

# WEEKLY FOOD SCRAPS RECOVERY SERVICE



#### YOUR KERBSIDE SERVICE IS ABOUT TO EXPAND

Your household has been selected to take part in our weekly food scraps recovery trial. And this brochure outlines everything you need to know to become a Food Scraps Champion. By now you should have received your free food scraps tub, which we'll be collecting from your front kerb every Tuesday morning alongside your other bins. By participating you'll be helping:

- the environment by reducing the amount of waste going to landfill (when food goes to landfill it generates methane, a potent greenhouse gas).
- to build a local network of Food Scraps Champions by sharing your ideas and experiences through forums and groups.
- develop a best practice program that can be expanded to more households in the Yarra community.

#### HAVE YOUR SAY

Visit www.yoursayyarra.com.au/food-scraps to take our 3-minute project survey.

#### SHARE YOUR SUCCESS

We're looking for people to share their food waste hints, tips and successes with the community.

Take a photo of your food scraps success and we'll share it through our webpage and social media channels. It's a great way to inspire others to reduce their waste and make a real difference for the environment.

Tag us on Instagram (@foodknowhow) or Facebook (@foodknowhow), or email your pictures or video links to us at info@yarracity.vic.gov.au (subject line: Food Know How).

You can also contact our Waste Minimisation team on 9205 5555 if you have any questions.







#### WE DO GO IN YOUR BIN

- fruit and vegetable scraps
- bread, rice and pasta
- seafood and meat (including small bones)
- dairy and eggs (including shells)
- teabags and coffee ground





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### THREE STEPS TO BECOMING A FOOD SCRAPS CHAMPION

We can help with all three steps! Visit **foodknowhow.yarracity.vic.gov.au** to learn more.

- Reduce waste by purchasing and preparing the right amount of food for your household.
- Find the right composting solution for your household.
- Put any remaining food scraps in your new food waste collection tub to be collected each Tuesday.

### YOUR QUESTIONS ANSWERED

### WHAT CAN I PUT IN THE TUB?

See opposite page.

### WHEN WILL MY TUB BE COLLECTED?

Your tub will be collected from your front kerb every Tuesday alongside your other bins, beginning on 14 November 2017.

### WHAT IF I LIVE IN AN APARTMENT?

In place of individual tubs, your building will receive a new communal bin to empty food scraps into.

### HOW LONG WILL THE TRIAL RUN FOR?

Collection is expected to continue until at least December 2018. Information gathered will inform the next phase, which may involve expanding to more households.

## WHAT PROPERTIES ARE PARTICIPATING?

The first phase of the trial involves 400 households (200 single dwellings and 200 units) in Abbotsford.

# WHAT HAPPENS TO MY FOOD WASTE AFTER IT IS COLLECTED?

We have partnered with a local composting facility to recycle food scraps into compost, a high quality resource used by local farmers to grow healthy and delicious food.

#### WHAT HAPPENS IF MY TUB GETS A 'CONTAMINATED' STICKER?

Tub loads containing contaminated materials cannot be recycled into compost. If your tub has received a contamination sticker please empty it into your rubbish bin. We will contact you shortly to offer guidance.

#### HOW DO I STOP MY TUB OR KITCHEN CADDY FROM SMELLING?

Keep odours in check by rinsing your tub after each collection and sprinkling a little bicarbonate of soda into your tub with each day's food scraps.

## HOW DO I ORDER A REPLACEMENT TUB?

Please email us at info@yarracity.vic.gov.au (subject line: Request New Food Scraps Tub).







## Hey kids! Get creative with our colour-in picture. Send it in to us and we'll give you some fun stickers!

Parents, please email your child's coloured-in page to info@yarracity.vic.gov.au (subject line: Food Know How) and we'll feature it on our website and social media pages.

Remember to include:

- Your postal address (so we can send you some fun stickers).
- permission for us to use your child's first name.

