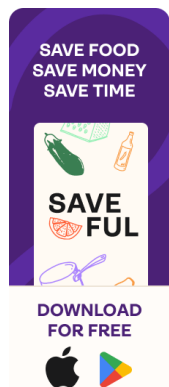


WASTE NOTes

February 2024

Free app to reduce food waste and save money in your kitchen



The Queensland Government has partnered with the Australian Government and Thankful 4 Farmers to support the development of [Saveful](#) – an innovative, free app that will help Queensland households save food, money and time in their kitchens.

The app provides tailor-made recipes to make the most of the ingredients you already have at home based on your taste, cooking skills and budget.

Saveful offers hundreds of flexible suggestions as well as chef hacks, tips and tricks to reduce food waste. It also provides education on where your food comes from and allows you to track your impact by quantifying how much food waste and money you have saved.

[More information](#)

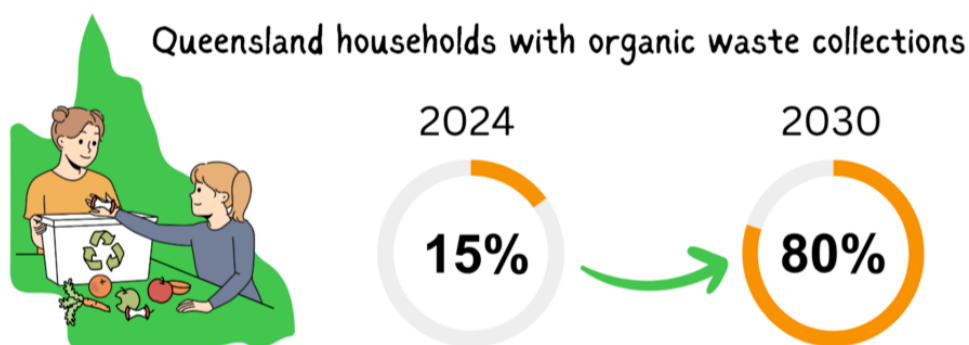
GROW FOGO fund helping create a more sustainable future

The City of Moreton Bay and the City of Ipswich will establish or expand their kerbside organics collection services through the Growing the Recovery of Organic Waste via Food Organic Garden Organic (GROW FOGO) fund.

Councils can apply for the GROW FOGO funding for new organic kerbside bins, kitchen caddies and education programs to help residents make the most of their new bins. The funding can also be used to upgrade existing kerbside bin lids, ensuring consistency in bin lid colours in communities.



When organic materials are recovered for composting, they can be turned into new products and support agriculture. Collecting and recycling organic materials also reduces greenhouse gas emissions and diverts valuable materials from landfill.



[More information](#)

What's on: MARCH



Sunday 3 March



[Clean up Australia day](#)

18-24 March

Monday 18 March

Get your friends, family, neighbours and local community group together to make an impact that improves your environment.

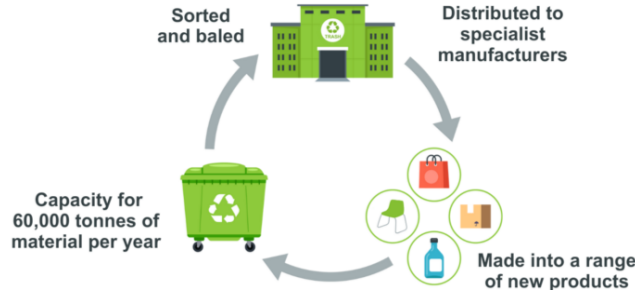
[Food waste action week](#)

Reduce food waste by buying loose fruit and vegetables, and only 'Choose What You'll Use'

[Global Recycling Day](#)

A showcase for the important role recycling plays in contributing to an environmentally stable planet and a greener future.

New Sunshine Coast waste management facility sets new benchmarks



The Sunshine Coast is home to a new, state-of-the-art material recovery facility (MRF) thanks to funding from the Queensland and Australian governments and the Sunshine Coast Regional Council.

The MRF uses optical sorting to sort paper and cardboard at 98 per cent purity – the highest quality of any Australian facility.

The infrastructure can recover valuable resources that can be turned into new products, supporting Queensland on its journey to meet waste targets and create a zero-waste society by 2050.

[More information](#)



Recycling aluminium and steel saves resources and uses less energy than producing these metals from raw materials

Items made from aluminium and steel from around the home, like empty aerosol spray cans, can go in your yellow lid bin.

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