



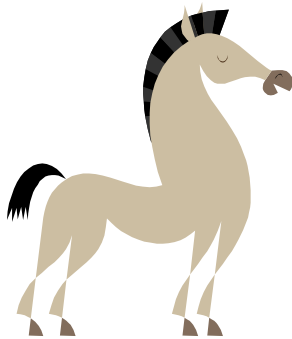
Mason Conservation District

# Manure Exchange Program

Are you are a livestock owner interested in off-loading some of the manure produced on your site?

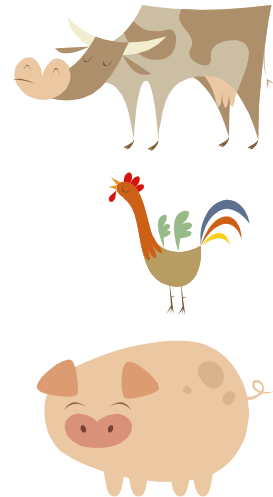


A local gardener or landscaper interested in obtaining a free nutrient source to enhance your garden or landscape?



Mason Conservation District's **Manure Exchange Program** is a community resource connecting local farmers who have excess manure on their site with local gardeners who need this resource to improve soil in gardens and landscapes. We maintain a list of livestock owners and their contact information which is available on request.

**NOTE:** The age of the manure available through the **Manure Exchange Program** varies. If you are dealing with fresh, untreated manure please be aware that pathogens and weed seeds may not have been completely killed off. In order to make raw manure useful in the garden it will need to be composted. To do this, place the pile in a high, well-drained location and cover it with a tarp for at least 60 days. The compost should stay moist, not wet, and be turned regularly to allow oxygen to enter the pile. Well-oxygenated manure piles will generate high heats to kill off pathogens and weed seeds. The end result will be dark, crumbly, and earth-smelling.



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