

RecyclingWorks September Newsletter

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RecyclingWorks Spotlight: Martha's Vineyard

The Martha's Vineyard Vision Fellowship (MVVF) is currently conducting a pilot program to capture wasted food for composting on the island. RecyclingWorks assisted the MVVF in identifying options for hauling and processing wasted food collected through this program. To get the six restaurants participating in the pilot started, RecyclingWorks provided a training session and poster on source separation of wasted food. MVVF's goal is to eventually scale up the program to divert wasted food from 150 businesses on Martha's Vineyard.

A recent article in the [MV Times](#) describes this compost pilot program.



Upcoming Events

September 8
CURC Webinar:
[Implementing Campus-Wide Bin Standards](#)

September 14
[Hauler Contracting Stakeholder Meeting](#)
Springfield

September 22
[Construction & Demolition Waste Stakeholder Meeting](#)
Worcester

RecyclingWorks Website: Updated Map

The MassDEP has updated the map of [Sites Accepting Diverted Food Material in Massachusetts](#). This map includes animal feed operations, anaerobic digestion facilities, and compost sites that process wasted food materials from off-site generators. The document also includes contact information for sites listed on the map.

For information on food rescue and donation organizations, see the separate page on [Food Donation Guidance for Massachusetts Businesses](#).

Hauler Contracting Stakeholder Meetings

You can help RecyclingWorks develop best management practices on contracting for hauling services for trash, recycling, and organics for business and institutions. RecyclingWorks is hosting several conversations on this topic across the state this fall. Whether you are a hauler or business that contracts with a hauler, consider attending one of the following to share your experience with creating, maintaining, and modifying contracts for waste hauling services:

- Sept 22: [Hauler Contracting Stakeholder Meeting in Western Mass](#) (Springfield)
- Oct 27: [Hauler Contracting Stakeholder Discussion at SWAC Meeting](#) (Boston)
- Nov 15: [Hauler Contracting Stakeholder Meeting in Central Mass](#) (Worcester)

This topic will also be on the agenda for the fall WasteWise Forum and College & University Forum.

October 4
[MassDEP Organics Subcommittee Meeting](#)
Boston

October 17-19
[ReuseConex 2016](#)
Somerville

October 21
[C&D Focus Group at NESEA Pro-Tour](#)
Wayland

October 27
MassDEP
[Solid Waste Advisory Committee \(SWAC\) Meeting](#)
Boston

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Featured Articles

- Spoiler Alert's new page, [A Beginner's Guide to Food Waste](#), catalogs useful resources for reducing wasted food such as ReFED's Roadmap to Reduce US Food Waste by 20%, the Save The Food Campaign, the EPA Food Recovery Hierarchy, and RecyclingWorks in MA.
- The [National Restaurant Association](#) recently posted four tips for reducing food waste at restaurants.

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