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Want Something for Nothing? DSNY Hosts Compost Giveback Event this Sunday

WHAT:

The New York City Department of Sanitation collects organic material – food scraps, food-soiled paper and yard waste – from city residents as part of the largest curbside organics collection program in the country. Some of that material is turned into compost at the Department’s Staten Island Compost Facility. This Sunday, the Department will host an event to “giveback” that material, in the form of compost, a soil amendment that creates healthier soil, which leads to healthier plants.

At this prime planting season, city residents can receive free bags of high-quality compost at the event while supplies last. More info: nyc.gov/getcompost.

NOTE: Each bag of compost weighs approximately 40 pounds; residents should check their vehicle’s manual to make sure they do not exceed their vehicle’s weight bearing capacity. Residents should be prepared to physically lift and place individual bags of compost into their own vehicle. DSNY staff will be present to assist residents, when needed. City residents only, no businesses.

WHEN:

Sunday, May 21, 2017
9 am to 5 pm

WHERE:

Fresh Kills Headquarters
1010 Muldoon Avenue (off of Rt. 440)
Staten Island, NY 10312

About the New York City Department of Sanitation

The Department of Sanitation (DSNY) keeps New York City healthy, safe and clean by collecting, recycling and disposing of waste, cleaning streets and vacant lots, and clearing snow and ice. The Department operates 59 district garages and manages a fleet of more than 2,000 rear-loading collection trucks, 450 mechanical brooms and 689 salt/sand spreaders. The Department clears litter, snow and ice from approximately 6,500 miles of City streets and removes debris from vacant lots as well as abandoned vehicles from City streets.