

Join the Association of Compost Producers and Increase the Value and Volume of Compost Used in California

The Association of Compost Producers (ACP)

www.healthysoil.org, is the official state chapter of the US Composting Council, www.compostingcouncil.org. USCC Members in good standing are automatically a national member of ACP. California is the 10th largest economy in the world, with more than 10 percent of the U.S. economy, and the largest agricultural economy in the U.S. In addition, California has the leading (and some might say most strict) environmental regulations of any state in the Union. ACP has its finger on the pulse of the critical issues concerning all composters, and advocates continually for expansion of compost use.

ACP works for you to break down barriers to increased compost use in California

For these important reasons, California composters will want to invest in compost market growth and sustainability through the activities of ACP, as their state representative. ACP engages in activities that increase the volume and value of compost used in this state and to break down barriers to increased compost use.

Upgrade your State Chapter investment TODAY!
Enhance your current National level to a California Supporting level of membership, and receive

ACP Mission:

The Association of Compost Producers (ACP) is a non-profit association of public and private organizations dedicated to increasing the quality, value and amount of compost being used in California. ACP is the official state chapter of the US Composting Council. We do promote activities and regulations that build healthy soil with compost, benefiting people and the environment. ACP members work and invest together to increase compost markets and improve compost product and manufacturing standards. The association provides education and communication on compost benefits & proper use through support of scientific research and legislation aligned with developing and expanding quality compost markets.

National Member Benefits:

- **Quarterly newsletter**, state representation to USCC and a representative on ACP Board

California Supporting Member Benefits:

- **Monthly Member Meetings:** Participation in ACP monthly member meetings to interact, collaborate and work ongoing with your compost producer colleagues
- **Compost Marketing Program:** Leverage your organization's marketing dollars, by pooling your dues investment with other composters to help expand overall compost awareness and use in the marketplace
- **Professional Involvement and Consultation** with ACP staff to support your organization's compost producing and end-use expansion efforts
- **Organizational Assistance:** Cost effective strategic and tactical California compost market expansion services from ACP's experienced members and professional staff
- **Professional Representation** at the California State level on compost projects by ACP paid staff
- **Participation in State Funded Projects:** Be technical advisors to State-funded compost market expansion projects in which ACP members and professionals are engaged
- **ACP Board Participation:** Potential for leadership in the State Association Board of Directors to guide the strategy and tactics of the policies and initiatives of ACP

California Supporting Membership Investment:

Your dues provide funding for professional ACP staff activities that expand California compost markets, monitor and influence relevant regulations, and promote the compost product use and the compost industry as a whole. As a USCC Member in good standing, you are automatically a **National** member of ACP. **Please use this application to expand your investment in growing California compost markets**, by making a relatively small annual investment, scaled to your organization's size, through your official California State Chapter, the **Association of Compost Producers**.

Depending on your organization type and the amount of compostable organics generated, processed composted, and/or compost, equipment or services sold in California, will determine your level of membership — *your compost market expansion co-investment* — as shown in the following table:

California State Chapter Supporting Annual Dues Levels

Member Level		Composter/Processor (cu yds annually) Generator (tons/year) †	Annual Dues ††
1	Large Organization	> 75,000	\$5,000
2	Medium Organization	> 12,500	\$2,500
3	Small Organization	< 12,500	\$1,000
4	Non-Organic Business	N/A	\$500
5	University & Non-Profits		\$500
6	Individual (non-voting)		\$200
7	Students (non-voting)		\$50

† Generators provide biosolids, food scraps, green material or manure that is processed and manufactured into compost, or land applied or used for energy.

†† These amounts are the annual member investment based on your organization's size; with the option of submitting payment in one lump sum each year, or being billed monthly, at \$90.00 per month, for each \$1,000 of annual dues.

Turning Possibilities into Results...

...working together to build sustainable compost markets for you in California!

To Join with us as a Supporting Member of Your USCC CA State Chapter:

- Fill out and return the “ACP Supporting Member Application”, or
- Fill out the online form at: www.healthysoil.org/joiningacp





Supporting Membership Application

Applicant Information

Company Name:		Check One (Organization Type): <input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Business <input type="checkbox"/> Other	
Mailing Address:			
City:	State:	ZIP:	
Name of Primary Contact:		Phone No.:	
E-Mail Address:		Fax No.:	
Additional Contact:		Phone No.:	
Additional Contact:		Phone No.:	

Operation Size (Check One)

(by tons of total compostable or composted green, food waste, animal manure, or biosolids material handled per year)

Check One	Size of Organics Generation, Processing or Marketing Operation
	1. Large (more than 100,000 tons)
	2. Medium (25,000 to 100,000 tons)
	3. Small (less than 25,000 tons)
	4. Associate (Company Type: _____)
	5. Individual/Professional/Student

Project Interest – Which projects would you like your annual dues or additional funding to be put towards? (see "ACP - Steps" Monthly Documents, or Annual Reports for project types)

Project	Priority

By signing below, the New Member Representative is agreeing to pay an annual membership invoice based on the size of the company or government entity they represent. Monthly meetings are held the 4th Wednesday of each month at member or affiliate locations announced each month. *Member participation and leadership is strongly encouraged.*

Signature of New Member Representative:	Date:
Signature of ACP Representative:	Date:

SCAN & EMAIL, OR MAIL TO:

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