

COMPOSTING YES / NO LIST

Can I composte this?

✓ YES

- ✓ Apple cores
- ✓ Banana peels
- ✓ Bones of fish, chicken & meats
- ✓ Bread
- ✓ Brown paper bags
- ✓ Carrot tops
- ✓ Cauliflower stalks
- ✓ Certified compostable products
- ✓ Cheese
- ✓ Chop sticks (wooden)
- ✓ Citrus fruits
- ✓ Cloth paper
- ✓ Coconut husks & shell
- ✓ Coffee grounds & filters
- ✓ Compostable kitchenware
- ✓ Cooked food

- ✓ Napkins
- ✓ Nut shells
- ✓ Onions & garlic
- ✓ Paper products
(towels, plates, bowls)
- ✓ Paper to-go packaging
- ✓ Paperware (without wax coating)
- ✓ Pasta
- ✓ Pencil shavings
- ✓ Pineapple (head & skin)
- ✓ Pizza
- ✓ Pizza boxes & other
food-spoiled cardboard
- ✓ Powdered milk
- ✓ Rotten vegetables
- ✓ Rotten food leftovers
- ✓ Shells from seafood
- ✓ Silk materials
- ✓ Stalks, roots

If you can eat it, you can compost it!

- ✓ Cooking string & twine
- ✓ Corks
- ✓ Corn
- ✓ Cotton materials (rags, clothing)
- ✓ Dairy waste
(butter, cheese, yogurt)
- ✓ Dryer lint
- ✓ Egg shells
- ✓ Eggs
- ✓ Feathers
- ✓ Fish
- ✓ Flowers
- ✓ Food cooked in oil
- ✓ Freezer-burned foods
- ✓ Fruits, vegetables,
scraps & trimmings
- ✓ Grains
(pasta, bread, rice, cereal)
- ✓ Hemp materials
- ✓ Houseplant trimmings
- ✓ Human & animal hair clippings
- ✓ Leather
- ✓ Mango & tamarin seeds
- ✓ Meat
- ✓ Moldy & soiled foods
- ✓ Nail clippings

- ✓ Sugar cane
- ✓ Tea bags
(remove metal staple)
- ✓ Tea leaves
- ✓ Tissue paper
- ✓ Tomatoes
- ✓ Watermelon rinds
- ✓ Wax paper
- ✓ Wool



Still have questions?
All the answers you
could ever want are on
the Wizard search tool
on the City's website
fairfaxva.gov/recycling.

X NO

- X Aluminum foil (recycle)
- X Animal or human waste
- X Aquarium water or sludge
- X Batteries
- X Broken glass
- X Buckets
- X Candles, crayons, wax
- X Cardboard (recycle)
- X Chemicals
- X Coal
- X Cosmetics
- X Dangerous items
- X Diapers
- X Envelopes (recycle)
- X Foil wrappers & shrink packaging
- X Glass bottles (recycle)
- X Glossy/slick colored paper (recycle)
- X Herbicides
- X Inorganic materials
- X K-cups (unless it says compostable)
- X Kitty litter
- X Magazines (recycle)
- X Medicine & medical waste
- X Metal cans (recycle)
- X Newspaper (recycle)
- X Packaging (shipping boxes)
- X Paperware (with plastic lining)
- X Plastic bags
- X Plastic cups & bottles
- X Plastic-lined fast food boxes
- X Produce stickers & packaging
- X Receipts
- X Rubber bands
- X Soiled bandages
- X Tissues (used)
- X To-go drink cups
- X Toxins
- X Treated woods
- X Twist ties

**When
in doubt,
leave
it out!**



fairfaxva.gov/composting
703-385-7837

DROPOFF INFORMATION



City of Fairfax Trash and Recycling Services

fairfaxva.gov/recycling

refusercycling@fairfaxva.gov

703-385-7837 or
703-385-LEAF (5323)

Fairfax County Trash and Recycling Drop Off Centers

- A** I-66 Transfer Station 4618 West Ox Rd.
 - B** I-95 Landfill 9850 Furnace Rd., Lorton, VA 22079
- fairfaxva.gov/recycling
trashmail@fairfaxcounty.gov
703-324-5230

Composting Drop Off Center

- ★** 10455 Armstrong Street
(adjacent to the Community Garden
on the west side of City Hall)
Accessible 24/7/365
- fairfaxva.gov/composting
composting@fairfaxva.gov



