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LEARN TO MAKE COMPOST

Have you ever wanted to compost, but were not sure where to get started? Well, you are in luck! The Tehama County Solid Waste Management Agency will be holding semi-annual backyard composting classes at our Agency office located at the Tehama County/Red Bluff Landfill. The classes will focus on starting a composting pile, how to keep your pile healthy, and what to do with finished compost. In addition, Agency staff will share helpful landscaping tips that could reduce the amount of yard waste you produce, along with tips to cut down on wasted food. If available, participants can take a bucket of chipped yard waste home to get their compost pile started or to use as mulch around plants. The next composting class will be June 9th at 9:00AM and is expected to last approximately 45 minutes to one hour.

Along with learning about compost, participants will have an opportunity to tour our landfill to see where trash goes when it is “thrown out”. Tour participants will learn how landfills work, how the landfill ensures the protection of the environment, and see what programs are in place to divert as much material as possible from the landfill.

While diverting material from the landfill results in decreased revenue, reducing what goes in the landfill allows us to keep the landfill open longer while conserving valuable resources. When less waste is placed in the landfill, especially organic materials like food waste and yard waste, it also lessens the impact to our environment through reduced methane emissions. The Tehama County Solid Waste Management Agency is here to assist our residents reduce their waste disposal costs while also protecting our environment. Working together we can keep Tehama County beautiful for generations to come.

Space is limited! To reserve a spot for the next composting class, contact the Tehama County Solid Waste Management Agency at (530) 528-1103 or email tehamacountyrecycles@co.tehama.ca.us. Anyone interested in the tour must wear closed-toe shoes and is encouraged to bring water. Water bottles can be refilled onsite.