

# THE BIODEGRADABLE BUZZ



## QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER



IF YOU HAVE BIODEGRADABLE HOLIDAY DECORATIONS, DON'T FORGET TO COMPOST THOSE, TOO. OUR MICROBES WOULD LOVE TO CELEBRATE THE HOLIDAYS... POINSETTIAS, POTPOURRI, AND DRIED UP CHRISTMAS TREE DECORATIONS, TOSS EM' IN! BE SURE TO LOOK OUT FOR PLASTIC, GLITTER, TAPE, OR STAPLES THAT AREN'T COMPOSTABLE.



## END OF YEAR STATS

HAPPIEST NEW YEAR TO YOU AND YOURS! CHILLY WEATHER MEANS STEAMIER COMPOST PILES, AND WE HOPE YOU ARE JUST AS EXCITED AS WE ARE! WE CAN'T WAIT TO WATCH THESE NUMBERS GROW EVEN BIGGER IN 2022.

8% of food scraps composted with Walnut Hills Community Garden

112,405 pounds of food scraps collected in 2021

90% of food scraps composted with Carriage House Farm

100+ residential drop-off members

## QUARTERLY UPDATES

- We've had a handful of new composters sign on for service these past few months - make sure to pay a visit to Morsel & Nosh, a deli and Specialty Grocery Store in Northside, and the Unity Christian Church Food Pantry in Hartwell to say thanks for helping contribute to local food production and building healthy soils right here in Cincinnati.
- Queen City Commons was accepted to present at the US Composting Council Emerging Composter Competition in January! Make sure to keep up with our Instagram, @queencitycommons, to see some conference footage and our other composting shenanigans.

## LOCAL COMPOSTING NEWS

In November we were able to show off our compost pile at Carriage House Farm for the Small-Scale Community Compost Training led by Cleveland's very own Rust Belt Riders. (See above photo). Check out <https://www.rustbeltriders.com/> to learn more about composting efforts elsewhere in Ohio.



## REMINDERS



Remember that the only brand of compostable liners we accept are Biobags! You can purchase them online or from your local Whole Foods. We have found that Biobags break down most efficiently with our small-scale farm and garden partners.