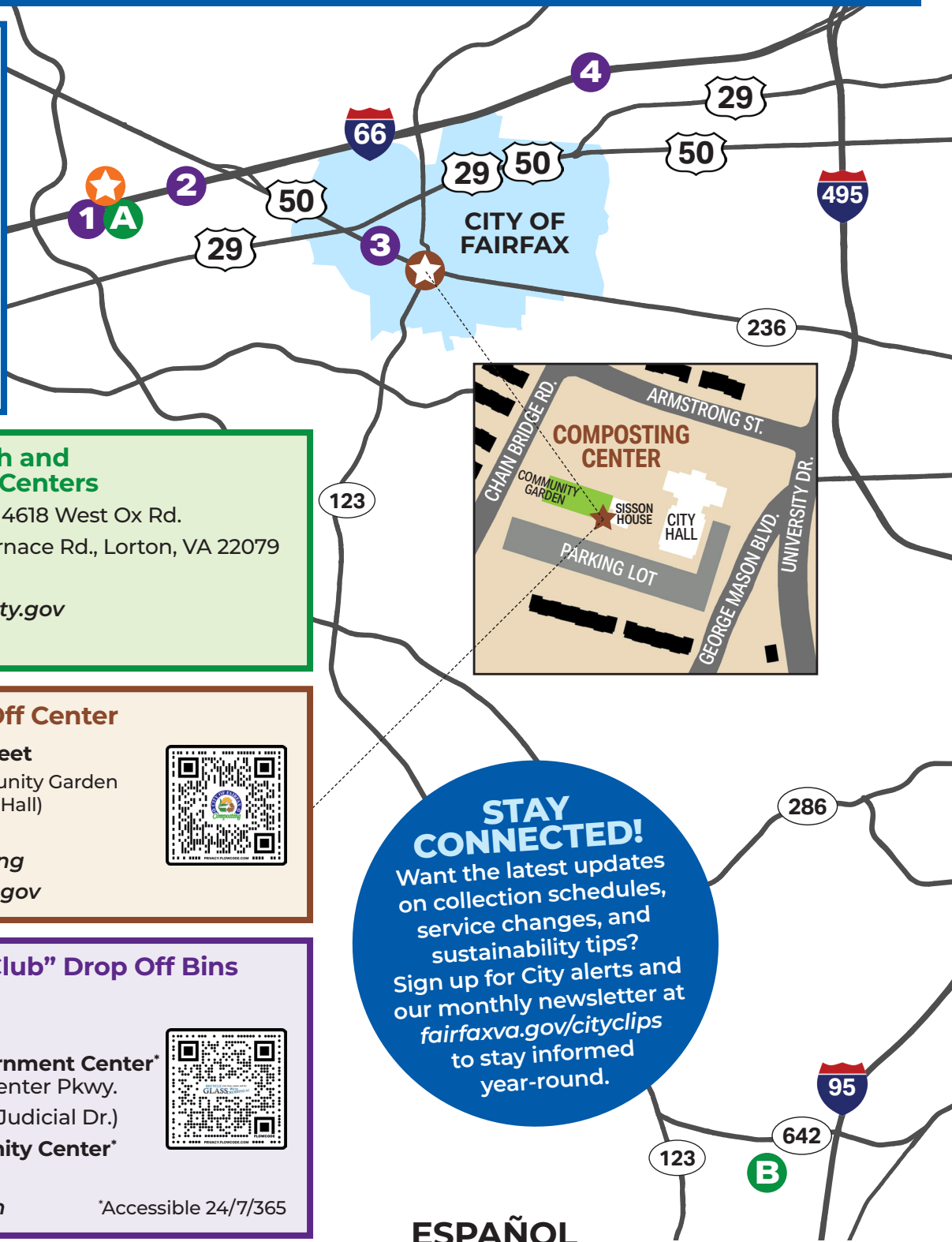
Glass "Purple Can Club" Drop Off Bins

- 1** I-66 Transfer Station
4618 West Ox Rd.
 - 2** Fairfax County Government Center*
12000 Government Center Pkwy.
 - 3** 10700 Page Ave* (off Judicial Dr.)
 - 4** Providence Community Center*
3001 Vaden Dr.
- fairfaxva.gov/purplecan *Accessible 24/7/365



Electronics, Hazardous Household Waste (HHW), and Clothing/Textiles Drop Off Center

- ★** I-66 Transfer Station
4618 West Ox Rd.
- fairfaxva.gov/HHW



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ESPAÑOL

Para la Guía de Servicios de Residuos Sólidos en Español, visita fairfaxva.gov/composting



To request this information in an alternate format, call 703-385-7800 (TTY: 711).