

Being a Basic Participant with Back2Earth

Composting is not rocket science, but there are definitely ways for it to go wrong. Joining Back2Earth will give you everything you need to compost your organic waste safely, cleanly, and confidently. Learn to nail the basics and support the process with fellow composters.

Sorting & Adding Material

A printed guide for your kitchen will tell you what you can and cannot send to the compost pile and a convenient kitchen pail will hold it for you while you're prepping produce or cleaning up dishes. Once your pail is full, bring it to the compost area and another guide will show you each step of using the equipment and covering your materials to make it smell and pest free. All you need to do is follow along, and ask if you have questions!

Be Sharp & Communicative

To help keep the process functioning well for everyone, an attentive eye and a readiness to reach out will help prevent small issues from becoming big ones. Making sure the equipment is maintained, locks and tools are replaced and secured, the compost is contaminant-free, and that exceptions are reported are essential to a successful outcome. Letting any of these things wander too far may seem small but could result in serious problems for the whole operation.

Going the Extra Mile

If you're ready for a little more engagement, you can sign up to be a Turner and help mix the compost, or receive the advanced compost training to be eligible to be a Site Lead. Even talking to your Turners and Site Lead to see if they need help or have suggestions will go a long way in making the program work well for everyone.