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San Francisco's Food Scraps Recovery and Composting Programs and Policies



2020 Goal 

Zero Waste

To Landfill
To Incineration

Highest and Best Use of Food Scraps

Food Recovery Hierarchy



- Source Reduction
- Feed Hungry People
- Feed Animals
- Industrial Uses
- Composting
- Incineration or Landfill



Zero Waste Strategy

- Establish convenient source separation programs
- Conduct extensive outreach
- Provide generator & service provider incentives
- Adopt policies and enforce
- Develop advanced processing and new markets







Office Building Restroom Paper Towel & Tenant Area Composting



Targeted Door-to-Door Outreach



City Department & Commercial Assistance



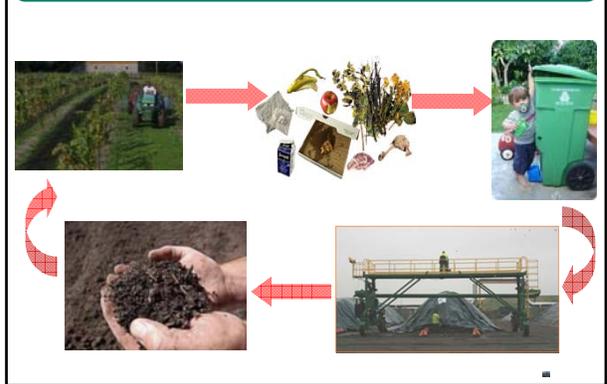
School Composting Engages Students



Special Events



Organics Loop



Compost For Healthy Produce & Wine



Mandatory Recycling and Composting (2009)



Mandatory Recycling and Composting

- Property owners pay for adequate refuse service
- Property, food vendor and event managers provide convenient, color-coded, labeled bins and training
- Everyone separate recyclables, compostables and trash
- Non-compliance subject to fines, property liens, and rate surcharges

Bin Audit

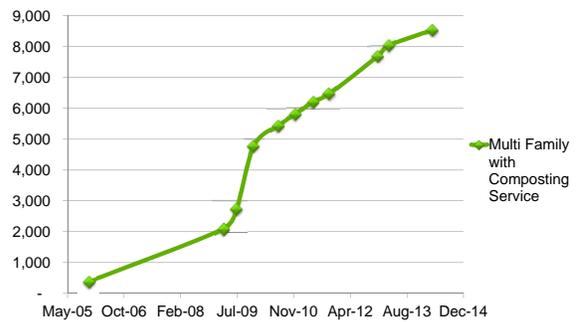


Direct Feedback



Apartment Buildings Composting

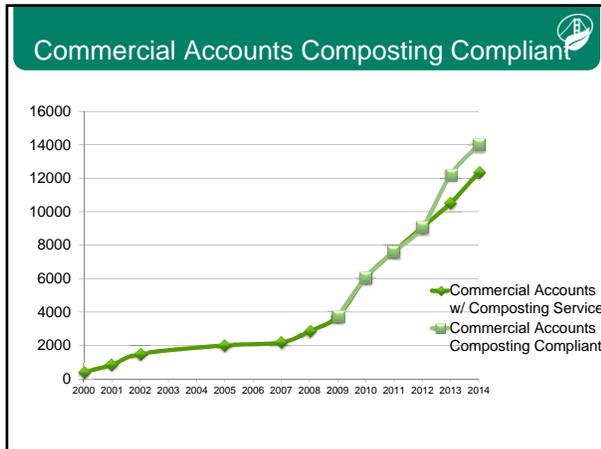
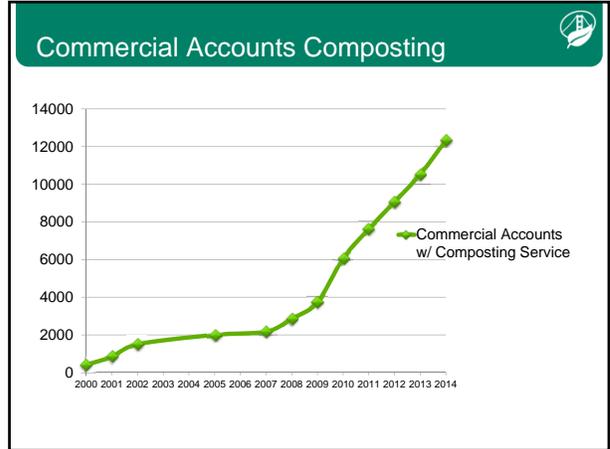
Multi Family with Composting Service



Residential Sector

- 350,000 households (150K SF, 200K MF)
- 8700 apartment buildings
- 99% have recycling
- 98% have composting





Commercial Sector

- 90,000 business
- 16,000 accounts
- 92% recycling compliant
- 87% composting compliant





Food Scraps Anaerobic Digestion



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Thank You

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