

Instructions for Composting Waste

Set up ONE waste disposal area for your entire event. This should include a small container for trash (the least amount of waste you should have), a blue recycling bin, and a large trash can lined with two (2) compostable liners for compost (this prevents leaking).

Compostable liners are located in a brown paper shopping bag in one of the 2 upper cabinets in the kitchen that contain UUCSS's supply of compostable disposables.

Place signs behind each container indicating what goes in it. You can find links to signs on the Green Sanctuary page on the church web site <http://uucss.org/green/>. For the compost sign, you might always want to attach samples of items that can be composted (see list below).

Ensure someone staffs the waste disposal area *during the entire event* to ensure waste is disposed of in the proper containers, especially compost. Examples of compostable items include:

All food	Bowls*
Napkins*	Plates*
Cutlery*	Cups*

*Please ensure these are UUCSS-provided items. **Plastic** cups and cutlery are not compostable, but our cups and cutlery, which may look plastic, are actually compostable.

At the end of the event, deposit the compost and the liners in the trash dumpster UNLESS you (1) have a composting facility to take the compost to or (2) you have curbside compost at your home (as many residents of Takoma Park do).

If you are a resident of Takoma Park and have curbside composting, the amount of compost generated at UUCSS event will most likely be too large to fit in your curbside bin, so take the compost waste, place it in a regular trash can WITH NO TRASH, and label the container COMPOST and place it curbside on your composting day.

Questions? Call Lori Hill at 301.502.1366.