



IFSC 2016 Annual Report

- First IFSC Board Meeting held on January 6th, 2016
 - 2016 Board Members, Executive Officers
 - Mary Allen - SWANCC (1-year term)
 - Josh Connell - Lakeshore (2)
 - Gary Cuneen - SGA (2)
 - Andi Dierich - DuPage (2)
 - Lynn Herlien - Compost Supply (1)
 - Jennifer Jarland - Kane Co (2) - **Secretary**
 - Stephanie Katsaros - BrightBeat (1)
 - Christopher Lipman - Cook Co (2)
 - Kay McKeen - SCARCE (2)
 - Jen Nelson - SGA (1)
 - Dean Olson - Will (1)
 - Sara Ryan - St. Louis Composting (1) - **Vice Chair**
 - Dave VanVooren - SWANCC (2) - **Treasurer**
 - Jen Walling - IEC (1)
 - Walter Willis - SWALCO (2) - Chairman
- IFSC Board signs fiscal agent agreement with Seven Generations Ahead
- Bylaws created
- Incorporated as a Not For Profit Corporation (NFP 102.10)
- New Administrative Coordinator hired starting April 2016 – Jennifer Jarland
- Supporting Membership and Sustaining Partnership Forms and Benefits documents created and posted on Join page and paid membership campaign begins
- Chicago Community Trust Grant secured for 5 key project components
 - Report Dissemination: Illinois Food Scrap Composting Challenges and Solutions
 - Strategy Forums and Webinar
 - Composting Pilot: West Loop and Medical District
 - Economic Assessment on Advancing Illinois' Food Scrap Composting Industry
 - Education Campaign on the Benefits of Compost
- Policy:
 - HB 5530 - Amends the Procurement Code, so that a public entity shall not enter into a contract to purchase food with a bidder or offeror if the bidder's or offeror's contract



terms prohibit the public entity from donating food to food banks, including, but not limited to, homeless shelters, food pantries, and soup kitchens. Amends the School Code to make a similar change. However they have not been able to find contract that opposes food donation so still working on it, not sure if it will run or not

- municipal ordinance for urban and community gardens
- Reached over 700 likes on [Facebook](#), 330 [Twitter](#) Followers and 130 [LinkedIn](#) members, and initiated an [Instagram](#) account
- Four Forums facilitated:
 - **July 11th, 2016**; Cook County, Chicago [View Presentation](#)
 - Policy Deep Dive: Universal Recycling and Composting Law: Statewide infrastructure/ statewide policy overview
 - **October 4th, 2016**; DuPage/Kane County [View Presentation](#)
 - Policy Deep Dive: Impact of PAYT and Organics Drop Off in Illinois
 - **October 24th, 2016**; Northern Cook County [View Presentation](#)
 - Policy Deep Dive: Organics Diversion Goals
 - **November 10th, 2016**; Lake County, College of Lake County [View Presentation](#)
 - Policy Deep Dive: Compost Processor Permitting and Organics Ride Along Programs
- IFSC Presentations given and tabling events:
 - 3/13/16 Go Green Wilmette
 - 4/20/16 table at Elgin Sustainability Expo
 - 4/29/16 table at Lake County Green, College of Lake County
 - 5/10/16 Presentation at Living Earth, National Garden Club, IL Beach State Park
 - 5/21/16 table with Will County at Bluestem event
 - 9/29/16 Presentation at Chicago Sustainability Task Force meeting
 - 10/16/16 Presentation at Tennessee Recycling Coalition Conference
 - 11/3/16 ILCSWMA Conference, Starved Rock (IFSC session)
 - 11/6-9/16 - PACK EXPO International
 - 11/12/16 - IEC table at the Go Green Northbrook Food Waste Fair
- We Compost grows to 131 Partners



- Paid membership raises \$7,500
 - 80 paid members - 19 individual members, 30 organization members, Silver Partners (SWANCC, NatureWorks), and Gold Partners (SCARCE)