## MASHPEE FOOD WASTE COMPOSTING



The Town, working with Compost with Me\*, is providing collection of food waste for composting for Mashpee residents at the Transfer Station. Food waste comprises over 20% of the solid waste stream. Removing food scraps from your trash will save money

for the Town and will turn these materials into a usable product - nutrient-rich compost.

Residents interested in participating may purchase a kitchen scrap bucket from the DPW at 350 Meetinghouse Road for \$5 (FREE for the first 250 residents) <u>OR</u> can use their own container. Food scraps from the bucket/container should be emptied in the larger barrel in the Food Waste Collection shed at the Transfer Station. Please do not place bags, plastics or other items not listed below in the barrels.

## The following Materials can be included in the food waste collection:

- All Vegetable & Fruit Waste
- Baked Goods
- Bones
- Coffee Grounds & Coffee Filters
- Corn Cobs and Husks
- Dairy Products
- Egg Shells
- Fish
- Grains (e.g. rice, oats, barley)
- Meat

- Nut Shells (peanut, pistachio, NOT Walnut)
- Paper Napkins
- Pasta
- Pizza Boxes (flatten & leave beside the barrel)
- Pumpkin Seeds & Sunflower Seeds
- Shellfish and Shells
- Tea Bags
- Tofu and Soy Milk

## Please Do NOT include these Materials:

- Grease, Fat, or Oil
- Walnut Shells, which may be toxic to some plants and animals
- Diseased Plants
- Human or Pet Waste
- Kitty Litter

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<sup>\*</sup> Compost with Me operates Bunker Tree Farm in West Falmouth.