

Where does ACI take the Organics collected from the green carts and bins?



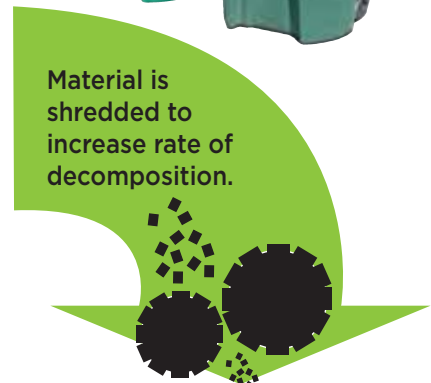
# What happens to your Organics?



Trucks pick up and transport Organics to Compost Facility.



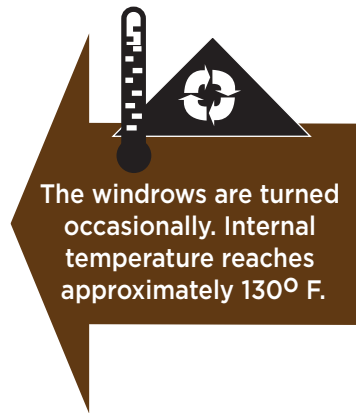
Material is sorted and screened for contaminants.



Material is shredded to increase rate of decomposition.



After the material is cured and screened, the result is a nutrient-rich compost used in farming, gardening and landscaping.



The windrows are turned occasionally. Internal temperature reaches approximately 130° F.



Material is moved into long piles or "windrows."



Material is mixed equally between woody and high nitrogen materials like food scraps.

## DID YOU KNOW?

- Compost conserves water by increasing the water holding capacity of soil.
- Compost stabilizes soil pH and reduces soil erosion and runoff.

Sources: <http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/publications/Documents/1377%5C2011013.pdf>  
<http://compostingcouncil.org/wp/wp-content/uploads/2010/09/Compost-and-Its-Benefits.pdf>  
<http://www2.epa.gov/sustainable-management-food/reducing-impact-wasted-food-feeding-soil-and-composting#benefits>



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