



## Accepted items:



Coffee grounds,  
filters & tea leaves



Dairy  
products



Eggs & eggshells



Fruits &  
vegetables



Meat,  
seafood & bones



Moldy or  
rotten food



Nuts & shells



Rice, bread,  
pasta & beans



## Not accepted items:

- Clothing/fabric (including 100% cotton)
- Diapers and personal hygiene products
- Dog, cat or animal waste of any kind
- Grass, leaves, wood or yard waste of any kind
- Glass, metal, plastics and non-compostable items
- Shredded paper and products (like cups, plates, utensils, bags, parchment, wax paper, coffee pods, etc.) that do not have the BPI compostable logo



## Questions?

Visit **FoodScrapsPickup.com**  
or call **651-661-9393**.

Program information is available in  
English, Español, Hmoob, Soomaali,  
Oromoo and ကညီ.



# Food Scraps **PICKUP** Program®

Getting Started



 RAMSEY COUNTY

 Washington  
County

## The Food Scraps Pickup Program is a new way for residents to recycle food scraps from home!

Over 20% of household trash is food scraps, like fruit peels, eggshells, coffee grounds, bones and more. By separating your food scraps, you can help turn them into soil instead of waste.

### Here's how it works:



Order your free annual supply of food scrap bags.



Collect your food scraps in the food scrap bags. Once a week or when the bag is full, tie a knot at the top to close the bag.



Place your food scrap bag inside your trash cart or dumpster for collection.



Done! Your trash is collected as usual, and the food scrap bags are sorted from the trash and composted.



### Sign up

Follow the steps below or call **651-661-9393** to get started today!

#### Step 1

Visit **FoodScrapsPickup.com** and click "Sign up".

#### Step 2

Enter your home address.

#### Step 3

Create your account.

#### Step 4

Select a food scrap bag size and place your order.

#### Step 5

Done! Your food scrap bags will be delivered to your home.

### Resources

Other resources at **FoodScrapsPickup.com**

- Instructional videos
- Frequently asked questions
- Accepted and not accepted items
- Collection and storage tips
- Information and materials in English, Español, Hmoob, Soomaali, Oromoo and ကဉ်



### Collection tips!

**There are many right ways to collect food scraps! Find the collection method that works best for you.**

#### Collection containers.

- Use a container with a lid.
- Examples: a compost caddy, ice cream bucket, plastic tub or small trash can.

#### Storing your food scraps.

- Find a location that is convenient.
- Examples: on your countertop, under your sink, in your refrigerator or freezer or in your garage.
- Drain excess liquids from your food scraps before recycling them to avoid bag leakage.



#### Taking out your food scrap bags.

- Leave a little extra space in your food scrap bag so there is room to tie a knot at the top to close the bag.
- Place your food scrap bags directly inside your trash cart or dumpster.

**DO NOT** place your food scrap bags:

- In your recycling cart.
- On top of or next to your trash cart or dumpster.
- Inside of a regular trash bag.