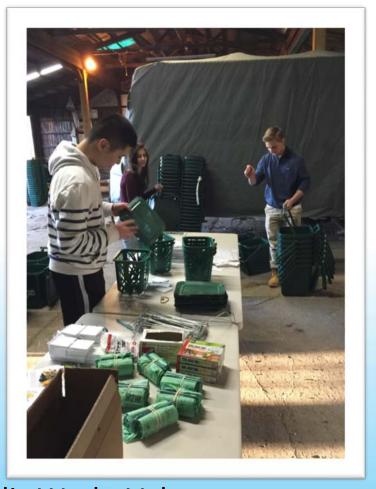


# **Organics Recycling**

- November 14<sup>th</sup> the Town of Newtown and Ridgefield Kicked-off their organics drop-off programs
- ➤ Ridgefield received a CT DEEP Waste Reduction Initiative grant \$13,000
- Newtown has funded their program independently
- Ridgefield charges a \$3 fee (covers hauler and tip fee)
- Newtown does not charge an additional fee
- ➤ The town of Redding is in the process of applying for the CT DEEP Grant, Bethel, Sherman, New Milford and New Fairfield have expressed an interest

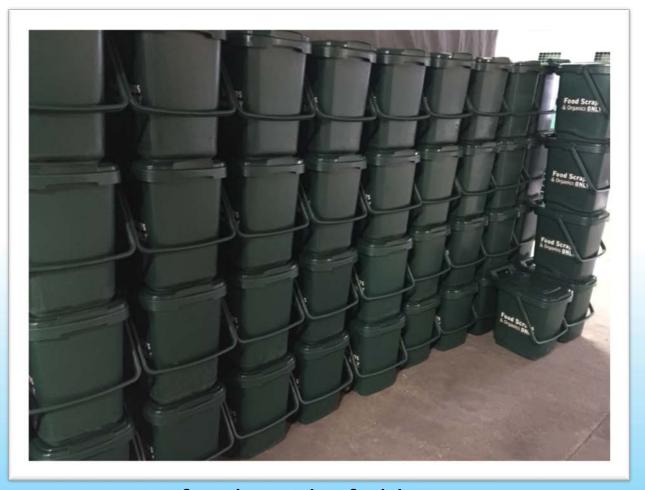






High School and Public Works Volunteers





Kits for the Ridgefield Program





Newtown Public Works – November 14<sup>th</sup> 2015





Contamination at both facilities continues to be a concern



- Contamination can only be resolved through education, and consistent outreach to the residents.
- You can't just drop a can and think the program will run itself
- The transfer station must take some responsibility for what residents are putting in the organics stream
- It will take time to get the programs to pay for themselves and Important that we maintain consistent outreach. Newtown has been proactive using Constant Contacts.



