for collection.

## **TBD Specifics** (eg costs etc.)

## WHAT GOES IN



## Three simple steps



Line your kitchen container with newspaper or a paper bag.



Collect food scraps, plate scrapings and food-soiled paper in your kitchen container. Wrap food scraps in paper to reduce odour and mess.



**Twist Ties, Elastic** 

**Bands & Plastic or** 

Foil Wrappers

Pet Waste & Cat

Litter

**Food Containers** 

Empty the contents of your kitchen container as needed into your building's TBD for (frequency) pickup. Remember, be a good neighbour and wrap your scraps in paper!