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You have had your fun carving out your pumpkin and appreciating its beauty while lit up in the dark. A little too much candy, scaring a few trick-or-treaters and now you have a half-frozen pumpkin that you need to do something with. Below are several good ideas to take care of your pumpkin and ensure you recycle on Halloween:

- **Make pumpkin soup** - Check the web to find several tasty recipes.
- **Make pumpkin pie** – Scoop out the insides and make a pie. Thanksgiving is just around the corner and it is not too early for pumpkin pie.
- **Save the seeds to plant next year** – Put the seeds in a safe, dry space and plant in your garden next spring.
- **Roast the seeds** – Save the seeds when carving, put on a tray, season with salt and any other seasonings you like and roast.
- **Feed the animals** – Deer and other wildlife will be happy to eat your pumpkin and the left-over seeds can go to the birds.
- **Compost** – Break up the pumpkin into smaller pieces and throw into your compost bin.
- **Think durable** – Candy bins and bags should be plastic/cloth so that you can use year after year.
- **Be costume smart** – Instead of buying the costume that you will only wear once, consider using old clothes and get creative on that costume. If you do purchase a costume, donate it back to thrift stores and places specializing in costumes for someone else to use in the future.



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