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Members of the Kansas City, Missouri, City Council  
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Dear Mayor and Members of the City Council,

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KC Can Compost is a Kansas City-based nonprofit social enterprise that has built visible, community-facing food waste diversion infrastructure across the region. Through our residential drop-off program, municipal partnerships, commercial composting services, and major event collection, KC Can has helped make composting more accessible, more practical, and more visible in everyday life. Our bright orange collection cans have become a recognizable public signal for organics diversion across the metro. What makes KC Can especially valuable in the Kansas City area is that our work extends beyond collection alone. In addition to building and operating composting infrastructure, KC Can also invests in workforce development through Green Core Training, helping connect environmental solutions with economic opportunity. As Kansas City prepares for the 2026 FIFA World Cup, KC Can is helping expand that infrastructure and service model at scale through compost collection systems for Fan Festival, at the stadium, and related events.

KC Can also has a strong, established relationship with EPA. Most recently, EPA Region 7 publicly highlighted KC Can through its Feed It Onward initiative and guest commentary in The Kansas City Star written by Region 7 Administrator Jim Macy. That commentary recognized KC Can as one of EPA's Kansas City-based partners and pointed to the organization's leadership in practical, local food waste solutions. EPA has also toured KC Can's warehouse as part of a regional composting and food systems tour and supported the advancement of our Green Core Training with an Environmental Justice grant.

Approving this subaward would support an organization with a proven record of service, innovation, and partnership. KC Can is helping Kansas City reduce landfill waste, lower greenhouse gas emissions, expand environmental justice, and create meaningful workforce pathways for residents who have too often been left out of economic opportunity.

Thank you for your consideration and for your leadership in advancing practical, community-based environmental solutions for Kansas City.

Sincerely,

Kristan Chamberlain  
CEO and Co-Founder  
KC Can Compost