We offer a variety of types of programs at different locations around Howard County. Find a site near you, or select one based upon the description of the activity. At all sites, Master Gardeners will help you learn about:

- Composting kitchen scraps and yard trimmings
- Starting your backyard composting with the free Howard County bin (for Howard County residents only)
- Trouble-shooting or advising for maintaining your home backyard composting efforts
- Improving your soil’s health by incorporating compost

### Charles E. Miller Branch Library
9421 Frederick Rd, Ellicott City, MD 21042  
*Located in the Enchanted Garden*

**Saturdays 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM**
- Mar 19  
- Apr 2  
- Apr 16  
- May 7  
- May 21
- Jun 4  
- Jun 18  
- Jul 2  
- Jul 16  
- Aug 6

**Mondays 6:00 - 8:00 PM**
- Apr 11  
- Apr 25  
- May 9  
- May 23
- Jun 13  
- Jun 27  
- Jul 11  
- Jul 25
- Aug 8  
- Aug 22  
- Sep 12  
- Sep 26

**Wednesday 4:00 - 6:00 PM**  
(During the Farmers Market)
- May 4  
- Jun 1  
- Jul 6  
- Aug 3  
- Sep 7

### Robinson Nature Center
6692 Cedar Ln, Columbia, MD 21044  
*No fee required to come to the compost demonstration area in the upper parking lot. Admission to the Center.*

**Wednesdays 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM**
- Mar 16  
- Apr 6  
- May 7  
- Jun 1  
- Jul 16  
- Aug 6
- Sep 3  
- Sep 17  
- Jul 2  
- Jul 11  
- Aug 22

**Saturdays 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM**
- Mar 19  
- Apr 23*  
- May 23  
- Jun 25
- Aug 20  
- Nov 5  
- Aug 22  
- Sep 12  
- Sep 26

(*In association with Pollinator Event so program from Noon - 2:00 PM)

**Sundays and during Special Events**  
*Check with Robinson Nature Center for details*
- May 1 Native Plant Palooza  
  *(Noon to 4:00 PM)*
- July 10 Wild for Water  
  *(10:00 AM to 4:00 PM)*
- Sept 25 Open House  
  *(Noon to 5:00 PM)*
- Oct 16  
  *(Noon to 2:00 PM)*
At Savage Branch Library participate in a drop-in program with Master Gardeners. Pick-up a compost bin (Howard County residents only) and get information to get started backyard composting.

**Savage Branch Library**  
9525 Durness Lane, Laurel, MD 20723  
**Saturdays Noon - 2:00 PM**  
May 14  
Jun 11  
Jul 9  
Aug 13  
Sept 10  
Oct 8

Along with other Howard County programs, you may get information about starting your backyard composting, pick-up a bin (Howard County residents only) and get how-to tips.

**Alpha Ridge Landfill**  
2350 Marriottsville Rd, Marriottsville, MD 21104  
*Near entrance at gazebo with Rain Barrel distribution*

**Saturdays 9:00 - 11:00 AM**  
April 23  
May 7  
May 14  
May 21  
Jun 4  
Jun 11  
Jun 25  
July 9  
May 21  
Jun 4  
Jun 11  
June 16