

Eco-Friendly Autumn

As brisk days return so do many fall activities. This might include decorating with autumnal accents, preparing hot meals, and tending to the hundreds of fallen sticks and leaves across your lawn.



Decorations: You can use natural materials for decoration, such as gourds, pumpkins, and corn instead of plastic and foam. They can be added to a compost pile once they begin decomposing.

Learn more about composting [here](#)!

Food repurposing: Reimagine your food left overs and create something new—the County continues to collaborate with the Culinary Institute of America to bring food repurposing workshops to its residents.

View our very first event [here](#). The County will collaborate with the CIA again on 11/20! For the announcement and details on our next event visit our [website](#) on October 22nd.



Yard trimmings: Fall is a great time to compost. The County collaborated with Cornell Cooperative Extension to host several free [compost workshops](#) throughout 2025.

Since this series has concluded, here are examples of what else you can do with the trimmings: reused as mulch and fertilizer in your garden once broken down, [left and used by organisms](#) that hibernate and eat it over winter, and to [cover and suppress weeds](#) from resprouting in the spring.

