

COMPOST CREW



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ABOUT COMPOST CREW

Compost Crew is a Rockville-based business that diverts tens of thousands of tons of organic waste from landfills, each year.

We haul organic waste from nearly 20,000 residents and businesses across the DMV.

We offer a variety of services including weekly curbside pick-up, community programs, drop-off locations, roll-off and operating local composting sites.



"our mission is to protect the planet, reduce waste and build community wealth. we are committed to recovering compostable waste, reducing dependence on landfills and incinerators, and revitalizing our soils. we will never compromise on that commitment."



DISTRIBUTED COMPOSTING



Compost Crew establishes food scrap recycling programs for communities, municipalities and businesses, with a focus on decentralized composting to support local food production and soil health.



COLLECTIONS: COLLEGE PARK



- Built on an existing drop off program by rolling out curbside collection in November 2022
- Started with ~190 homes; has grown to nearly 400
- Diverted 60K pounds of food scraps in the first 9 months



“We have been pleased to see this partnership increase the amount of food waste that is being diverted from the landfill.””

- Robert Marsili, College Park DPW Director



COLLECTIONS: ALEXANDRIA

- After an earlier test run, Alexandria began its curbside collection program in April 2023
- Launched with 364 homes & has grown to 900+ today
- First six months is fully-subsidized, then resident assumes responsibility for monthly fees



“This pilot program will expose more residents to the benefits of composting, helping pave the way for a greener and more sustainable Alexandria.”

- Mayor Justin Wilson



PROCESSING: FAIRFAX COUNTY



- Our first Compost Outpost (processing site) in partnership with local government
- Built at the County transfer station, taking advantage of space & existing food scrap drop-off location
- Processing 1 ton a week in this small-scale pilot project



“This lets us test... a system where we remove food scraps and plant materials from the waste stream and turn them into... a benefit to the community.”

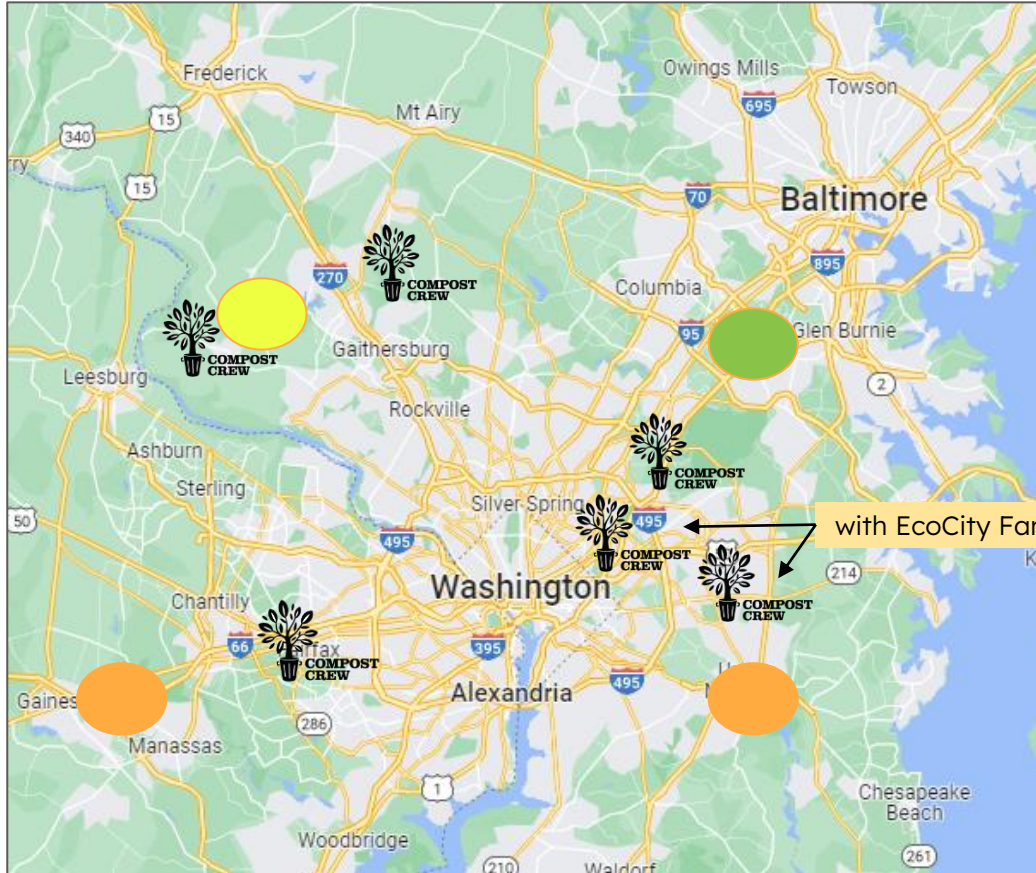
- Matt Adams, Fairfax County, Director SWMP



