

## Purchase of Compost Carts

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This proposal would cost \$100 for 2 96-gallon compost carts from the city of Ann Arbor for each kitchen. This is a one-time only purchase and each cart costs \$50. In the future, we can choose to buy more carts should the need arise.

### General facts:

- Carts picked up weekly
- Only picked up from March 31, 2014 to December 5, 2014
- Compost carts come in the sizes 32, 64 and 96 gallon containers
- With preparation, can compost in winter but that is optional

### Pros:

- House generates a lot of food waste that can be used instead of thrown away
- Composting would be done through Ann Arbor so we wouldn't need to maintain our own bin and this would decrease the risk for pests from keeping our own bin

### Cons:

- Could be potentially stinky
  - Sustainability Steward will clean bin every two weeks
- Additional clean shift work to take composting out to bin

Suites could use the house bins but would be responsible to keep the compost bins clean and a composting initiative would be on a voluntary suite by suite basis.