

## Make the most of your Kitchen Pail!



**READY...** Place food scraps and food-soiled paper in your kitchen pail. Lining your pail with newspaper or paper bags will help keep it clean. **PLEASE DO NOT USE PLASTIC BAGS.**



**SET...** Empty your kitchen pail into your organics cart. Food scraps, paper pail liners, pizza boxes AND yard trimmings all belong in your green cart!



**GO!** Roll your green organics cart out to the curb for weekly collection.



## A simple guide for what goes in the pail...

### YES

- fruits & vegetables including peels, pits & rinds
- bread, pasta & other grains
- dairy products & egg shells
- tea bags, coffee grounds & filters
- meat & bones
- food soiled paper including plates, napkins & cups
- wooden chopsticks

### NO

- plastic
- glass
- metal
- styrofoam
- foil/aluminum
- diapers, pet waste/litter



*These items don't fit in the pail but DO belong in the green organics cart: pizza boxes & paper takeout containers.*



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## *Food Scrap Facts:*

- Food scraps are a big part of what currently makes up our garbage.
- Food scraps and food-soiled paper can easily be separated from garbage.
- Food scraps combined with yard trimmings can be processed into a rich soil amendment.



Choosing to place organics in the green cart instead of in the garbage makes a big difference. Organic materials that eventually breakdown in a landfill environment release methane, a gas that can accelerate climate change. At a composting facility, organic materials breakdown faster and aerobically, releasing the less harmful gas carbon dioxide.



Mission Trail Waste System is aiming for zero waste. Help us hit the target by reducing waste and making the most of our convenient recycling and organics programs.

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