



December 2023

SAVE OUR COMPOST!

Planned budget cuts will eliminate the Department of Sanitation funding for NYC Compost Project, including the program hosted by the New York Botanical Garden, by January 1, 2024. These cuts would be devastating to people across the city who participate in local processing, free compost distribution, compost education such as the Master Composter Certification Course, and more.

Community composting is critical to building waste equity and environmental justice in the Bronx and across NYC, and these programs



must remain funded if we are to work towards a truly sustainable city.

You can **sign the petition** <u>here</u> to demand that Mayor Adams and the New York City Council restore this funding.

COMPOST WORKSHOPS

Reaching and Teaching Others *Monday, December 4* • 6–8 *p.m.*

Virtual

Find out about all the different educational resources you can use and outreach efforts you can pursue to help grow participation in composting in NYC. To register, <u>click here</u>.

Soil and Decomposition Science

Saturday, December 9 • 10 a.m.–12 p.m. Virtual

Learn the basics of how compost can be used to create healthier soil. To register, <u>click here</u>.



To register for other workshops, go to: https://www.makecompost.nyc/workshops

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The NYC Compost Project works to rebuild NYC's soils by providing New Yorkers with the knowledge, skills, and opportunities they need to make and use compost locally. NYC Compost Project programs are implemented by DSNY-funded teams at seven host organizations, including The New York Botanical Garden. For more information on composting in the Bronx, call our helpline at 718.817.8543 or visit <u>nybg.org/compost</u>.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Street Tree Care at Karol's Community Farm

Friday, December 1 • 11 a.m.–1 p.m. Karol's Community Farm • Havemeyer & Lacombe Ave

Join the Karol's Farm crew and Castle Hill Houses community-members to care for the street trees on Lacombe Avenue! Volunteers will collect debris, weed tree beds, apply mulch, plant daffodils, and construct tree bed guards. This workday will coincide with an end-of-season community harvest and produce distribution. To register, <u>click here.</u>



Street Tree Care on Mosholu Parkway

Saturday, December 9 • 12:30–2:30 p.m. 100 W Mosholu Parkway, between Gun Hill Rd & Jerome Ave

Care for the trees of Mosholu Parkway with the James Baldwin Outdoor Learning Collective, Bronx Green-Up, The NYC Compost Project, and NYC Parks! To register, email bronxgreenup@nybg.org.

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