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City of Middletown offers Fall Community Sale of Compost Bins and Rain Barrels

The City of Middletown Public Works Department and The Lower CT River Valley Council of Governments are sponsoring a community sale of Compost Bins and Rain Barrels and to help residents conserve water, reduce waste and save money!

Composting is a practical way to reduce waste, combat climate change and save money on trash disposal and gardening materials. Composting turns your yard and kitchen waste into "black gold" that improves your soil and feeds your plants. Made from 50% recycled plastic, the 80 gallon Earth Machine Compost Bin cost \$54.95.

Rain Barrels are also available for \$69.00 and will collect 55 gallons of water. Each barrel comes with a spigot, overflow hose, and complete instructions. Rain barrels collect water from house gutters and then this water can be used on gardens and other plantings. Rain barrels can significantly reduce water usage and save homeowners money. Please note: the rain barrels must be emptied and turned upside down during the winter months.

Bins and barrels must be ordered on line at <https://rivercogcompostersale.ecwid.com/> by October 14, 2020. A masked, socially distanced pick up will be on October 18th at Veteran's Memorial Park on Walnut Grove Road in Middletown from 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. and at Tractor Supply 401 Middlesex Turnpike in Old Saybrook from 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. When ordering, the customer must choose which location for pick up.

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