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## City of Pleasant Hill giving away wood chip mulch, compost

**PLEASANT HILL, Iowa** – The City of Pleasant Hill will be offering free wood chip mulch and compost for residents on Saturday, Apr. 29 from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. in the parking lot west of the library. The compost given away is in partnership with Metro Waste Authority and is a natural soil fertilizer made from yard waste collected through the Compost It! program.

"Providing compost and wood chip mulch is a great way for residents to beautify their gardens and improve soil quality," said Heath Ellis Parks Supervisor. "If residents add compost to their garden or flower bed, it will save water, improve water quality, and help them grow healthy plants. It is also important to add natural items such as wood chip mulch back into the environment because it builds stable humus to the soil, retaining moisture during the summer."

The Levis-N-Lace 4-H Club will be on site on April 29 to help residents load the compost and mulch. Bags will be provided for residents needing a smaller quantity. The wood chip mulch and compost will be available, while supplies last.