Make Compost, Not Trash. Use your building's brown bin!

Using your brown bin is easy and helps make the city a cleaner place. DSNY turns your food scraps into compost, and gives it back to New Yorkers for free!

Just three simple steps!







TENANTS: Collect food scraps, food-soiled paper and dead plants in any container or bag in your home.

- Line your container with any bag.
- Clean your containers as needed. DSNY-provided kitchen container is dishwasher safe.
- Store scraps in the freezer to prevent odors.

TENANTS: Empty food waste into your building's brown bin.

- Drop your loose or bagged food waste into your brown bin.
- Close and latch the brown bin after each use.

BUILDING STAFF: Line your brown bin with a bag.

Clean your bins and containers as needed.

BUILDING STAFF: Set your brown bin at the curb according to your collection schedule.

- Knot your liner shut inside the brown bin.
- Set out leaves and yard waste in paper bags or unlined bins.
 Small amounts are okay in brown bin.
- Bundle twigs with twine.
- Check your collection schedule at nyc.gov/curbsidecomposting or call 311.



Put items like these in your brown bin.

Food Scraps fruit, vegetables, meat, bones, dairy, prepared food



Metal, Glass, Plastic, Cartons, Clean Paper + Cardboard Trash: pet waste, medical waste, diapers, hygiene and foam products

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