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Lake Forest Launches New Curbside Compost Collection Service

Lake Forest, Illinois – The City of Lake Forest is partnering with WasteNot Compost to provide a new voluntary curbside compost collection service for all residential properties within City boundaries.

The year-round service makes composting more accessible and convenient for Lake Forest residents. Participating residents receive an airtight 5-gallon compost receptacle which accepts a wide variety of compostables including all food waste, 100% paper products, certified compostable products, and more. Depending on needs, a weekly or bi-weekly service is offered. Additionally, WasteNot will use a "receptacle swap" strategy, which includes replacing used receptacles with a new, clean sanitized container each service.

"As a community that prides itself on environmental stewardship and sustainability, we are thrilled to take another significant step towards a greener future" said Eileen Looby Weber, Fourth Ward Alderman and Chairman of the City's Environmental Sustainability Committee. "This collaboration marks a major step in our ongoing efforts to reduce waste, promote responsible consumption, and minimize our greenhouse gas emissions."

Residents can pre-register for WasteNot's curbside compost collection service through Friday, September 15. An exclusive Lake Forest rate for residential service starts at \$14/month, with the service officially starting Tuesday, September 19, 2023. Residents can register anytime on WasteNot's website, with no long-term commitments or cancellation fees.

"The City of Lake Forest looks forward in working closely with WasteNot Compost, and we encourage all our residents to embrace this opportunity to make a positive impact on our City and planet." added Weber.

The service will also be offered to commercial businesses, schools, and non-profits in Lake Forest. Learn more about the service and how to register at cityoflakeforest.com/composting.

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