

THE BIODEGRADABLE BUZZ



QUARTERLY UPDATES

- Oh, what a steamy (and cicada-y) summer this has been so far! This quarter, you've helped to divert 25,900 pounds of compost from the landfills - that's 35,600 pounds just for this year!
- In May, we celebrated International Compost Awareness Week by posting each day about what compost means to us. Head over to our instagram to see what we had to say!
- Buckets, buckets, we have the buckets! Need a more efficient way to transport your scraps from your home to your drop-off bin? Want a super trendy 5-gallon bucket with the QCC logo on it? We came into some secondhand buckets and are now offering them to our monthly members for free. Let us know if you'd like one and we'll be happy to provide one for you.
- We've restructured our payment system to a sliding-scale model. This means that the residential drop-off bins will be available for \$5/month (low-income), \$10/month (middle-income), and \$15/month (high-income). Check out our website for more details about the sliding-scale model! Reach out to us if you would like to switch your payment option and we'll apply it to your account.

LOCAL COMPOSTING NEWS

One of our composting partners was accepted for a grant to help expand our operation at Camp Washington Urban Farm! This means larger compost capacity (wooh!) and more opportunities for meaningful partnerships and growth.



COMPOSTING TIPS, TRICKS, & FACTS

While there are many ways to build a compost pile (tumbler composting, worm bin composting, open-air composting...), we have been using your food scraps to build and maintain five Johnson-Su Compost Bioreactors at the Taft Community Garden in Walnut Hills. Learn more about Johnson-Su composting here: <https://regenerationinternational.org/bioreactor/>, and check out our Johnson-Su piles to the left!

REMINDERS

- We will be at Second Sunday on Main (SSOM) in OTR starting July 11th! Check out the other vendors and stop by our booth to say hey! We love getting to know our community composters.
- Don't forget to follow us on social media (@queencitycommons)! We post photos of pretty compost piles, cool compost knowledge, and groovy compost dances - you definitely don't want to miss out!

NEW RESIDENTIAL DROP-OFF BINS!

This past quarter, we've implemented a new community bin in College Hill (Fern) and an additional Northside community bin (Growing Trade). This brings us up to five drop-off bins in the Queen City!

