

# BENEFITS OF COMPOSTING

United States in 2017: 2.6 million tons of food composted, up from 1.84 million in 2013.

67.0 million tons of MSW recycled, 27 million tons composted  
1.13 pounds of recycling per person per day and 0.45 pounds of compost per person per day.

6.1 million households received composting curbside pickup!

## REDUCE EMISSIONS

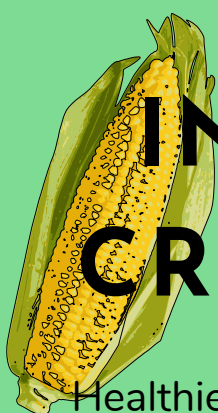
Organic waste in landfills generates methane, a potent greenhouse gas. Compost also sequesters carbon, reducing emission of two major greenhouse gases.

## REMEDiate SOIL



Compost cures soils of hazardous waste, reduces or eliminates the need for chemic fertilizers, and replenishes nutrients.

## INCREASE CROP YIELD



Healthier soil with more nutrients, organic matter, and microorganisms helps crops grow bigger, with greater output.

## LOWER COSTS

Compost can provide cost savings over conventional soil, water and air pollution remediation technologies, where applicable.

## ENHANCE SOIL ABSORPTION

Compost helps absorbs water and carbon. It also reduces soil erosion and greenhouse gas emissions, and enhances nutrient retention.

## REDUCE WASTE



Composting keeps organic waste out of landfills, while helping plants and microorganisms to grow and pulling carbon out of the atmosphere.

# BUILD A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE

Less waste and healthier soil means a healthier Earth!