



**City of Merriam Kansas
2025 Compost Bin/Workshop Rebate
Application**

Merriam Community Development
9001 W. 62nd Street, Merriam, KS 66202
Phone (913) 322-5520 Fax (913) 322-5505

Property Owner:

Address:

City/State/Zip: **Merriam, KS**

Email Address:

Phone #:

To further promote composting, the city will provide a rebate of up to \$150 to residents that attend a workshop on composting and install a compost bin.

The City of Merriam working to educate residents on the benefits of composting. Composting enriches soil, helps retain moisture, and reduces the need for chemical fertilizers. The city hopes to partner with local Master Gardener to conduct on-line workshops on how leaves, grass, and shrubbery trimmings can be turned into a valuable garden resource.

Eligibility Requirements:

- Applicant must be a Merriam resident who lives in a single-family home or duplex
- No more than one application per household
- Applicants must attend a city endorsed composting workshop
- Applicants must provide a paid receipt for the purchase of a compost bin or materials
- Materials must be sturdy such as hard plastic, wood or composite and have a lid
- Staff will perform a post project inspection to verify project completion
- Compost bin must be setback 7 feet from rear and side property lines and 10 feet from a residence
- You will be notified of the date and time of the workshop
- Applications will be accepted from January 2, 2025 to September 30, 2025

I have read, understand, and agree to the terms and conditions of this rebate program.

Date attended composting workshop _____

Property Owner Signature: _____ Date: _____

FOR CITY STAFF ONLY

Received by:

Date:

Resident attended a Workshop _____ Provided Receipt for Compost Bin Installation ____

Amount Requested \$:

Amount Approved \$:

Authorized By:

Date:

2025 Residential Compost Bin Rebate Program

- Encourage backyard composting among our residents by incentivizing the purchase of compost bins or the materials to make a bin
- **Applications will be accepted from January 2, 2025 to September 30, 2025**

Program:

- Provide knowledge and incentives for composting
- Total annual program funding - \$4,000
- Households that attend a city approved workshop and installs a compost bin can receive a rebate of up to \$150 for the purchase materials to construct and install a compost bin

Compost Bin Workshop Process:

- Workshop details will be announced and available on city's website www.merriam.org
- Applicants must provide proof of Merriam residency
- Attendance will be taken at the on-line workshop
- Attendees must be present for the entire workshop

Eligibility for Compost Bin Installation Rebate:

- Applicants must live in single-family or duplex property within the City of Merriam
- Applicant must attend a city sanctioned composting workshop and install a compost bin
- Only one compost bin rebate per address, per year

Compost Bin Rebate Process:

- Prior to the installation of a compost bin the resident submits an application to Community Development Department
- Applicants will be reimbursed on a first come, first served basis until program funds are completely allocated
- Applicants must provide a **PAID** receipt of purchase for a compost bin or materials to build a compost bin
- Compost bins must be installed in 2025
- All compost bins must be built of sturdy materials, hard plastic, wood or a composite material and have a lid
- Compost bin must be setback 7 feet from rear and side property lines and 10 feet from a residence
- Prior to issuance of the rebate, city staff will perform an inspection to verify the installation meets city code
- Costs for ancillary or additional composting supplies or services are not eligible for the incentive
- The City of Merriam is not a manufacturer, supplier or guarantor of compost bins and makes no representations or warranties of any nature, directly or indirectly, express or implied as to performance, reliability, performance, durability, condition or quality of any compost bin or manufacturer.

The city can at any time, without prior notice and at its sole discretion, modify or eliminate this program. State and local grants are ordinarily taxable for federal income purposes. If awarded, the City will report the grant to the IRS and send you a Federal IRS Form 1099. Please consult a tax professional if you have questions about any possible tax liability you may incur.