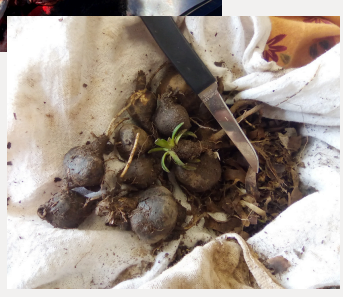
Kitchen Food Waste Pathway

Pre Cooking - Getting Ready

Get your collection stations ready! An easy and clearly labeled bin station for each area of the Longhouse kitechen will make diversion easy. Food Waste, Paper, Tin & Cans, and Landfill

First Foods Bones & Peels

Feast preparation practices are excellent examples of traditional ways of returning food waste. Traditionally, materials like peels, bones, and other non-edible parts of First Foods are returned to the lands.



Meal Preparation Scraps

Other foods are not as sacred, but are still important for keeping our community healthy. While preparing a meal, having a dedicated bucket for vegetable and other food scraps can help make it easy to collect while cooking.

Meat & Fish Grill Scraps

Meat scraps can be used to feed pets and other animals. Meat cooks should be careful to collect scraps when preparing foods. It is helpful to cook them and set them aside for those who want to take them for their pets.

Vegetable Kitchen Scraps

Scraps from vegetables, and grains like bread and rice are easy to compost, and are best collected during cooking before they are thrown away.

Time to Clear Our Plates

Most food waste is collected during meal preparation and during clean up. When your family is done with your meal, scrape leftover food into a special food waste bucket instead of into the garbage.

Dish Pit Last Catch

The last place to keep food waste out of the landfill is when dishes are brought back for cleaning. Having a bucket next to the garbage just for food waste makes it easy to clear dishes of food before being washed.

Longhouse Support

We need everyone to help do their part! This is a big change but will have big benefits, thanks to everyone in our community for doing what you can!

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