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County waste department to provide free composting workshop Saturday in the south county

The Riverside County Waste Management Department will host a free backyard composting workshop in the south county on Saturday (April 18).

The “how-to” workshop in Murrieta will explain how to recycle organic resources such as yard trimmings, fruit and vegetable waste into a dark, crumbly, sweet-smelling soil conditioner. Compost can be used to enrich soil for gardens, lawns and house plants. Instead of putting organic waste into the garbage, learn to compost!

The free workshop begins at 10 a.m. at the Workforce Development Center, 30135 Technology Drive in Murrieta.

Composting is nature’s way of recycling. It’s a great way to divert waste from the landfill and turn it into a beneficial soil amendment. In composting, organic material is mixed together in a pile or bin, where millions of tiny microbes digest the material and turn it into a nutrient-rich soil amendment.

For years, the department has trained volunteer master composters who explain how to create compost easily and efficiently from organic wastes. Low-cost compost bins subsidized by the department also will be available for purchase by Riverside County residents (limit three per household). County residents can purchase compost bins by personal check only. Cash and credit cards will not be accepted.

For more information, contact Riverside County Waste Management Department at (951) 486-3200 or visit <http://www.rivcowm.org/opencms/recycling/pdf/flyers/Temecula-MWDC.pdf>