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LEARN HOW TO MAKE COMPOST



Figure 1: Agency staff giving compost presentation.

As the recent rain is soaking in the ground and more rain is forecasted it may get you thinking about planting your fall garden. There is no better place to find fall native plants than at the Sacramento River Discovery Center during their Fall Plant Festival November 12th from 9AM-1PM. When planting you'll want to incorporate quality organic matter into your soil so it can feed your plants and help them fight off pests. Not sure how to make your own compost? Not to worry, Tehama County Solid Waste Management Agency staff will be holding backyard composting presentations during the plant sale. Agency staff will teach you how to turn valuable food scraps (not waste!) into black gold, or compost as most people call it. The presentations will take place each half-hour starting at 9:30AM and continue until 1PM. Staff will provide compost booklets to all participants to use as a resource when starting or maintaining their compost pile. The presentations will focus on starting a compost pile, how to keep your pile healthy, and what to do with the 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. The Sacramento River Discovery Center is located at 1000 Sale Lane, Red Bluff. If you cannot make it to the Fall Plant Festival, but still want to learn about compost, contact the Tehama County Solid Waste Management Agency at (530) 528-1103 or email tehamacountyrecycles@co.tehama.ca.us.