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## Town of Charlton, Massachusetts Compost Bin Program Press Release **COMPOSTING IS EASY AND HELPS REDUCE GREENHOUSE GASES**

Composting is a great way to recycle our organic “waste” into a beneficial soil amendment for our yards and gardens. Composting at home can also help reduce methane production at landfills. Using the compost in our landscapes helps store carbon in the soil instead of releasing it to the atmosphere.

You can reduce your trash by 50 percent or more by composting leaves, grass clippings, garden debris, fruit peels, vegetable scraps, tea bags, coffee grounds, egg shells, paper towels, napkins and even paper bags.

It’s easy to make compost, and the Town of Charlton makes it even easier by offering kitchen composting bins for the discounted price of **\$24.99**. **To obtain a discounted compost bin, you may contact the Town of Charlton Recycling Committee by emailing [recycling@townofcharlton.net](mailto:recycling@townofcharlton.net) or calling Roland Jackson at 508-248-2095 or stop by the Town Hall Selectmen’s Office.** Act now, supplies are limited!

The one gallon Ceramic Kitchen Compost Bin with Filter and compostable liners offer you an easy way to make a big difference! Purge your kitchen of plastic with our stylish composter. The bin includes a filter capable of absorbing odors for six months. Made from nontoxic earth ware, this sturdy bin holds food scraps until they’re transferred to an outdoor compost area. The Kitchen Compost Bin makes an attractive addition to any countertop, or a thoughtful gift for an environmentally conscious friend. Natural Home brand is proud to introduce its line of ceramic kitchenware – a durable, nontoxic alternative to chemical-based plastics. It is dishwasher safe and BPA free.

Compost, known as "black gold" to gardeners, replenishes nutrients in the soil, helps retain moisture, makes the soil easy to work, and helps plants resist disease. Compost makes plants healthy so they can overcome adverse conditions without pesticides or chemical fertilizers.



The composters are made available through grant funding by the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection. Proceeds will go towards the Town of Charlton’s Recycling Program.

**COMPOSTERS WILL BE AVAILABLE @ THE EARTH DAY FESTIVAL! APRIL 30 ON THE TOWN COMMON! RAFFLES! WIN A DUAL COMPOSTER!**

Check website for other events [www.townofcharlton.net/earthdaycom.htm](http://www.townofcharlton.net/earthdaycom.htm) (when updated!)

