

**The Environment Council of Rhode Island
And
The University of RI's Outreach Center Present**

The 2015 Rhode Island Compost Conference and Trade Show

University of Rhode Island, Center for Biotechnology and Life Sciences
Kingston, Rhode Island

Monday, March 16, 2015

Sponsored By:

[The Compost Plant](#)

Agenda

8:30 am Registration, Coffee and Compost Conversation

9:00 am Morning Plenary

Scott Woods, founder and CEO of [Sustainable Generation](#) – *Lessons Learned From Small & Large Scale Food Waste and Bio-solids Composting Facilities in the United States.*

10:05 am – 11:00 am Workshops - Session 1

- ◆ Dr. Robert Rafka – The Chemistry of Compost.
- ◆ Michael Bradlee, President of Earth Appliance, Providence, RI – *Small-Scale Composting.*
- ◆ Anwar Shareef, [Orbit Energy](#) – *Anaerobic Digestion & Orbit's Efforts to Build an Anaerobic Digester in Johnston, RI.*
- ◆ Joe Carney, Catering Manager, Roger Williams University, Bristol, RI – *Current Practices Dealing With Food Scrap on Campus.*

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11:10 am – 12:05 pm Workshops - Session 2

- ◆ John Barth and Sam Fox, [EarthCare Farm](#), Charlestown, RI – *Sharing Their Experiences as Rhode Island's Oldest Operating Farm Composter.*
- ◆ Students from [The Greene School](#), West Greenwich, RI – *Developing a school-wide composting program.*
- ◆ Krystal Noiseux of [RIRRC](#) and Christine Beling of [USEPA](#) – *Implementing the "Food Too Good to Waste" program.*
- ◆ Nancy Warner, Co-founder, [The Worm Ladies](#) – *Creating a Vermiculture Cooperative in Rhode Island.*

12:10 pm – 1:45 pm Box Lunch & Trade Show

Exhibitors currently include: [RI Resource Recovery Corporation](#), Earth Appliance, [The Compost Plant](#), [Sustainable Generation](#), [SCS Engineers](#) and the [URI Outreach Center's Master Composters](#).

1:55 pm – 3:00 pm Afternoon Plenary

Panel Discussion – *Implementing the New Compost Laws and Regulations & Where Do We Go From Here?*

Panelists Include:

- RI State Senator V. Susan Sosnowski, Chair of the RI Senate's Environment & Agriculture Committee.
- Christopher Shafer, [RIDEM](#), Division of Waste Management.
- Leo Pollock, Co-owner, The Compost Plant.