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New composting program at the Transfer Station

SUMMIT, N.J., May 18, 2022 – The City of Summit is beginning a six-month pilot program for household food waste composting at the Municipal Transfer Station on Wednesday, June 1, 2022.

Residents with a disposal permit will now be able to bring food scraps and other items to the Transfer Station. The new composting area will be in a separate location adjacent to the current composting area for leaves, grass clippings, and garden trimmings on the lower level of the Transfer Station. The new program will accept the following items:

- Fruit and vegetables
- Cooked, baked, and other prepared foods
- Cereal, flour, grains, pasta, and rice
- Spoiled and expired food
- Eggs and eggshells
- Dairy products
- Meat, fish, bones, seafood shells
- Nuts, seeds, pits, and shells
- Coffee grounds, filters, and tea bags
- Pet food

“We are thrilled about this new program at the Transfer Station,” explains Superintendent of Public Works Michael Caputo. “The City of Summit is always looking to make sustainability improvements in all departments and expanding our composting program has been an idea we have had for quite some time now. We encourage residents to take advantage of it and to let us know their thoughts on the program.”

The program will run on a trial basis for six months, after which time Division of Public Works staff will evaluate the program to decide whether to make it permanent.

For more information, please visit www.cityofsummit.org/compost or contact the Department of Community Services at summitDCS@cityofsummit.org.

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