



Compost Bin Incentive Program Guidelines

The purpose of the City of Foster City Compost Bin Incentive Program is to provide a one-time, \$40 per household incentive to residents who choose to purchase a home composting bin with a cost of at least \$40. The following guidelines govern the specific procedures and qualifications for this incentive program.

Incentive funding will be authorized by the City Council on an annual basis for a period of July 1 through June 30. The incentive program may be terminated at any time without notice.

1. Eligibility

- a. Applicants must live in a residential property within the borders of incorporated Foster City.
- b. Applicants must attend a San Mateo County Compost Workshop or otherwise demonstrate baseline knowledge of composting fundamentals. Compost Workshops are offered regularly by San Mateo County and the schedule can be found at www.smcsustainability.org/waste-reduction.
- c. Incentives are available for qualifying purchases made to participating vendor(s) after July 1, 2017 until the program is terminated.
- d. No more than one incentive shall be approved per household address.

2. Incentive Process

- a. Foster City residents are eligible for a \$40 incentive from the City toward the purchase of a compost bin, worm compost bin, or compost tumbler.
 - 1) Residents who attend a San Mateo County-sponsored composting workshop automatically qualify for the incentive.
 - 2) Residents who do not attend a San Mateo County Compost Workshop can contact the Foster City Public Works Department at (650) 286-3270 and demonstrate a baseline knowledge of composting fundamentals.
- b. Only traditional or worm compost bin purchases through the City's agreement with Triformis Corporation will qualify for the incentive.
- c. Foster City residents must call Triformis Corporation to place an order.
 - i. Phone Number: (310) 641-6767

3. Other Program Parameters

- a. Costs for ancillary composting supplies or services are not eligible for the incentive.
- b. Incentive may be combined with other funding available from City of Foster City, County of San Mateo, or other programs, unless expressly prohibited.
- c. Incentives have a maximum value of \$40 toward the actual cost to the resident of a compost bin purchased through the City's agreement with Triformis Corporation. The incentive can cover up to the total cost of the item but will not provide a cash incentive above the invoiced cost.
- d. The City of Foster City is not a manufacturer, supplier, or guarantor of compost bins. The City of Foster City 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.
- e. Foster City Compost Bin Incentive Program and Program Guidelines are subject to change without prior notice, and the City of Foster City reserves the right to refuse any application or request for incentive payment for items that do not meet all program requirements.