

# BIODEGRADABLE BUZZ



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## COMPOST GIVE BACK

For the first time, we're giving back a 3-gallon bag of finished compost to our drop-off members. [Please click here to reserve your bag and see pick up options!](#) Thank you for all that you do!

## NORTHSIDE PILOT PROGRAM

Ok, y'all! We've been hinting at this for a while now, but we are finally ready to get people signed up for our **FREE NORTHSIDE DROP OFF PROGRAM!**

In partnership with the City of Cincinnati Office of Environment and Sustainability, this program will include easily accessible + walkable drop-off bins throughout Northside! Sign up for 3 free months of service at [\*\*queencitycommons.com/northside\*\*](https://queencitycommons.com/northside) and get all the details about the new locations. Please spread the word, we want to get as many Northsiders as possible composting!

## AT LONG LAST, SPRING IS HERE

And she couldn't have come a moment sooner. Take a minute to get some warm sun on your face today!

As you may know, spring is one of the busiest times for us over at QCC! Here is a list of upcoming events where we'll be hosting a table. Come hang out and learn more about organizations working on community building and a more sustainable Cincinnati!

### **Lierer's Market 1 Year Anniversary:**

Saturday, March 29th at Lierer's Market  
(4170 Hamilton Ave) from 10am-2pm

### **Findlay Market Community Night:**

Wednesday, April 9th at Findlay Market  
(1801 Race St.) from 5:30-7:30pm

### **Cincinnati Earth Day Celebration:**

Saturday, April 26th at Summit Park in Blue Ash (4335 Glendale Milford Rd.) from 12-5pm

### **Ladles Not Landfills:**

Sunday, April 27th at MadTree Brewing  
(3301 Madison Rd.) from 4-7pm

### **Anti-Despair Earth Fair:**

Sunday, May 4th at Valley Park (3250 Colerain Ave) from 1-3:30pm! Join us, @commonorchard, and @villagegreenfoundation for an afternoon of education, resources, + fun!



## THE PRODUCE STICKER ICK

Even when we bring reusable bags, avoid prepackaged food, and buy fresh fruit and veggies, we can never seem to escape the grocery store free from plastics. Produce (or PLU) stickers are everywhere, and until someone makes a biodegradable option, we need to address what to do with them!

The tiny, yet evil, PLU sticker reigns supreme when it comes to compost pile contamination, and even though we STRONGLY dislike the landfill, that is where these little pieces of sticky, plastic mess will do the least amount of damage to our soils.

Make sure they don't wind up in your compost by removing them before putting produce in your fridge, or make a fun activity out of it by collecting them or creating art!

## WORMS OF WISDOM: CALL FOR ARTISTS

Do you or your kids/partners/grandparents/pets/etc. make art? We are looking for submissions for our newsletter! We would love to add your drawings, poems, photographs, and/or garden selfies to share with our community members! Please email submissions to [kaelee@queencitycommons.com](mailto:kaelee@queencitycommons.com) if you are interested!



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