

## How Can You Reduce Your Waste as a Village of Lansing Resident?

Reducing waste is an important step to creating a more sustainable community to live in. Organic waste like food releases methane gas when it decomposes in landfills, and methane gas is a major contributor to climate change. Food that is diverted from landfills and composted properly does not emit methane. Inorganic waste that goes to incinerators causes greenhouse gas emissions because of the combustion of waste. Lastly, more waste creates direct pollution for our community.

So, what opportunities does the Village of Lansing offer to help its residents reduce their waste?

First, the Village Hall at [2405 North Triphammer Road Ithaca, NY 14850-1013](https://www.villageoflansing.org/2405-North-Triphammer-Road-Ithaca-NY-14850-1013) has a food scraps drop-off spot that the Tompkins County Recycling and Materials Management runs. Residents can bring in their food scraps on Saturdays from 10AM-1PM. Food that is collected at these drop-off spots will be properly composted. More information about how to participate can be found here:

<https://recyclecomptomps.org/recycling-and-composting/food-scraps-recycling/>

Second, the Finger Lakes ReUse has a group called, “The Fixers Collective,” that offers free repair of household items like electronics, furniture, small appliances, and more! Every Saturday from 3PM to 5PM at the ReUse Megacenter at the Triphammer Marketplace, the fixers collective come together to help folks fix something that might be broken instead of buying it new and throwing out something that is repairable.

The Fixers Collective is looking for anyone who has things to fix, wants to learn how to repair stuff, and/or wants to join their group. The Village of Lansing encourages residents to utilize this resource to learn about repairing their household items.



More information about this opportunity can be found here:

<https://ithacareuse.org/fixers/>

Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/IthacaFixers/>