

FREE Home Compost Workshops Scheduled



The [Lancaster County Solid Waste Management Authority](#) (LCSWMA) is partnering with municipalities, community organizations and [Penn State Master Gardeners of Lancaster County](#) to conduct home compost workshops where residents will learn how to recycle organic waste from their kitchens and gardens instead of putting it in the trash. Composting is an excellent way to recycle vegetable scraps, grass clippings, leaves, and other organic materials and turn them into a useful and valuable soil amendment.

Workshop attendees will also learn how to build effective, yet inexpensive home compost bins to meet their needs. Each household in attendance will be eligible to receive a free kitchen scrap collection bucket courtesy of LCSWMA.

Lancaster County residents are invited to attend any one of the home compost workshops scheduled for this year. If required, residents should pre-register by no later than Friday at noon prior to the workshop they'll be attending.

- **April 16** at the [East Donegal Township](#) Municipal Building located at 190 Rock Point Road, Marietta. The workshop is from 10:00 am to 11:00 am. No fee is required, but pre-registration is recommended. To pre-register or for more information, please contact the East Donegal Township Recycling Coordinator at (717) 426-3167 or email vicki@eastdonegaltwp.com.
- **April 20** at the [City of Lancaster Recycling Facility](#) located at 850 New Holland Avenue, Lancaster. The workshop is from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm. No fee is required, but pre-registration is recommended. To pre-register or for more information, please contact the City of Lancaster Solid Waste and Recycling Manager at (717) 291-4762 or email tbreisen@cityoflancasterpa.com.
- **May 7** at the [East Cocalico Township](#) Municipal Building located at 100 Hill Road, Denver. The workshop is from 10:00 am to 11:00 am. No fee is required, but pre-registration is recommended. To pre-register or for more information, please contact the East Cocalico Township Recycling Coordinator at (717) 336-1720 or email Recycling_Officer@eastcocalicotownship.com.
- **May 21** at the [Mount Joy Borough](#) Little Chiques Park located at 229 Park Avenue, Mount Joy. The workshop is from 10:00 am to 11:00 am. No fee is required, but pre-registration is recommended. To pre-register or for more information, please contact the Mount Joy Borough Recycling Coordinator at (717) 653-2300 or email andrea@mountjoypa.org.
- **June 4** at the [East Petersburg Community Center](#) during the Community Yard Sale. The Park is located along Pine Street, East Petersburg. The workshop is from 10:00 am to 11:00 am. No fee is required, but pre-registration is recommended. To pre-register or for more information, please contact the East Petersburg Borough Recycling Coordinator at (717) 569-9282 or email kstrayer@eastpetersburgborough.org.

- **June 22** at the [Chiques Watershed Alliance](#) Watershed Expo at the Lancaster Liederkrantz located at 722 South Chiques Road, Manheim. The event is from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. No fee or registration is required. This family event includes presenters from the Lancaster Environmental Center, Lancaster Conservation District, native plant nurseries, PA Fish and Boat Commission, Lancaster Farmland Trust, Lancaster Conservancy and others.
- **October 29** at the [Providence Township](#) Municipal Office located at 200 Mt. Airy Road, New Providence. The workshop is from 10:00 am to 11:00 am. A brief presentation on rain barrels will follow until about 11:15 am. No fee for either workshop is required and residents are encouraged to attend both, but pre-registration is recommended. To pre-register or for more information, please contact the Providence Township Recycling Coordinator at (717) 786-6775 or email secretary@providencetownship.com.