Community Composting for Green Spaces Grant Program Submitted Applicant Listing, Fiscal Year 2021–22

The Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) offers the Community Composting for Green Spaces Grant Program pursuant to Public Resources Code section 42999. The purpose of this competitive grant program is to increase the number of community groups operating small-scale composting programs in green spaces within priority populations, and to increase the capacity of those composting programs. Green spaces include, but are not limited to, community gardens, urban farms, and other public spaces where small-scale composting is appropriate.

CalRecycle will award \$4,240,000 in Community Composting for Green Spaces grants, Cycle 2 (CCG2) for community composting projects to create, improve, or expand community composting at multiple sites within a geographic Region in California. All applicants/grantees are required to prioritize projects within priority populations.

Award amounts for CCG2 are determined by Region as defined for this program. Applicants were allowed to apply for multiple Regions. CalRecycle will award the full amount for the Region to the applicant with the highest scoring project application in that Region.

The applications submitted for CCG2 are shown in the following table.

Region	Applicant	Project Summary (as submitted by the applicant)
Central Sierra	California Alliance for Community Composting	This project engages with numerous well established community gardens, urban agriculture, and county waste agency sites in all Central Sierra regional counties, taking advantage of years of work and community investment in these programs. These programs serve priority populations including schools, tribes, immigrants, refugees and disenfranchised communities of color. Our efforts are integrated with existing efforts to divert compostable materials in the community, and route those materials to sites within the community to build soil, climate resilience and food security.
Greater Los Angeles Area	LA Compost	Since 2013, LA Compost has supported a network of over 50 community level composting site locations across Los Angeles County. These community

composting sites provide residents and businesses with a community-scale option for turning food scraps and other organic materials into a resource for local food production, soil health enhancement and community development. For the CalRecycle Community Composting for Green Spaces Round II Grant Program, LA Compost will serve as Lead Applicant and project administrator to disperse \$1,232,000 in staffing and materials support to an estimated 70 community composting Project Site locations across the Greater Los Angeles Region, which includes Los Angeles County, Ventura County, Santa Barbara County and Orange County. Specifically, LA Compost will support the ongoing maintenance, staffing and capacity expansion of up to 50 Project Sites within Los Angeles County and up to 20 Project Sites across the less populous Ventura, Santa Barbara and Orange Counties. At least 80 percent of LA Compost Project Site applicants and locations will qualify as Priority Population communities according to the updated version of the California Air Resources Board (CARB) Priority Populations 2022 CES 4.0 mapping tool (Priority Populations mapping tool) indicators. LA Compost will prioritize Priority Populations categorized as Disadvantaged Communities. Inland Integrative Development The Integrative Development Initiative **Empire** Initiative (fiscal sponsor: dA (IDI; fiscally sponsored by the dA Center center for the Arts) for the Arts) proposes to support 25+ green spaces across the Inland Empire

		in launching, improving, or expanding community composting programs. IDI proposes to partner and collaborate with community and environmental justice leaders, from the Center for Community Action and Environmental Justice, the Ecological Agriculture Training Cultural Center & Farm, the Garcia Center for the Arts, Huerta del Valle, and the Upland Farm to School Program to support. Together we hope to promote deep systems transformation through community farming and composting that centers strategic vision, interdependence & relationship building, knowledge sharing & collaborative learning, and community & environmental health.
Inland Empire	California Alliance for Community Composting	This project engages with numerous well established community gardens and urban agriculture sites within San Bernardino and Riverside counties, taking advantage of years of work and community investment in these programs. These programs serve priority populations including schools, tribes, immigrants, refugees and disenfranchised communities of color. Our efforts are integrated with Desert Compost's existing efforts to divert compostable materials in the community, and route those materials to sites within the community to build soil, climate resilience and food security.
Northern Area	California Alliance for Community Composting	This project engages with numerous well established community gardens, urban agriculture, and county waste agency sites in Humboldt, Shasta, Trinity, and Butte counties, taking advantage of years of work and community investment in these programs. These programs serve priority populations including schools, tribes, immigrants, refugees and disenfranchised communities of color. Our efforts are

		integrated with existing efforts to divert compostable materials in the community, and route those materials to sites within the community to build soil, climate resilience and food security.
Sacramento Valley	California Alliance for Community Composting	This project engages with numerous well established community garden and urban agriculture sites within and nearby to the City of Sacramento, as well as the City of West Sacramento, taking advantage of years of work and community investment in these programs. These programs serve priority populations including schools, immigrants, refugees and disenfranchised communities of color. Our efforts are integrated with existing efforts to divert compostable materials in the community, and route those materials to sites within the community to build soil, climate resilience and food security.
San Diego and Imperial Area	California Alliance for Community Composting	This project engages with numerous well established community garden and urban agriculture sites within San Diego and Imperial counties, taking advantage of years of work and community investment in from Solana Center, Food2Soil, and UC Master Gardeners of Imperial County. These programs serve priority populations including schools, immigrants, tribes, refugees and disenfranchised communities of color. Our efforts are integrated with existing efforts to divert compostable materials in the community, and route those materials to sites within the community to build soil, climate resilience and food security.
San Diego and Imperial Area	South Bay Sustainable Communities Network	South Bay Sustainable Communities Network's grant proposal seeks to meet the needs of the city and state's Climate Action Plan and help implement SB1383 by expanding our community

		composting hub network to engage with 50% priority population residents and local schools. We will educate on the importance of urban trees by gifting 200 trees to local residents and provide a series of educational tree planting and composting workshops. Each one of the compost hubs and newly planted trees will be serviced and maintained by our non-lead participating, workforce development partner, the McAlister Institute.
San Francisco Bay Area	California Alliance for Community Composting	This project engages with numerous well established community gardens, urban agriculture, school, and prison sites in the Greater Bay Area, taking advantage of years of work and community investment in these programs. These programs serve priority populations including schools, immigrants, refugees and disenfranchised communities of color. Our efforts are integrated with existing efforts to divert compostable materials in the community, and route those materials to sites within the community to build soil, climate resilience and food security.
San Joaquin Valley	California Alliance for Community Composting	This project engages with numerous well established community gardens, urban agriculture, and prison sites in all San Joaquin region counties, taking advantage of years of work and community investment in these programs. These programs serve priority populations including schools, immigrants, refugees and disenfranchised communities of color. Our efforts are integrated with existing efforts to divert compostable materials in the community, and route those materials to sites within the community to build soil, climate resilience and food security.

Regions are defined and award amounts are shown for CCG2 in the following table.

Region	Counties Included	Allocation
Inland Empire	Riverside and San Bernardino	\$547,000
Greater Los Angeles Area	Los Angeles, Orange, Santa Barbara, and Ventura	\$1,232,000
San Diego and Imperial Area	San Diego and Imperial	\$365,000
Sacramento Valley	Butte, Colusa, El Dorado, Glenn, Placer, Sacramento, Shasta, Sutter, Tehama, Yolo, and Yuba	\$358,000
San Joaquin Valley	Fresno, Kern, Kings, Madera, Merced, San Joaquin, San Luis Obispo, Stanislaus, and Tulare	\$716,000
San Francisco Bay Area	Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, Monterey, Napa, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Solano, Sonoma, and San Benito	\$422,000
Northern Area	Del Norte, Humboldt, Lake, Lassen, Mendocino, Modoc, Nevada, Plumas, Siskiyou, Trinity, and Sierra	\$300,000
Central Sierra	Alpine, Amador, Calaveras, Inyo, Mariposa, Mono, and Tuolumne	\$300,000