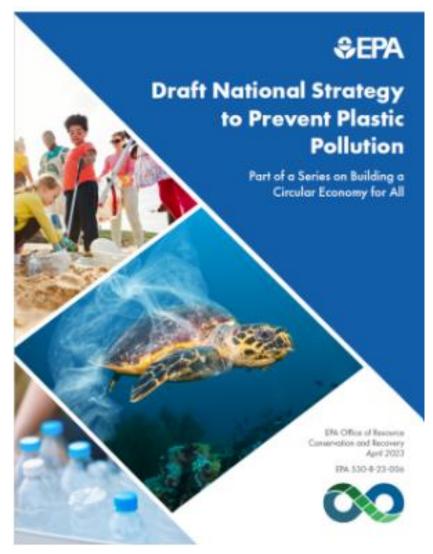
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- •Objective A: Reduce pollution during plastic production.
- •Objective B: Improve post-use materials management.
- •Objective C: Prevent trash and micro/nanoplastics from entering waterways and remove escaped trash from the environment

https://www.epa.gov/circulareconomy/draft-national-strategy-prevent-plastic-pollution

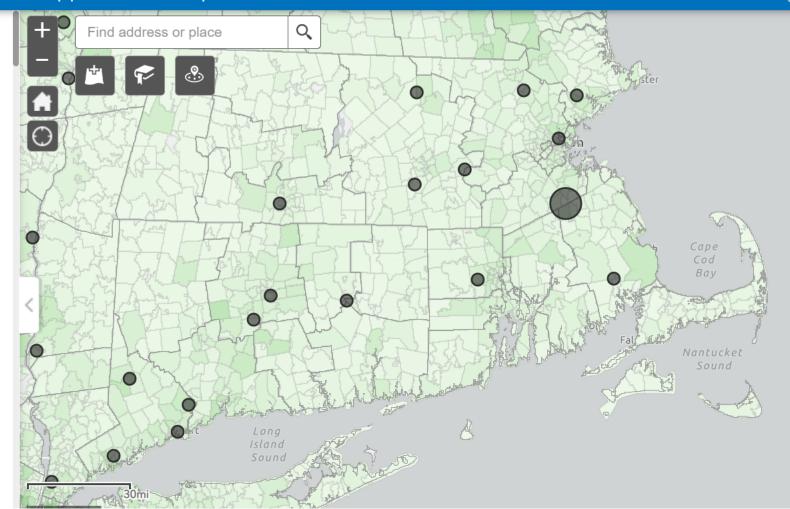


### Recycling Infrastructure and Market Opportunities Map

### About the Map

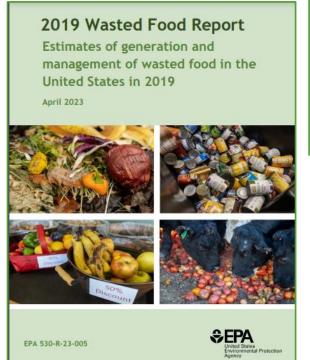
EPA developed the Recycling Infrastructure and Market Opportunities Map to assist in efforts to meet the National Recycling Goal of increasing the U.S. recycling rate of materials generated in municipal solid waste (MSW) to 50% by 2030 and to support the building of new recycling infrastructure through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL). The map identifies and displays information on estimated generation, estimated recycling, and estimated recycling potential by ZIP code and material; locations of recycling infrastructure; potential primary and secondary end markets for recycled materials; market factors such as landfill tipping fees and bottle bill deposit prices; and other MSW infrastructure such as landfills and transfer stations.

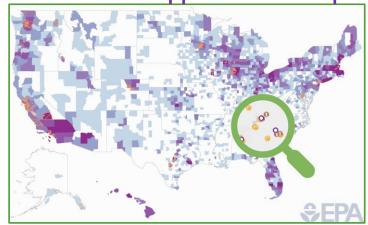
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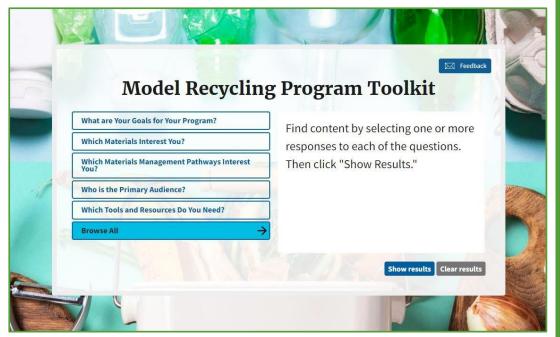
### **EPA Tools & Resources**

### **Excess Food Opportunities Map**









# **EPA Funding Opportunities**



Solid Waste Infrastructure for Recycling Grant Program



Recycling Education and Outreach Grant Program



Climate Pollution Reduction Grant Program

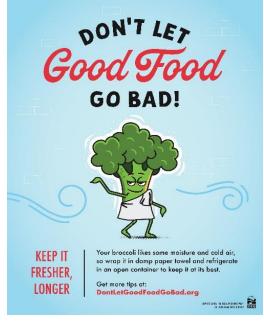
# COMING SOON!!!!

# Preventing Wasted Food in Your Community: A Social Marketing Toolkit











Composting Food Scraps in Your Community: A Social Marketing Toolkit







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Retention Policy 10 years (Capstone approach) (10 years)



April 19, 2023

#### **Updates**

- 1. 2023 Healthy Communities Grant Program Announcement, application is May 26, 2023
- 2. EPA Seeks Input on Inflation Reduction Act Programs to Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions Associated with Construction Materials and Products, Comments due 5/1/2023

Expires 4/16/2033

- 3. 2023 Circular Economy Request for Information: Challenges and Opportunities of Increasing Materials Circularity, response due by 5/1/2023
- 4. Biden-Harris Administration Announces Availability of \$16 Million for Pollution Prevention in Environmental Justice Communities
- 5. USDA Announces Cooperative Agreements for Compost and Food Waste Reduction, Applications due June 15, 2023

#### **Tools/Case Studies**

- 6. Anaerobic Digestion Facilities Processing Food Waste in the United States (2019), April 2023
- 7. 2019 Wasted Food Report, April 2023
- 8. On-farm Composting Toolkit
- 9. Map & List of Massachusetts Sites Accepting Diverted Food Material, February 2023
- 10. The Food Scrap Contamination Guide, New York State Pollution Prevention Institute
- 11. International Compost Awareness Week social media toolkit
- 12. Mitchell Center Spring 2023 Sustainability Talks, Recording available
- 13. Composting and Mulching for Climate-Wise Gardening, webinar recording March 2023

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### MORE!

- To receive EPA's In the Loop newsletter: https://www.epa.gov/recyclingstrategy/forms/stay-connected
- Funding opportunities: <a href="https://www.epa.gov/sustainable-management-food/funding-opportunities-and-epa-programs-related-food-system">https://www.epa.gov/sustainable-management-food/funding-opportunities-and-epa-programs-related-food-system</a>
- Research: <a href="https://www.epa.gov/land-research/food-waste-research">https://www.epa.gov/land-research/food-waste-research</a>
- Model Recycling Program Toolkit: <u>https://www.epa.gov/recyclingstrategy/model-recycling-program-toolkit</u>
- More info: https://www.epa.gov/sustainable-management-food