

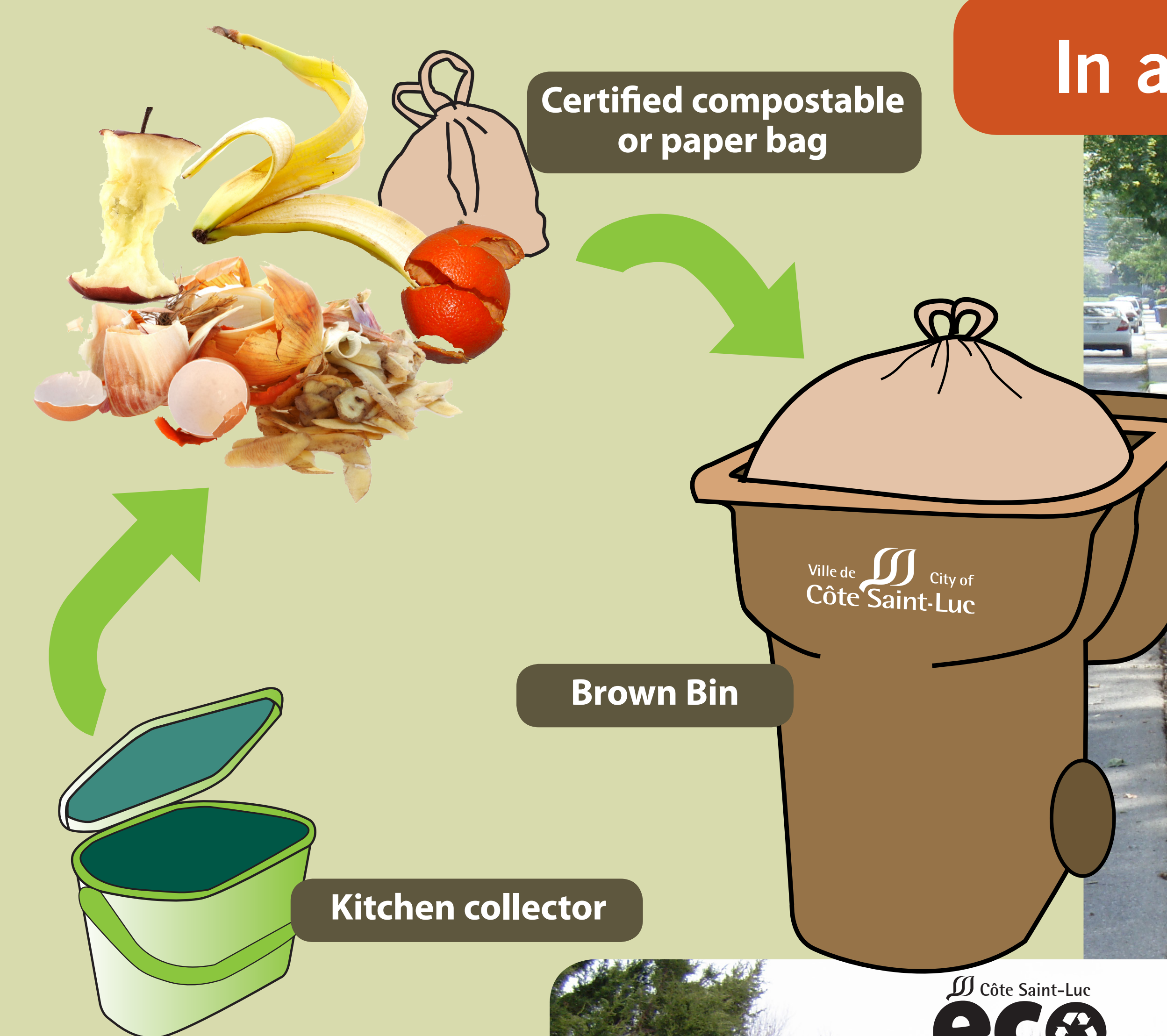
# Pioneers of Organic Waste Collection in Quebec

Authors: Steven Erdelyi, Dida Berku, Juliana Costa, Oriana Familiar

In October 2008, the City of Côte Saint-Luc (CSL) became the first municipality on the island of Montreal to implement the collection/transport of organic waste for all single family homes and duplexes after a successful pilot project. The project implementation included a public awareness campaign, research of treatment sites, employee training, volunteer coordination and the adoption of a comprehensive waste by-law (#2302). Current results show a reduction of the amount of waste dumped into landfills, as well as a production of quality compost.

CSL is preparing the next phase of the project: expanding organic waste collection for townhouses, schools, residences for seniors, and municipal buildings/programs (e.g. community gardens, summer camps). Furthermore, CSL has developed a turn-key program (communication tools and implementation), easily adaptable by other municipalities, to start their own organic waste collection project.

## Inform and instruct



## In action



## In the news



## By the numbers

metric tonnes

Year	Recycling	Garbage	Organic Waste (Brown Bin)
2006	1125	11124	N/A
2007	1874	11746	28
2008	1991	11349	287
2009	2006	9815	1165
2010	1898	8770	1280

