

## It's time to 'wake up" your compost

International Compost Awareness Week (May 1-7) is the ideal time for Edmontonians to revitalize their gardens and cut down on their waste. Composting is a fun way to reduce household waste by turning it into a valuable soil enhancement.

The City of Edmonton is offering the following opportunities to help residents compost:

- Take a workshop or join our experts for a compost coffee
- break during International Compost Awareness Week to chat about all things compost.

  Ask the Compost Doctor anything you want to know about compost by calling 780-496-5526 or email <a href="mailto:compost@edmonton.ca">compost@edmonton.ca</a>.

  Subscribe to <a href="mailto:Keep Composting">Keep Composting</a>, an e-newsletter sent four times a year, with composting tips and
- answers to frequently asked questions.

Currently, close to 30 per cent of single-family households in Edmonton practice backyard composting. The City also composts the organic portion of all household waste collected. Composting reduces greenhouse gas emissions, conserves water, and reduces the need for chemical fertilizers

To learn more about composting or to register for workshops, go to  $\underline{\text{edmonton.ca/compost}} \text{ or call 311}.$ 

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