

SLO County residents FREE food waste program

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Get a FREE food waste bin from [your waste collection service provider](#)



Place in a convenient kitchen location and fill with your food scraps

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Dump food scraps into your curbside green waste bin and you are good to go!



What can go in?

- All cooked and uncooked food including meat, fish, fruits, and vegetables
- Peels, rinds and pits
- Bread, pasta, grains, and rice

Food Waste Collection Program FAQs

Q. What food waste materials are accepted/prohibited?

A.

Accepted	Prohibited
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• All cooked and uncooked food including meat, fish, fruits, and vegetables• Peels, rinds and pits• Bread, pasta, grains, and rice	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Utensils• Paper, glass, metal, and Styrofoam• Liquids, oils, and grease• Animal waste• Bags of any kind

Q. Will my food scraps bin smell?

A. Even if you do not collect your food scraps separately, they will still end up in your trashcan. Just take out your food scraps bin as often as you take out your kitchen trash.

Q. What about my curbside green waste bin?

A. Since we do not allow bags in your green waste bin, there are many ways to make sure it stays clean:

- Layer yard clippings on bottom of bin
- Sprinkle baking soda in bin
- Place bin in shade
- Even if it is not full, make sure to take bin out to be collected every week
- Contact [your hauler](#) for periodic bin cleaning