NEXT UP: DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA



FOOD WASTE INFRASTRUCTURE in metro region



Compost Crew
site under
development



Compost
Outpost®



Compost
Facilities



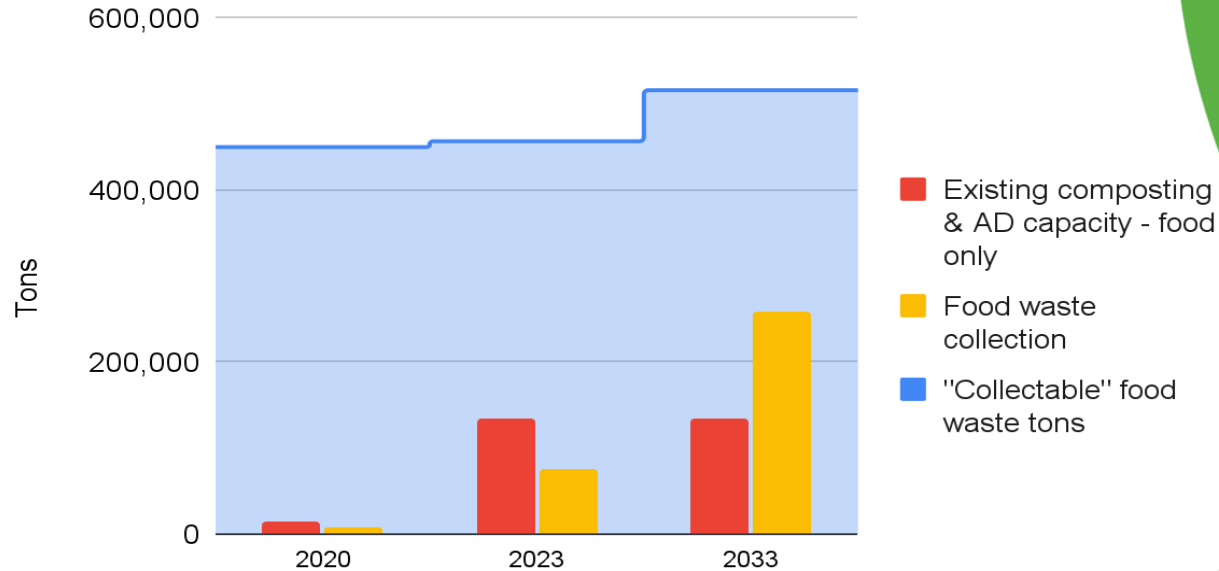
Anaerobic
Digester

with EcoCity Farms



CAPACITY VS COLLECTIONS

Food waste collections & capacity - next 10 years



Collections tonnage estimated based on waste characterization studies and census data



CURRENT COMPOST OUTPOSTS®

Located in Maryland & Virginia

ONE ACRE FARM

This composting site was featured on an episode of Maryland Farm & Harvest



[Click here to watch the episode](#)

BUTLER'S ORCHARD



ECO CITY FARMS (BLADENSBURG)



I-66 TRANSFER STATION



WHAT IS A COMPOST OUTPOST®?

- Turnkey, modular composting site, developed with EcoCity Farms
- Less than a quarter acre
- Installed in a few months

BENEFITS

- Complements larger facilities
- Provides options for cities and towns to be self-reliant
- Top quality compost
- Inspires behavior change



Click [here](#) to watch our video and learn more about outpost operations



OTHER TOPICS

- MD & DC food waste diversion legislation
- MD on-farm composting legislation
- Federal grants – SWIFR, CFWR, FPEP
- MD-DC committee / USCC





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