

Make A Difference: Prevent Food Waste

Food waste
is the

#1

material thrown
away by WI
residents.

Each U.S.
consumer loses

~\$728

every year
through food
waste.

By reducing food waste,
Wisconsinites can save money,
landfill space and resources.



Scan here
for in-depth
information,
tools and resources
for reducing food
waste at home.



Scan here for
information on
composting at
home, compost
subscription and
drop-off services.

Tips To Prevent Food Waste

Planning & Shopping

- Make a list of what needs to be used up and plan meals around it.
- Plan meals for the week before you shop.
- When planning meals, consider quantities and portion sizes, or have a plan for using leftovers.

Storing

- Learn where and how to properly store items for longevity.
- Freeze what can't be used right away.

Understanding Date Labels

- Product dating is only federally regulated for infant formula.
- Date labels on food products are for quality, not safety.
- Use your sense of smell, sight and taste to decide if food is spoiled.

Alternatives To Landfilling

- Donate edible food to food pantries.
- Compost at home, use a subscription service or drop-off site to compost food scraps.

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