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- SGA secures DCEO Grant for IFSC work
- Five State-wide Forums facilitated to provide discussion on policies and strategies related to landfill diversion and food scrap composting and gain input from key stakeholders ( haulers, composters, key policy makers, government agencies, solid waste agencies, food scrap generators, etc.), were made possible by a DCEO Grant
  - May 2, 2014 – Northeast Illinois - University of Illinois-Chicago, Cook County
  - September 16, 2014 – Northwest Illinois - Wheaton, DuPage County, Cantigny Park
  - September 22, 2014 – Central Illinois - Champaign, Champaign County, Champaign Public Library
  - October 6, 2014 – Southern Illinois - Edwardsville, Madison County, Lewis & Clark Community College, Nelson Campus
  - October 22, 2014 Wrap Up Session – North-Central Illinois, Parke Regency, Bloomington/Normal
- Loyola University grant supports creation of IFSC website
- Online presence with website and resources, social media and events calendar
- “I Compost Because” Facebook awareness campaign
- Food Scrap Toolkit with Spotlights and FAQs to promote food scrap composting in commercial food establishments, with a focus on large-quantity producers of food scraps, such as grocery stores and restaurants.
- We Compost Recognition Program for businesses and schools that commercially compost, by year end 99 partners registered
- Google Map of We Compost program participants created
- Government and Construction Factsheet on compost use and benefits
- Executive Summary of Recommendations for the Advancement of Food Scrap Composting submitted to Illinois Recycling Task Force
- Pumpkin Composting events begin, Tool Kit developed by SCARCE
- Article published in BioCycle Magazine: State Coalition Advances Food Scraps Diversion, September 2014
- Presented at Illinois Recycling and Resource Management Conference in June 2014
Coalition grows to over 150 members