Compost

Alliance for a greener South Loop

"What's in the Trash?" Waste Audit

Choose several days this week (one day, three days, or all seven days!) to inventory your waste. Collect your waste as you normally do. Then, go through it to see exactly what there is. Write down how much of each material you find (e.g., X sheets of paper, plastic bottles, tin cans, pounds or cups of food) and how you disposed of it (e.g., threw it away, recycled it, composted it, donated it, etc.). Finally, brainstorm better ways to dispose of the material – or, better yet, to avoid disposing of it at all. We challenge you to reduce, reuse, recycle, re-think, and redesign!

Material	Quantity	Disposal method	Better alternative