

Requirements to become a Master Recycler Composter

1. Within one year of applying, attend six free Master Recycler Composter workshops including:
 - Basic Composting
 - Advanced Composting
 - Worm Composting
 - Know Your Soils
 - Your choice of any two recycle/reuse/reduce/repair workshops
2. Tour of Central Transfer Station, MRC Demo site, and Hazo-Hut
3. Complete WSU Master Composter Recycler application and background check.

Recertification requirements:

To maintain certification as a Master Recycler Composter requires at least 25 hours of volunteer service each year.



Once you have completed the six workshops and tour, fill out an application, and submit a criminal history background check you will become a certified WSU Lewis County Master Recycler Composter.



To request an application packet or for more information visit the WSU Lewis County Extension office Monday through Thursday between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. We are located at 17 SW Cascade Ave, Chehalis, WA.

Requests can be made by phone at (360) 740-1216 or by email to jason.adams@lewiscountywa.gov

WSU Lewis County Master Recycler Composters

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Persons with a disability requiring special accommodation while participating in this training program may call (360) 740-1216, WSU Extension. If accommodation is not requested in advance, we cannot guarantee the availability of accommodation on site.

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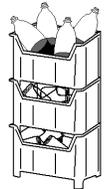
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If you would like to see less waste in landfills, want to do your part to protect our environment, reduce your expenses, and help yourself and others to become more self-sustaining, consider becoming a WSU Lewis County Master Recycler Composter (MRC) volunteer.

WSU Lewis County Master Recycler Composter volunteers learn how to Reduce, Reuse and Recycle then share their knowledge and enthusiasm with others in their local community.

WSU Lewis County MRC volunteers make it their mission to provide information to local community members through workshops, composting demonstration sites and educational outreach at the Home and Garden Show and other venues throughout the county.

The WSU Lewis County Master Recycler Composter program is open to anyone with an interest in the “Three Rs” (Reduce, Reuse, Recycle) and a willingness to use their knowledge, experience and enthusiasm to make a positive impact on their local community.

Volunteers are trained to:

- * Work as a team member to help the general public learn to reduce, reuse and recycle solid waste.
- * Provide information on a variety of recycling or composting options.
- * Assist the public with information and demonstrate techniques which encourage individual responsibility for waste reduction.

Primary responsibilities are to:

- * Assist with a compost or recycling demonstration site.
- * Provide public outreach at various community festivals, public activities, and educational forums.

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Additional activities may include:

- * Assist in preparing and staffing exhibits, displays and demonstration sites.
- * Serve as a recycling or composting educator and resource person in the community.
- * Assist in planning, coordinating, and providing publicity for classes, workshops and demonstrations.
- * Market and promote the educational resources of WSU Extension and Lewis County Solid Waste Utility.
- * Teach home composting, waste reduction and recycling classes.

Training content may include:

- * Overview of the waste problem in Lewis County and elsewhere
- * Recycling Yard and Kitchen Waste
- * Hands-on construction of a compost pile and worm bin
- * Overview of Household Hazardous Waste
- * Alternatives to Home & Garden Hazardous Materials
- * Pesticide, fertilizer and waste materials that impact groundwater and drinking water.
- * Plant and Demonstration Garden
- * How to target your audience.
- * Effective Communication Skills
- * Educational tools and resources available for teaching recycling, composting and water quality.

Additional training offered:

- * Field trips to observe recycling and composting activities in Lewis County and other counties and cities.
- * Educational speakers at monthly meetings.
- * Seminars and courses offered by WSU or other accredited organizations.