



CITY OF YELLOWKNIFE
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

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Dear Yellowknife Residents:

RE: Organics Curbside Collection in Yellowknife

With the arrival of your green carts, Yellowknife is taking the next step in dealing with our garbage responsibly.

Your neighbourhood - Frame Lake, Grace Lake and Hall Crescent Area, is the third to receive green carts for curbside organics collection. Next year will mark the final year of the roll-out of the program and the first year curbside organics collection will be offered to all single family dwellings throughout Yellowknife. The feedback we receive from you and your neighbours will help us improve this program in our community.

Council's goals include being stewards of our natural and built environment. In part, this means using our land in the best way possible. To that end, we have worked towards smart and sustainable approaches to our waste management systems. Recent initiatives include the introduction of the Curbside Cart Program and the completion of the three-year Compost Pilot Project to determine how to optimize centralized composting for our climate and community.

We found that organics collection promises to reduce the amount of waste going to the Yellowknife landfill by as much as 26%. Diverting our waste through composting means reducing the amount of land we use for landfill and the overall costs of maintenance of the Facility. These changes make our workers and our community safer and our land fertile.

Thanks for your cooperation in helping making Yellowknife a greener and more sustainable city.

Sincerely,

Mark Heyck
Mayor of Yellowknife