

Today's Lead: City To Expand Composting Pilot

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Bloomberg announced yesterday that the city would [expand](#) its voluntary composting program to Windsor Terrace in Brooklyn and four areas in the Bronx after [successful](#) pilot programs in some city schools, a few residential Manhattan buildings, and a neighborhood in Staten Island. Next spring it will grow to include parts of Queens and more locations in Brooklyn and Staten Island, as long as the next mayor continues the program. Organic waste accounts for 35 percent of the city's landfill-bound garbage, and officials estimate it can [save as much as \\$60 million a year](#) through the composting program. Cities like San Francisco could be a [model](#) for New York as it tries to reduce waste.

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CORRECTION: In yesterday's newsletter, the Gotham Gazette reported erroneously the first name of Obama's adviser. The correct name is David Axelrod, not Daniel Axelrod.

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