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### **Get the Dirt on Backyard Composting**

*Free Program Helps Residents with Backyard Composting*

**HAMILTON COUNTY, Ohio** – Hamilton County Recycling and Solid Waste District is offering free, one-hour programs for residents to Get the Dirt on Backyard Composting.

During this one-hour program, attendees will learn how to balance a compost bin, what materials are compostable and where to purchase a compost bin. Hamilton County residents will receive a free kitchen collector, a "Simple Guide to Composting in Your Backyard," an I ♥ Compost magnet, and a \$20 coupon toward the purchase of a compost bin.

"We launched this program last year and more than 500 residents wanted to learn about backyard composting," said Michelle Balz, community outreach coordinator for Hamilton County Recycling and Solid Waste District. "Backyard composting is an easy way to reduce waste from your kitchen and yard while also producing a valuable soil amendment."

**Registration is required and open only to Hamilton County residents.** To register, call 513-946-7734 or email [susan.schumacher@hamilton-co.org](mailto:susan.schumacher@hamilton-co.org).

Get the Dirt on Backyard Composting are in the evening at multiple locations across Hamilton County:

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Location</b>
March 6	7:00 p.m.	Springdale
March 18	6:30 p.m.	St. Bernard
March 27	7:00 p.m.	Mt. Healthy
April 2	7:30 p.m.	Wyoming
April 15	6:30 p.m.	Westwood
April 23	6:30 p.m.	Madeira
May 9	6:30 p.m.	Harrison
May 14	6:00 p.m.	Amberley Village

For more information, please call the Recycling Hotline at 946-7766, visit [www.HamiltonCountyRecycles.org](http://www.HamiltonCountyRecycles.org), or interact with us on [Twitter](https://twitter.com/HamCoRecycling) (@HamCoRecycling) and [Facebook](https://www.Facebook.com/HamiltonCountyRecycling) (www.Facebook.com/HamiltonCountyRecycling).

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