



# COMPOST CORNER

## TCNJ Campus Garden Compost

The TCNJ Campus Garden is currently producing an average of 500 lbs. of organic food every year. After the food is grown, it is sent to Mercer Street Friends Food Bank to be picked up by various soup kitchens and food pantries throughout our local community. In addition to growing and distributing food, the garden also serves as a living classroom that fosters an understanding of urban agriculture and sustainability in TCNJ's students throughout their first-year experiences and beyond.

Like all urban agriculture projects, the TCNJ Campus Garden requires an input of compost every year in order to rejuvenate the soil to maintain and increase its yield from the previous season. Previously, the Garden received compost from external sources despite possessing the means to produce its own supply. The TCNJ Campus Garden compost system was installed in the Fall of 2017 and has served as a mechanism for waste reduction as well as a learning tool.

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