

City of Merriam Kansas 2026 Outdoor Compost Bin/Workshop Rebate Application

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Property Owner:	
Address:	
City/State/Zip: Merriam, KS	
Email Address:	Phone #:

The city will provide a rebate of up to \$150 to residents who attend a virtual workshop on composting and install an outdoor compost bin. You must attend one of the city sponsored workshops to be eligible for the rebate. Below are the workshop dates. The links to the virtual workshops can be found on the city's Outdoor Compost Bin webpage on the city's website.

Virtual Compost Bin Workshop dates:

- May 13, 2026
- August 12, 2026

Eligibility Requirements:

- Applicant must be a Merriam resident who lives in a single- or two-family dwelling
- No more than one application per household
- Applicants must attend one of the city sponsored composting virtual workshop. Dates listed above
- 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 installed outdoors
- Compost bin must be setback 7 feet from rear and side property lines and 10 feet from a residence
- Applications will be accepted from February 16, 2026 to October 2, 2026

I have read, understand, and agree to the terms and conditions of this rebate program.		
Date attended composting workshop		
Property Owner Signature:	Date:	
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FOR CITY STAFF ONLY		
Received by:	Date:	
Resident attended a Workshop Provided Receipt for Compost Bin Installation		
Amount Requested \$:	Amount Approved \$:	
Authorized By:	Date:	

2026 Residential Outdoor 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 February 16, 2026 to October 2, 2026

Program:

- Provide knowledge and incentives for composting
- Total annual program funding \$2,000
- Households that attend a city approved workshop and install a compost bin can receive a rebate of up to \$150 for the purchase materials to construct and install a compost bin

Compost Bin Virtual Workshop Process:

- Virtual 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 virtual workshop
- Attendees must be present for the entire workshop

Eligibility for Compost Bin Installation Rebate:

- Applicants must live in single- or two-family dwelling within the City of Merriam
- Applicants must attend a city sponsored composting virtual 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 must submit an application to the 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 2026
- Compost bin must be installed outdoors
- Compost bin 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.