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.

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Food Scraps PICKUP Program®

Getting Started



RAMSEY COUNTY | Washington County | RAMSEY/WASHINGTON RECYCLING & ENERGY

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

28% of household trash is food scraps, like fruit peels, eggshells, coffee grounds 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. At least once a week, 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.

**Participants can receive up to two free orders of 60 food scrap bags per calendar year. Additional bags are available for purchase.*



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 ကညီ

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.

