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Company/Organization: Sunrise Labs
Type of organization: Business
Number of Employees: fewer than 80

Category: Environment

Challenge or Opportunity: Sunrise started a composting program to reduce the amount of waste we produce. Compost bins were purchased and employee adoption was quick and natural. Most compost goes to an employee’s chicken farm and composting system. In full cycle, eggs are brought back to Sunrise and sold to defray the cost of chicken feed.

Approach or Solution: A 2-gallon sized bin system was assembled on the side of a kitchen cabinet for ease of use. This size is manageable for transport and can be sanitized in a dishwasher. Five containers allows for convenient rotation and provides opportunity for employees to bring compost home to their own piles!

Impact: Sunrise has saved 10 -13 gallons of organic waste per week from going into the dumpster and into a landfill! This program created an opportunity for a shared connection to the cycle of life and sustainable farming practices. We are rewarded with rich organic eggs and beautiful living soil!