



## Public Works Department: Recycling Center

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### COMPOST AWARENESS WEEK SALE

In recognition of International Compost Awareness Week, the Manitowoc County Recycling Center is offering 50% off screened compost purchases from May 3rd to the 8th. The discounted price is \$7.50 per cubic yard. We are able to load material in open trucks and trailers Monday through Friday from 7:30a to 3:30p. The offer does not apply to wood mulch or delivered material and is good while supplies last.



The International Compost Awareness Week started in Canada in 1995 to help raise public awareness of the benefits of composting and using compost.

Our compost is made from the leaves, grass clippings, and garden/yard materials dropped off at the Basswood Compost Site. These materials are blended together and turned multiple times for about 2 years. Once the compost is finished, some of it is screened to 1 inch and sold to local residents and businesses for their garden and landscape projects.

### Benefits of Compost:

- Enriches the soil with organic matter
- Helps soil retain moisture
- Reduces the need for chemical fertilizers
- Encourages beneficial bacterial and fungi that help improve soil
- Helps sandy soil retain water and nutrients
- Helps break up clay soil so plant roots can grow through it

For more information about compost products or other recycling programs call 920-683-4333 or visit [Recycling.manitowocountywi.gov](http://Recycling.manitowocountywi.gov)