

Composting Pick Up Pilot in 11 DCPS Schools: A Preview of Successes and Challenges

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The DC Department of General Services (DGS) is the “landlord” of the government buildings – including DCPS Schools





DGS provides recycling services, supplies,
and support to DCPS

<http://dgs.dc.gov/page/healthy-schools>



And now... composting!

DGS supports on-site composting @ school gardens w/ OSSE – bins by ECO-City Farm



DGS this year started an all new 11
school pick up pilot program for DCPS
– each school's story is different!



Story 1: Stoddert Elementary



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Story 2: Shepherd Elementary



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Story 3: Cardozo High School



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Yet every story is similar – we have identified 3 success factors which need to be addressed in order to take the pilot “to scale”

Challenge 1: BUDGET

***Do we really need to use compostable bags?



Challenge 2: BUY IN



Challenge 3: BOOTS ON THE GROUND



Please share your thoughts!

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