

REGENERATING SOIL...
for thy self...and for thy neighbor...



THE SOIL FARMER

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LEVEL 2 COMPOST FOR THY NEIGHBORS

LEVEL 1 COMPOST FOR THY SELF

We'll deliver clean, source separated foodscraps and mulch to your home or farm and also provide ongoing training so you can compost successfully. You keep the finished compost.

Earn an income by composting for your neighbors and becoming a neighborhood compost hub in your community.



FAQ

1. HOW DO I START?

You can only apply for Soil Farmer after completing Neighborhood Composting 101 which is a blended course comprising online and in-person training. After completing the course send us an email at info@food2soil.net indicating your interest to continue on to the Soil Farmer program. We will schedule you for a 4 week apprenticeship where you will assist a compost hub manager. Upon successful completion of the apprenticeship you will be invited to review and sign the Soil Farmer Agreement. You can then start composting as Soil Farmer at Level 1.

2. WHAT ONGOING TRAINING, SUPPORT AND HAND HOLDING CAN I EXPECT?

All participants are required to go through Neighborhood Composting 101. Upon acceptance into the Soil Farmer program you will be connected with a mentor who will check in with you periodically and you will also be able to reach out to them for guidance. We will also ensure that you always have an adequate supply of mulch (carbon) to compost the foodscrap you receive every week.

3. WHAT IS THE MINIMUM QUANTITY OF SCRAPS I HAVE TO TAKE?

To justify the cost of transportation we require that you process a minimum of 32 gallons of foodscrap every week. This applies to both Level 1 and Level 2.

4. WHAT IS THE COMPOST SETUP REQUIRED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAM? HOW MUCH DOES IT COST?

At Level 1 you are responsible for providing your own compost setup and garden tools such as a pitchfork, shovel and wheelbarrow. To move up to Level 2 you will need to have a setup that allows you to monitor batch activity and temperatures to satisfy Food2Soil's requirement to qualify as a neighborhood compost hub.

5. I HAVE BEEN A BACKYARD COMPOSTER FOR YEARS. CAN I START ACCEPTING SCRAPS FROM NEIGHBORS RIGHT AWAY?

We understand that composting is a natural process and that there are many knowledgeable and experienced backyard composters in our community. Food2Soil is about building a network of decentralized compost hubs that weave back the culture of composting into our communities. We therefore want to make sure that you are completely ready for the work, scraps and community attention that will come with your participation in the Soil Farmer program. We ask that you compost at Level 1 for at least six months, maintain detailed tracking sheets and demonstrate discipline and commitment to this mission before moving to Level 2.

6. DO I HAVE TO BE HOME WHEN YOU DROP OFF SCRAPS?

No. We will dropoff cart(s) every week at a mutually agreed location on your property. Note that some of our scraps come in plastic bags to limit cross contamination, spills and messes.

7. WHAT HAPPENS WHEN I GO ON VACATION?

You can cancel delivery by giving us a one week notice.

8. WHAT TYPE OF SCRAPS CAN I EXPECT?

Scraps will consist of pre-consumer, vegetative waste including all parts of fruits and vegetables, cooked and uncooked grain based items such as flour, pasta and bread, coffee grounds, tea and egg shells.

9. WHAT ARE THE OTHER BENEFITS OF PARTICIPATING IN THIS PROGRAM?

We will keep track of the waste diversion and carbon sequestration impacts achieved through your participation. You will be part of a growing tribe of gardeners and farmers who understand the value of regenerating soil and how it impacts the health and wellness of our communities.

10. WILL YOU REQUIRE ME TO MOVE UP LEVELS?

No. We appreciate you taking the first step towards regenerating soil for your backyard. We will leave it to you to decide if you want to move up to Level 2 and it is completely your decision. We only want to make sure we support you adequately should you be ready to move up.