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Garbage to Garden launches compost dropoff program in Scarborough

(PORTLAND, Maine) — In coordination with the town of Scarborough <u>Garbage to Garden</u> has begun accepting organic material from households in Scarborough on May 1, at three Scarborough locations. Dropping off material at the following locations is free to Scarborough residents.

Wal-Mart - 500 Gallery Boulevard Maine Veteran's Home - 290 US Rt.1 Pine Tree Waste - 87 Pleasant Hill Road

Scarborough is the 9th town in Southern Maine to be provided composting service by Garbage to Garden, who currently provides subscription based curbside composting in Brunswick, Portland, South Portland, Cape Elizabeth, Westbrook, Yarmouth, Falmouth and Cumberland.

Garbage to Garden President and Founder Tyler Frank, "We are excited to partner with the town of Scarborough to provide residents the option to compost at one of three compost dropoff kiosks. Our mission is to get everyone to compost and we're another town closer to that goal."

Founded in 2012, Garbage to Garden, Portland, ME's original curbside composting program, continues to spearhead efforts to keep food waste out of landfills to mitigate the effects of climate change and regenerate local soils.

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About Garbage to Garden

Garbage to Garden has been helping schools, businesses, events and people at home compost in Southern Maine since 2012. Founded by Tyler Frank, Garbage to Garden services 9 Portland area towns including Portland, South Portland, Cape Elizabeth, Scarborough, Westbrook, Cumberland, Yarmouth, Falmouth and Brunswick, diverting up to 10 tons of organic material a day from landfills.

For \$14 a month, once a week on garbage day, Garbage to Garden swaps buckets of food scraps at the curb for a fresh, clean Garbage to Garden bucket - and, if requested, a bag of compost at no extra cost. Garbage to Garden partners with local nonprofits to provide volunteers opportunities to serve the community in exchange for free service.

For more information on Garbage to Garden, please visit <u>garbagetogarden.org</u>. Follow and like on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.