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RE: County Compost Bin Sale

With the onset of good weather and yard work, the City of Shelton and the Mason County Recycling Program are teaming up to offer compost bins for sale at a reduced cost. This is one important way homeowners in the County can reduce the material that goes to the transfer station while enhancing their garden areas with their own nutrientrich compost.

The bin that is being offered is the Garden Gourmet, a leading seller in North America. The cost for the bin has gone up from last year due to increased oil prices. We anticipate the bin to cost between \$30-\$40—the more bins we order, the cheaper the cost. This bin normally sells for \$60.00. If you are interested in purchasing a bin, please call (360) 432-5126 and leave your name, phone number, and the number of bins you would like (there is no limit for county residents). We will take names to be included in the order until June 1st. You will then be contacted to confirm your order and asked to send in payment for the bin(s) by June 17th. Remember: You must first call to get your name on the list stating that you are interested in purchasing a compost bin so that you will be included in the order.

City of Shelton residents, please use the form that you received in the spring issue of *Recycle This!*, which came with your utility bill, or you can order one at the Civic Center. Payment is required when you place your order, and there is a two-bin limit per household.

If you would like more information on the compost bin sale or would like more information about composting please call Shannon McClelland, Recycling Coordinator, at (360) 432-5126.

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