



It's a "Wormy World" Book Worm Bin

Why would
YOU want WORMS?
*Living in your house,
garage, shed or yard . . .*

*(Besides supporting the Friends of the
Blaine Library Worm Bin Project)*

According to the Environmental Protection Agency, **food** is the biggest ingredient in American trash. Currently, more than 35% of the *average* garbage can is filled with kitchen scraps—scraps that could be diverted from the landfill altogether by implementing composting methods for disposal.

Worms are a great addition to your environmentally friendly lifestyle . . .

- They eat up all your kitchen scraps and newspaper/cardboard scraps, plus they are quiet! Never have to be walked, aren't picky about their food, don't need daycare and their poop makes an unbeatable fertilizer for your garden or houseplants.
- Educational—it's hard to beat the fun and learning experience of watching all your kitchen scraps melt away into a rich, fully safe material to use in your garden.
- Their worm "castings" and "tea" are a great nutritional supplement (fertilizer).

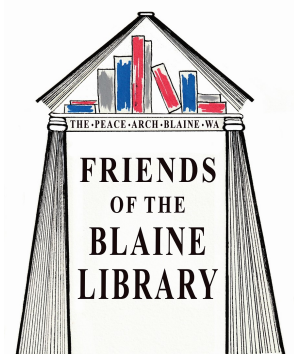
What is the FOBL Book Worm Bin Project??

A collaborative project with Blaine C.O.R.E.

- 1) the WCLS is retiring the book tote boxes that are used to transport books between branches. They wanted to find a use for them, that would keep them out of the landfill.
- 2) Blaine Community Organization for Resources and Education developed the idea of making the boxes into worm bins (composters). Thus creating the idea of a "kit".
- 3) Blaine CORE will donate the parts and labor required to modify the tote boxes and provide the printed materials and worms for the kits.
- 4) Blaine CORE is volunteering to be at public events to assist with sales of Book Worm Bins & provide Technical/Educational support.



Blaine CORE—www.nwcore.org



<http://blainelibraryfriends.org>

The Whatcom County Library System and The Friends of the Blaine Library are thrilled to be participating in this MAJOR recycling project. Keeping nearly 1,000 plastic totes out of the landfill. Please join us as we “green up” Whatcom and get wormy with the **Bookworm Bin Project**

Portable Indoor

Bookworm Worm Kit

(can be moved outside during warmer temperatures) extremely portable, easy to manage. Can compost 8-10 lbs. of material per week. This is temperature and population dependent.

YOUR WORM BIN KIT \$50

will include:

- Three recycled “book tote boxes” from the Whatcom County Public Library, drilled and prepared to easily set up and start your very own worm composter
- Shredded newspaper & cardboard
- WORMS—Red wigglers, 100+
- Detailed instructions on setting up your worm bin
- Frequently asked questions sheet
- Information sheet on worms

Outdoor Installation

in your Garden or Raised Bed

Placed into the soil, it can be removed to be relocated, if needed. Can compost 8-10 lbs. of material per week. This is temperature and population dependent.

This bin will allow you to directly compost into the soil and secure the materials from rats, mice, birds, raccoons, etc.

YOUR OUTDOOR WORM BIN \$20

Will include:

- One recycled “book tote box” from the Whatcom County Public Library, prepared to be used as an in-ground composter.
- Shredded newspaper & cardboard
- Detailed instructions on setting up your worm bin
- Frequently asked questions
- Information sheet on worms.

Just a few of the things you can feed your worms.

