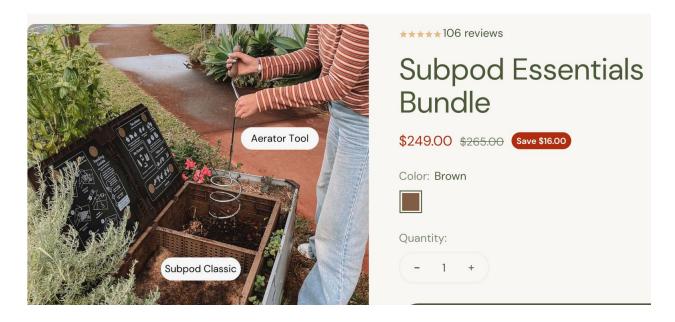
## Subpod Proposal

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Install unit in raised bed at City Operations Center near main public entrance Goal: to raise awareness of composting methods and increase use by city employees and the public

Why Subpod? This unit is more appealing than an open structure or other bin which may require more maintenance.



Subpod Essentials Bundle - Subpod Compost

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Composting can't get any easier with the Subpod, this one of a kind in-ground compost bin! Ditch the bulky bins, large piles, and pesky tumblers for good. The Subpod makes it easy and convenient to break down your organic waste and food scraps and turn them into nutrient-rich composting soil that helps plants thrive.

Worms and microbes work together inside the bin to compost your food waste lightening fast and 100% odorless!

• Smell-free and pest-proof

- Composts up to 34lbs of food waste a week
- Suitable for households of 1-6 people
- Dual compost chambers
- Low maintenance (about 5 minutes a week)
- Food-grade stainless steel aerator included
- 2 worm blankets included

The holes around the Subpod's base allow for compost worms to travel into the surrounding garden soil, spreading nutrients and promoting plant growth.

One Subpod can compost the food waste from a family of 4 every week!

Typical compost bins and piles are bulky, difficult to use, smelly, and tough to keep pests out of. Make the switch to a Subpod for fast and easy compost!

\*worms are not included in this bundle.

Please note: Your aerator will ship separately in August. An Aerator is not required for the first month while worms settle in and your waste is low. In the meantime, a small garden hand spade, trowel, or gloves will be able to effectively turn the compost. Here is a handy video to assist you in the meantime: <a href="https://youtu.be/KDYH41YOeck">https://youtu.be/KDYH41YOeck</a>

The Essentials Bundle includes: 1 Subpod & 1 Aerator



The included aerator keeps your system perfectly maintained by adding air to the soil. Air is needed in soil and compost to keep good bacteria alive.

Size: Length 29.5in x Width 17.7in x Height 16.9in

## How Subpod works:

Subpod works like a small factory. Your compost worms (not included with purchase) and neighboring microbes take food scraps and carbon items (like paper, leaves and other browns) and turn it into nutrient-rich composting soil that can be used to naturally fertilize your garden, houseplants, or yard!

The Subpod is an underground system, which makes it completely unique compared to others! By being underground, it creates a natural environment for the composting worms and other insects and microbes. Having access to the soil around them means they can feed and breed as rapidly as they'd like. Soil is an insulator, and in hot weather, compost worms will instinctively escape into soil to cool down. During winter, the pod will keep your worms warm and active (as long as the soil doesn't freeze). Every time your worms leave the Subpod, their movement naturally aerates your garden soil and increases its nutrient content.