

Greening Your Office

Tips by Email

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GREEN TIP #25:

Vermicomposting at Work

Time to celebrate Compost Week! Composting is an important way to recycle -- both at home and at work, where organic material is used and waste is created. It is estimated that about 50 percent of the **total waste stream** could be **composted**! Composting not only helps to reduce the amount of waste going to landfills, it produces a valuable soil amendment which can improve the texture and fertility of the soil. It has many applications including home gardening, landscaping, use in potting soil for the horticultural industry and in agriculture.

Maintenance

- Feed approximately twice a week
- Don't leave unattended too long (need moisture occasionally)
- Suggest rotating responsibility if in workplace
- Daily: check on fruit flies (use traps, bedding on top of food layers to prevent these)

REAPS is available to start and assist with your vermicomposter in your office.

Any Questions or Suggestions? Call or Email us! 250 561 7327 or green_solutions@reaps.org