

# Leaf Management 101



## 1. Compost your leaves.

Mix leaves with other compostable items and spread it on your gardens next year.



## 2. Chop up leaves with your lawn mower.

Leaf fragments won't kill your grass, and this replaces one fertilizer application.



## 3. Use leaves as mulch for gardens.

Leaves provide nutrients and winter protection to your vegetable and flower gardens.



4. Keep drains clean.  
If you must pile leaves in the street for collection, keep them as far away from storm drains as possible.

These simple steps will save you money while keeping our waterways free of nutrients that leach out of leaves as they break down. Feed your lawns & gardens, not our lakes & rivers.