

Description of implementation:

We believe that we are eligible for all 22 points available under this action. Attached is a link to a website with Bedford's yard waste program which contains a drop off component as well as curbside pickup for bags of yard waste. Additionally included are links to several different food waste programs; one drop off compost program, and one curbside pick up program that began as a pilot program, but has now been expanded community-wide. The links we have included contain information such as the kinds of materials accepted, sign-up details, and the logistics of the program that residents must understand to use it. Lastly, a link to a spreadsheet with calculations on compost tonnage dating back to 2017 is also included, along with a compost guide that educates participants on proper composting practices. All previously mentioned links are in the document titled "PE5_Residential_Organic_Waste_Disposal_Program_Supporting_Documents".

In the same document we have also included screenshots of our compost guide which outlines acceptable and unacceptable materials and best practices for composting.

Residential Organic Waste Disposal Program:

The town of Bedford has established a yard waste program that includes pick up of bags of leaves and other yard waste that residents leave on the curb, as well as a location that is available for drop off. Here is the link to the program-

- <https://bedford2030.org/free-mulch-and-compost/>
- https://townofbedford.wpenginepowered.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/10/10.21_LEAF-PICK-UP-SCHEDULE.pdf

Bedford has also established a drop off food waste program for compost. Residents are each given two compost bins and a roll of bags to store the food waste before dropping it off. A link to the program is available here-

- <https://bedford2030.org/community-compost/>

Beginning in 2020, Bedford instituted a pilot curbside food waste pickup program with 75 members, which transitioned into a full program in 2021. Here is a link to information about the program-

- <https://bedford2030.org/curbside-compost-2/>

Below is a link to a spreadsheet that monitors Bedford's compost tonnage since 2017-

- [Compost tonnage report since 2017.xlsx](#)

Bedford has published a compost guide for residents, which is available on the Bedford 2030 website, in addition to other compost-related information.

- <https://bedford2030.org/backyard-compost/>
- <https://bedford2030.org/action/compost/>

Additionally attached to this submission is a pdf of the city's solid waste management plan.