

# REDUCE-REUSE-RECYCLE!

## Chaparral Pointe Adult Village

### Organic Compost Information

Hello Residents,

Many of you will have heard the City of Calgary advertisements the past few months regarding business and condo organics collection which must be started this year. We have a contractor in place to collect our organic compost, starting in June.

You may be wondering how this will affect you. What is required by the city is that you start collecting compostables from your home such as table scraps, including meat and bones. A list of acceptable organic compostable items is posted on the back of this sheet. We will have a 64-gallon collection bin set up in each of the garbage buildings for your convenience. Organics can be collected in your home in something like an ice cream bucket with a lid to keep the smell down. 'Kitchen catchers' are for sale for less than \$10 in places like London Drugs, Lowe's, etc. Compostable bags are available for purchase at most grocery stores, and they can prove useful in keeping your collection container clean. Other options for bin liners are newspaper or ordinary brown paper bags. Grocery bags, plastic bags of any kind, and biodegradable bags are not compostable. There will be a sample of a green compostable bag attached to the organics bin in each shed as well as the list of items that can be organically composted. You can dump your organics in the bin each week, to be collected on a set day (yet to be determined) each week.

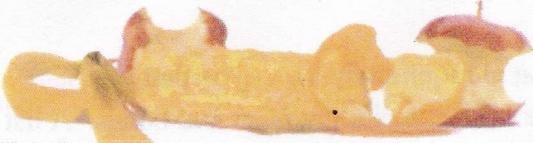
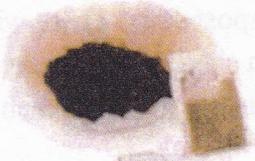
One message to note is that many coffee pods are not compostable although the coffee inside them is. Some compostable pods are available in the stores – just read the labels.

City staff will be going door-to-door in our complex the evening of May 31 to provide more information for you. Please open your door to them.

**Questions? Please call 311 or check the website [calgary.ca/whatgoeswhere](http://calgary.ca/whatgoeswhere)**

## 2. What – Ensure you accept the right materials

Your program must accept the following:

<b>All food (raw and cooked)</b>	
<p>Plate scrapings</p> 	<p>Eggshells and dairy products</p> 
<p>Meat, fish, shellfish and bones</p> 	<p>Jams, sauces, salad dressings and cooking oil</p> 
<p>Fruits and vegetables</p> 	<p>Pastries, cookies, cakes and muffins</p> 
<p>Bread, noodles, rice, beans and grains</p> 	<p>Nuts, seeds, chips, popcorn and candy</p> 
<p><b>Food soiled paper</b></p> <p>Paper plates and napkins</p> 	<p>Coffee filters and tea bags</p> 
<p><b>Yard waste</b></p> <p>Leaves</p> 	<p>Plants and weeds</p> 
	