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Dear resident of Grundarhverfi in Kjalarnes

The City of Reykjavík is starting a new experimental project that revolves around collecting organic household waste. The project is a part of the city's ongoing action plan which stipulates that the separate collection of organic household waste shall be implemented citywide before 2020. Grundarhverfi is the first neighbourhood in Reykjavík where organic household waste will be collected separately.

There are significant benefits in separating organic waste from other waste. The Álfnes Biogas and Composting Plant, which is currently under construction, will eventually be able to accept specific waste streams and keep them separate in order to produce methane gas and soil improver.

The project will be ongoing until approximately the middle of next year, or until the Álfnes Biogas and Composting Plant has been opened for business. All organic household waste resulting from the project will be composted in cooperation with Íslenska Gámafélagið. The knowledge gained by the project will be used to implement organic household waste collection throughout the city.

All dates and relevant information concerning the project are listed below:

- On October 30, a neighbourhood meeting was held in Fólkvangur.
- Once the project starts, indoor receptacles will be distributed to all households in Grundarhverfi, along with a roll of biodegradable corn-based bags.
- To diminish odour and keep the organic compartment of the waste container clean, tie the bags shut before placing them in the waste container. Never use plastic bags, only paper bags or biodegradable corn-based bags.
- New waste containers will be distributed to all households during the week of November 11-16. Single family homes will be given a split waste container, where one of the compartments is intended for organic household waste. In multi-family homes, one or two of the standard waste containers will be replaced with brown containers that are intended for organic household waste. Once the new waste containers have arrived, the sorting can begin. There will be no change in fees for the duration of the project.
- Waste collection schedules will stay the same and a special twofold waste collection vehicle will be used to collect waste.
- All receptacles and containers will be labelled with sorting instructions. These instructions can also be found on the other side of this letter and on the website www.ekkiru.is.

If you require more information or you wish to submit a comment or complaint, call 411 1111 or contact the Reykjavík Waste Collection Authority using the email address sorphirda@reykjavik.is.

**Thank you for taking part in
this project with us.**



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