

1) Who do we want to educate? (and about what?)

- Residents
 - Pretty much everyone operates some kind of residential service
 - Focus on how to keep streams clean
 - 1-pager on difference between backyard and commercial composting
 - Should we focus on food waste reduction?
 - Offer a course on backyard composting?
- Municipalities
 - Public private partnerships
 - Benefits of composting service for community
 - Benefits of using compost in community
- Courses for composters
 - Midwest compost school? - hire out for that?
 - Iowa hires them
 - What would accreditation look like for us to do it ourselves?
 - Probably too much for the first year or so
 - Focus on how to turn a yard facility into a food scraps facility
 - ILSR(?) has some great resources on this
 - Helps for composters and municipalities both
- First course idea: "how to utilize finished compost"
- Best way to educate through municipalities
 - Train municipalities to then train their community
 - A lot of composters work with municipalities directly, not all work with residents directly
 - Municipalities not composting correctly, not using good processes
 - Need to focus on yard waste before we can even discuss food waste
- Is there a gap or benefit in this group to focus on the importance of composting
 - 220 licensed yard waste sites (muni, shared, or county)
- DNR right now using SWIFR funding to figure out food waste composting in state
 - Asking for barriers
 - She will be sharing those with us within the next month or two
- What are other USCC chapters doing?
- Perhaps a municipal composting playbook
 - Where are they at?
 - Yard waste sites that aren't composting the best
 - Improving that how?
 - Then getting them to talk about food scraps at a small scale
 - How to educate residents and encourage backyard composting
 - What is the goal of a municipal composting program
 - What to do with finished compost
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2) What are our goals?

- Financial for org?

- Growth of industry in WI?
- Promotion of some form of composting?

3) Operator Education:

- Where?
- Who can host?
- Who can teach? Who is qualified?
- Continuing Education Credits?
- How do we compensate?

4) Other items for this time?

5) Create next steps for next meeting/interim